

April 14th, 2021

To: The Joint Committee on Ways and Means
From: Brenda Dengo
Re: Childcare funding and support of HB 3073

Dear Co-Chairs Johnson, Steiner Hayward, and Rayfield; and Members of the Committee:

My name is Brenda Dengo, resident of Beaverton, OR and I thank you for your continued work in our community.

I am here in support of fully funding the ERDC program and HB 3073 which would support one co-pay authority when seeking reimbursements from agencies with qualifying families. Because I often struggle to get paid for my ERDC clients. I also need to be paid more. That is why I support fully funding HB 3073.

However, I would also encourage you to fund/expand the qualifying perimeters. I have a client who has custody of his grandson who does not qualify for subsidy because he is a school bus driver. He makes too much at \$2400/ month. Please help make child care affordable for all with this bill.

Sincerely,

Brenda Dengo