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**To:** Education Subcommittee

**From:** Julie Neburka, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Date:** June 6, 2023

**Subject:** HB 2683 – Relating to child eligibility to participate in Employment Related Day Care Subsidy program  
Work Session Recommendations

The Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) program provides subsidized access to child care for families with working parents. House Bill 2683 directs the Early Learning Council to expand access to the ERDC program to families by establishing eligibility criteria that separately assess household income; employment status; involvement with child welfare and related services; usage of homelessness, teen parent, or domestic violence services; and any other additional criteria established by the council. By July 1, 2025, the Early Learning Council must establish eligibility criteria based on household income and employment status. By July 1, 2027, the council must establish eligibility criteria based on the child's or child's family's use or risk of use of support or intervention services.

System updates, rulemaking, and internal policy development are the focus for the 2023-25 biennium. Rulemaking and policy development will have a minimal impact to the Department of Early Learning and Care (DELIC) as well as the Department of Human Services (DHS). Due to rulemaking timelines, children using or at risk of using intervention or preventative services will receive subsidies after July 1, 2027.

### **Recommended Changes**

LFO recommends adoption of the –A3 amendment, which appropriates \$1,830,240 General Fund to the Department of Early Learning and Care (DELIC) to pass through to the Department of Human Services (DHS). Other Funds expenditure limitation is increased in the same amount in the DHS budget to receive these funds and use them to pay for updates to the ONE Eligibility system required by the measure. Additionally, for new staff required in the Office of Information Services - a program jointly used by both DHS and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) - \$313,407 General Fund and \$313,406 Federal Funds expenditure limitation is provided to DHS. Other Funds expenditure limitation of \$626,811, in addition to \$7,843 General Fund and \$7,843 Federal Funds is established in OHA's budget for the cost of new positions in the

Office of Information Services.

**MOTION: I move adoption of the –A3 amendment to HB 2683. (VOTE)**

**Final Subcommittee Action**

LFO recommends that HB 2683, as amended by the –A3 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

**MOTION: I move HB 2683, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)**

**Carriers**

Full Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

House Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

Senate Floor: \_\_\_\_\_