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Co-Chairs Bynum and Sollman, Members of the Committee,

I would like you to consider the provisions of the CHIPS Act relating to child care and housing in order to attract more women to the workforce. The following quotation comes from a New York Times article about the provisions of the CHIPS act, "Companies that receive chip subsidies to build new plants will be able to use some of the funding to meet the new child care requirement. That could include building company child care centers near construction sites or new plants, paying local child care providers to add capacity at an affordable cost for workers, directly subsidizing workers' care costs or other, similar steps that would ensure workers have access to care for their children."

Oregon could make this a requirement in order to receive state support and funding. It is not enough to provide education for workers, we need education and day care for the children of the workers too.