

HB 3028 EITC

Vice Chair Sanchez and members of the committee:

The Oregon Women's Rights Coalition supports expanding the EITC including raises to three levels for families. We are supporting this program because we know how important the EITC is not only families, but communities.

Families that are working but still struggle to put food on the table and provide for their families spend their EITC refund on items that are important to their family's economic security.

EITC spending is especially important in our more rural areas where the income levels do not match those of the metro areas in our state. The spending at the local grocery store, auto repair shop or retail store through the EITC help keep those small businesses stable.

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