

The 2019 legislature can improve economic security for 900,000 Oregonians by enacting HB 2139-1/HB 3028, a bill to renew and raise the Oregon Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

The EITC is a common sense tax credit for working families

- It encourages and rewards employment: you must work to earn the credit.
- It recognizes that many jobs don't pay enough to meet basic necessities: the credit boosts income for **900,000 Oregonians** one in every five.
- Because of its effectiveness, the credit has long enjoyed bipartisan support both in Congress and the Oregon legislature.

The EITC boosts Oregon's economy

- It helps workers keep a job, better affording work essentials such as transportation.
- It lowers use of public assistance.
- It decreases recidivism.
- Dollars are spent locally, generating economic activity in Oregon communities.

The EITC helps Oregon students succeed

- The credit supports 4 of every 10 Oregon children, fostering:
 - Improved health;
 - Better school performance;
 - Higher rates of graduation and college attendance; and
 - Higher earnings as adults.

HB 2139-1/HB 3028 renews and raises the Oregon EITC

- The Oregon EITC is set to expire in 2020. Now is the time to renew it.
- HB 2139-1/HB 3028 improves the credit by raising it to 20 percent of the federal tax credit, putting Oregon on par with other states.
- The bill gives an enhanced credit of 25 percent to families with kids under age 3.
- It makes the credit more equitable by extending it to all workers who file a tax return and meet the income threshold, including those who file with an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).

HB 2139-1/HB 3028 puts Oregon's credit on par with others





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HB 2139-1/HB 3028 makes the Oregon **EITC work better for working families**

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Endorsers

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- **AFSCME** Council 75
- American Association of University Women of Oregon
- Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon (APANO)
- CASA of Oregon
- **CASH** Oregon
- Causa
- Central City Concern
- Children First
- Coalition of Communities of Color
- COFA Alliance National Network
- Community Action Partnership of Oregon
- Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
- Family Forward Oregon
- Habitat for Humanity of Oregon
- Healthy Kids Learn Better Coalition
- Human Services Coalition of Oregon
- League of Women Voters of Oregon
- Main Street Alliance
- Metropolitan Family Service
- Multnomah County
- NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon
- NEDCO/Willamette Neighborhood **Housing Services**

- Neighborhood Partnerships
- **Open Adoption & Family Services**
- Oregon AFL-CIO
- Oregon Business & Industry
- Oregon Business Council
- Oregon Center for Public Policy
- Oregon Food Bank
- **Oregon Housing Alliance**
- Oregon Law Center
- Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens
- Oregon Women's Rights Coalition
- Partners for Hunger-Free Oregon
- Peace Health
- Portland Community College
- Portland General Electric
- Providence Health & Services
- SEIU 503
- United Seniors of Oregon
- Urban League of Portland

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