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Development

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Thank you for creating the time to prioritizing the legacy of dedication behind HB 3011. This bill recognizes the urgency in the childcare workforce and the essential role that child care providers, educators, and advocates play in the larger economic climate of our State. HB 3011 places value in the pathway toward professional care and education for those who provide essential services to our youngest and most vulnerable members of society. With your support, this Bill will allow leaders in higher education to prioritize the professional preparation for those who care for children during the most critical years of development: birth through age 5. By partnering and empowering Oregon's universities and community colleges, you will allow for consistent efforts to recruit, retain, and graduate professionals who are prepared to meet the needs of our community.