

EITC Work Group Discussion

Tuesday, November 14 at 1:00 pm

Webinar link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89246302766>

Attendees

Representatives: Willford, Vigil, Epps, Parenti, Froelich, Dickson, Bird, Young, Brown

Senator: Kolker

Staff: Sarah Regan, Karlin Gray

Meeting Minutes

- **1:04 pm** Representative Willford opened the meeting and shared that she and Senator Kolker pulled a bill title for EITC following the previous EITC discussion on 11/10. She said that there appears to be broad consensus on flattening TABOR rebates and expanding EITC but that other policies pulling from the TABOR surplus will help inform the percentage available for EITC.
- Representative Willford opened the conversation for questions and discussion.
- Representative Epps asked what range the Governor might support.
- Representative Willford expressed the need to balance an expanded EITC with strong TABOR refunds and rental assistance. She shared her desire for 50% and that she believes 38% is the floor.
- Representative Parenti shared a desire that tax credits treat heads of households the same as married people instead of single people. Representative Willford responded that the federal guidance for EITC and the scope of the Governor's call may not permit this change.
- A discussion began around how individual members can best support the policy moving forward, which included the opportunity to cosponsor the introduced bill.
- Members discussed the possibility of bipartisan support which may be hampered by expected GOP opposition of any policy pulling from the TABOR surplus.
- Representative Willford said she hopes to have a bill draft to circulate Wednesday evening.

- Members discussed the need for outside support and data, including the demographic note for HB23-1112, to support the policy moving forward.
- **1:26 pm** Meeting adjourned