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I support HB 89
under certain circumstances.

I do think there is value in this bill, but the cost of the tax credits or grant must not outweigh the debt placed upon the state.

A child or parent must not be expelled or rejected for belief differences. The eligibility should also be determined by other criteria federally regulated not just a dollar amount. The child care center or giver must be qualified.

We need good qualified child care givers, not child care that is bad. It is hard enough now to find quality home health attendants for adults. Children are even that much more challenging. Having lowered standards of child care givers or centers will set everyone up for failure, especially the child. We all want reasonable and workable solutions. My greatest concern is seeing the use of public funds being used towards religious organizations seeking to set up child care centers or pre-k educational [programs](#). As long as there are no public funds going towards religious organizations, I support it, otherwise, I do not.

Thank you
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