

Testimony before the Finance Revenue and Bonding Committee
Re: S.B. 1007 – An Act Concerning the Governor’s Recommendation on Revenues
Testimony in Support of a State Earned Income Tax Credit
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The time has come for Connecticut to implement a state EITC. As the Human Services Director of one of Connecticut’s economically distressed municipalities I know that the implementation of a state EITC would have a significant impact on the long term economic well being of our low-income wage earners and on our local and state economy.

I witness on a daily basis the severe hardships working moms and dads endure in their effort to maintain their housing and put food on the table for their children. Implementation of a state EITC would truly mean that our lowest paid hard working residents could count on some well earned extra income to pay for needed groceries, a medical bill or an overdue oil bill and our struggling local businesses would certainly benefit from the sale of additional goods and services.