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HB25-1037 Income Tax Credit for Eligible Teachers

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Angelica Prisciliano For Colorado Statewide Parent Coalition	<p>Thank you House Finance Committee for the opportunity to deliver our written testimony today,</p> <p>My name is Angelica Prisciliano, I testify on behalf of the Colorado Statewide Parent Coalition and our family and provider community groups VOZ and Grupos de Lucha. CSPC mission is to support families and childcare providers to become the best advocates in education for their children and the children they care for. We ask that you vote in support of SB25-1037 to create the Income Tax Credit for Eligible Teachers.</p> <p>Colorado Teachers wear many hats and often make expenses our of their own pockets to provide the best education to the kids in their classroom. They witness struggling families that cannot always afford their back-to-school materials and often struggle themselves to make it to the end of month with the rising costs of living and stagnant teacher wages.</p> <p>Teachers often pay for materials and snacks to make their classroom more welcoming and functional for their students, spending hundreds of dollars a year to provide high quality education. A teacher like Saira from Aurora spends around \$600.00 a year from her own pocket to buy books in Spanish for her second language learner students and other educational materials to support the kids in her classroom who need more assistance in her Title I school. We hope that this tax credit can alleviate some of the financial burden Colorado teachers like Saira carry without a second thought. We also ask that this body considers implementing tax policy changes that can sustain permanent investments in education that go beyond 2027, and support teachers, schools, and families provide the best education experience for our Colorado children.</p> <p>Thank you for your time, please vote YES on SB25-1037</p>