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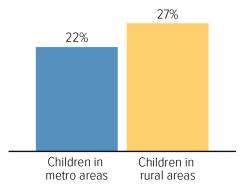
## Pass the bipartisan Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act (H.R. 7024)

The Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act expands the CTC and decreases child poverty in a bipartisan win for families. The Senate should pass it quickly.

The Child Tax Credit (CTC) supports families to raise happy and healthy children. It has a long bipartisan history dating back to its creation in 1997. Now, Congress has the chance to build on that bipartisan legacy by expanding the CTC to support families with low incomes. The *Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act* passed the House of Representatives with a strong vote of 357-70. The Senate should follow suit quickly to ensure that families receive the expanded credit during the current tax season.

## Bipartisan Child Tax Credit Expansion Would Help More Than a Quarter of Children in Rural Areas in First Year

Percent of children who would benefit



Note: Under Office of Management and Budget's 2015 delineations, metro areas are generally defined as cities of 50,000 or more people and surrounding counties that contain or are strongly connected to that city by commuting. All other areas are considered non-metro. We use rural and non-metro interchangeably.

Source: CBPP analysis of 2015 IRS Statistics of Income Public Use File and U.S. Census Bureau's 2017-2019 American Community Survey, using 2023 tax parameters; and Missouri Census Data Center's Geocorr 2018 application.

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The reason the tax bill has such broad bipartisan support is clear. It will reduce the number of children in poverty by 500,000 and benefit 16 million children in families who do not currently receive the full CTC. This is especially true in rural areas where families tend to have more children and lower wages (see graph on the right).

Conservative and progressive organizations alike, such as the <u>Tax Foundation</u>, <u>Americans for Tax Reform</u>, <u>Niskanen Center</u>, <u>Center on Budget and Policy Priorities</u>, and <u>Coalition on Human Needs</u>, all agree that this is a good policy and should become law.

RESULTS firmly believes that the CTC should be provided to all children from families with low incomes. This bill falls well short of that. However, it is a good step in the right direction that corrects some of the inequities in the current credit. Families across the nation need the support that this bill provides.

RESULTS urges you to pass the Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act and speak to Senate leadership to ensure it receives a vote as soon as possible. We also urge you to oppose any changes or amendments to the bill that would restrict access to the CTC.

We hope the Senate will follow the House's lead and pass this legislation with a large bipartisan vote. In a divided political environment, Americans need to see that Congress can work together to better the lives of children and families.