

HR 782

Reignite Hope Act of 2025

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. James, John [R-MI-10]

Party: Republican • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** House

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill establishes a new nonrefundable personal tax credit (for three years) of \$3,500 for critical employees. The bill also increases and makes other changes to the child tax credit.

Under the bill, a *critical employee* is defined as an individual who works full-time for at least 75% of the tax year (as certified by such individual's employer) as a

- healthcare professional,
- law enforcement officer,
- member of a rescue squad or ambulance crew,
- firefighter,
- eligible child care provider,
- family child care provider, or
- personal or homecare aid.

Further, under the bill, such individual's primary place of employment for the majority of hours worked during the tax year must be in a qualified opportunity zone. (A qualified opportunity zone is an economically distressed community where new investments may be eligible for certain tax preferences.)

This bill increases the child tax credit from \$2,000 per qualifying child to \$3,500 per qualifying child (or \$4,500 per qualifying child under six years old).

The bill also

- increases the age limit of a qualifying child to 17 years old (from 16 years old),
- extends the threshold at which the child tax credit begins to phase out (\$200,000 for single taxpayers or \$400,000 for married taxpayers filing jointly),
- extends the child tax credit identification requirements applicable to qualifying children, and
- increases the refundable portion of the child tax credit for certain taxpayers with fewer than three qualifying children.

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