

MEMBER: Barry Erwin PROPOSAL# Erwin #11 REFERRED TO AG on: _____
 SUBJECT: DSS - EITC Program DATE REPORTED BY AG: _____ REPORT: _____
 COMMISSION ACTION: _____ DATE: _____

RECOMMENDATION: Department of Social Services eliminate the Earned Income Tax Credit technical support program since it is not within the core competency of DSS.

Summary Description/Nature of Change	Key/Implementation Responsibilities	Need	Action Needed	Benefit/Saving	Done/ Study
DSS eliminate the EITC technical support program since it is not within the core competency of DSS.	DSS	The EITC is a refundable credit that is available to certain individuals and families who have low-to-moderate levels of earned income and are taking care of at least one or two minor children. DSS contracts with various community-based organizations to assist individuals and families that qualify for EITC complete their tax returns. DSS identified this program as a "poor performing program(s) within [their] agency that should be eliminated." DSS indicated that they are working with Dept. of Revenue to provide such services.	May need amendment to state plan for Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant.	DSS budgets \$1.2M of their federal TANF grant for contracts with community-based organizations to provide this service and estimates same in savings if program is eliminated.	Commission's work is done with recommendation.