

Senate Proposal Cuts \$1.3 Billion from Governor DeWine’s Kids Budget

Governor DeWine delivered for families. The Senate just delivered cuts.

Families are doing everything they can to stay afloat, stay strong, and hold things together—even while lawmakers are cutting the support they need.

Governor DeWine’s Executive Budget for FY26-27 made bold, transformative investments in early learning and child care, maternal and infant health, and a new state Child Tax Credit to support young children and working families. In stark contrast, the Ohio Senate’s proposal fails to meet the moment—it does not include a Child Tax Credit, fails to make critical investments in early childhood programs or essential health services, and disinvests in child care and the health care of Ohio’s youngest children.

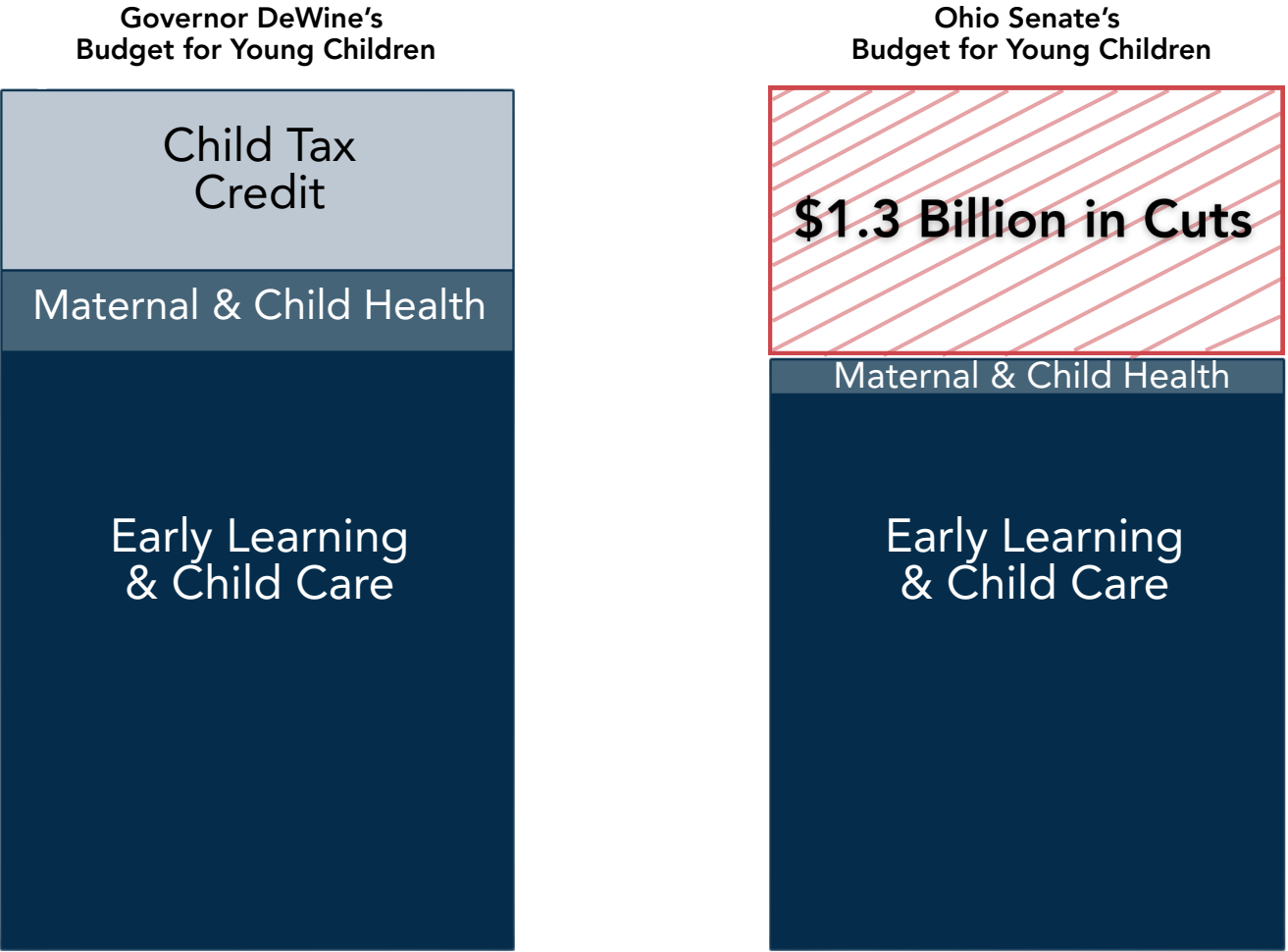


Chart above reflects proposed investments from both the Executive and Senate versions of the FY26-27 budget, specific to the following line aggregated items:

- Child Tax Credit:**
Executive Total: \$890,000,000
Senate Total: \$0

 - Child Tax Credit (COMP DOC TAXCD61)
- Maternal & Young Child Health:**
Executive Total: \$400,247,712
Senate Total: \$171,500,000

 - Tobacco Use Prevention, Cessation, and Enforcement (DOH 440656)
 - Children's Vision Program (DOH 440496)
 - Children's Dental Program (DOH 440497)
 - Lead Abatement (DOH 440527)
 - Lead-Safe Home Fund Program (DOH 440530)
 - Lead Abatement Tax Credit (COMP DOC DOHCD26)
 - Help Me Grow (KID 830403)
 - Infant Vitality (KID 830404)
 - Continuous Coverage for Children 0 to 3 (COMP DOC MCD41)
- Early Learning & Child Care:**
Executive Total: \$2,934,289,960
Senate Total: \$2,726,358,818

 - Child Care (KID 830604)
 - TANF Block Grant (KID 830605)
 - Early Care and Education Learning Standards (KID 830409)
 - Child Care State/Maintenance of Effort (KID 830400)
 - Part-C Early Intervention (KID 830405)
 - Early Childhood Education (KID 830407)
 - Imagination Library (KID 830411)
 - Early Care and Education (KID 830500)