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NOTICE OF MEETINGS

On Thursday, March 22, 2007, the Little Hoover Commission will conduct a public hearing on California's career technical education programs. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. in Room 4203 of the State Capitol in Sacramento.

This is the first of two planned hearings as part of the Commission's review of California's career technical education (CTE) system. The Commission is reviewing CTE programs to identify reforms that will improve student and public outcomes. This hearing will provide a broad assessment of current CTE programs and funding in California. Witnesses will discuss opportunities for expanding CTE programs to reduce high school dropout rates and develop a well-prepared workforce. A complete agenda is on the reverse.

There will be an opportunity for public comment at the end of the hearing. The Commission also encourages written comments.

Also, the Career Technical Education Subcommittee of the Little Hoover Commission will meet on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, from 2 until 4 p.m. in the Legislative Counsel Conference Room located on the lower level of 925 L Street, Sacramento. The subcommittee will discuss career technical education in California with subject matter experts.

The Health Care Subcommittee of the Little Hoover Commission will meet on Thursday, March 22, 2007, following the public hearing at approximately 3 p.m. in the Legislative Counsel Conference Room located on the lower level of 925 L Street, Sacramento. The subcommittee will discuss what it has learned from the Commission's public hearings and meetings on health care in California.

The Commission also will meet for dinner on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. at California Fat's Restaurant, 1015 Front Street, Old Sacramento.

All public notices for meetings are on the Commission's Web site, www.lhc.ca.gov. If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Stuart Drown at (916) 445-2125 or littlehoover@lhc.ca.gov by Thursday, March 15, 2007.



State of California

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Public Hearing on Career Technical Education
Thursday, March 22, 2007
State Capitol, Room 4203
Sacramento

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Public Hearing: 9 a.m.

The State of Education: Career Technical Education

1. Jack O'Connell, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Career Technical Education - Perspective from the Governor's Office

2. Scott Himmelstein, Acting Secretary of Education

Career Technical Education - Multiple Pathways

3. Gary Hoachlander, President, ConnectEd: The California Center for College and Career

Panel: Career Technical Education - Economy-Driven Perspective

4. Dorothy Rothrock, Vice President, Government Relations, California Manufacturers & Technology Association
5. Christopher J. Walker, Legislative Advocate, Nossaman, Guthner, Knox, Elliott, LLP

Public comment will be taken at the end of the hearing. All written testimony submitted electronically is posted on the Commission's Web site at www.lhc.ca.gov.

Business Meeting Agenda

(The Commission will consider agenda items I-VI at approximately noon. The precise time will vary depending upon the testimony of witnesses and will be determined at the discretion of the chair.)

- I. Election of Officers
- II. Business Meeting Minutes from February 22, 2007
- III. Schedule/Project Selection
- IV. Subcommittee Reports
- V. Implementation Activity
- VI. Reports from Bureau of State Audits