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NOTICE OF MEETING - REVISED

On Thursday, February 25, 2010, the Little Hoover Commission will conduct a public hearing on the state's charter school system. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. in Room 437 of the State Capitol in Sacramento. **The Commission will hold its business meeting immediately following the hearing. The location of the business meeting has changed from the State Capitol to the Legislative Counsel Conference Room in the lower level of 925 L Street in Sacramento.**

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In this study, the Commission is examining the governance structure of the state's charter school system as well as the authority and oversight functions of the charter authorizing agencies. The Commission also will examine the criteria for charter school renewal and issues of financing charter school facilities. At this hearing, the Commission will discuss how the state can better hold charter schools accountable.

The Commission will hear a panel from the Los Angeles Unified School District who will discuss the district's public school choice resolution which allows independent entities to submit proposals to operate LAUSD schools, as well as the work of the district's Innovation and Charter Schools Division which authorizes and oversees the district's 161 charter schools. A representative from the California Teachers Association will share with the Commission the impact the state's growth in charter schools has had on teachers. A member of the State Board of Education will discuss governance and policy issues related to the board's role as charter school authorizer and the court of last resort in the charter school appellate process. Finally, the chair of the Senate Education Committee has been invited to discuss Race to the Top legislation as well as other key legislative reforms related to charter schools.

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

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**Public Hearing on Charter Schools
Thursday, February 25, 2010
State Capitol, Room 437
Sacramento**

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Public Hearing: 9 a.m.

LAUSD Public School Choice Resolution

1. Parker Hudnut, Executive Director, Innovation and Charter Schools Division, Los Angeles Unified School District
2. Yolie Flores, Vice President, Los Angeles Unified School District, Board of Education

California Teachers Association Perspective

3. Jennifer Baker, Legislative Advocate, California Teachers Association

The Role of the State Board of Education

4. Johnathan Williams, Member, State Board of Education

Business Meeting Agenda

(The Commission will consider agenda items I-VI at approximately 12:30 p.m. in the Legislative Council Conference Room, located in the lower level of 925 L Street in Sacramento. The precise time will vary depending upon the testimony of witnesses and will be determined at the discretion of the chair.)

- I. Business Meeting Minutes from January 28, 2010
- II. Draft Report – Economic Development
- III. Schedule/Project Selection
- IV. Subcommittee Reports
- V. Implementation Activity
- VI. Reports from Bureau of State Audits