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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

On Thursday, August 27, 2009, the Little Hoover Commission will conduct a public hearing on the state's economic development activities. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. in Room 437 of the State Capitol in Sacramento.

In this study, the Commission will examine whether the state's economic development offices overlap or leverage other federal, state and local programs. At this hearing, the Commission will learn how the state's current economic development activities are organized, coordinated and marketed.

The Commission will hear from the Public Policy Institute of California about local perceptions and demand concerning state economic development assistance. The deputy secretary for economic development and commerce of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency will discuss the function and coordination of the state's various economic development organizations. The executive officers of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation and the East Bay Economic Development Alliance will share ideas about the state's role in economic development from the local perspective. A member of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley will talk about building a regional governance model for economic development in California.

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

All public notices for meetings are on the Commission's Web site, [www.lhc.ca.gov](http://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](mailto:littlehoover@lhc.ca.gov) by Thursday, August 20, 2009.



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**Public Hearing on Economic Development  
Thursday, August 27, 2009  
State Capitol, Room 437  
Sacramento**

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**Public Hearing: 9 a.m.**

***Identifying Demand for the State's Role in Economic Development***

1. Max Neiman, Associate Director, Public Policy Institute of California

***Assessing the State's Coordination of Economic Development Activities***

2. Brian McGowan, Deputy Secretary for Economic Development and Commerce, Business, Transportation and Housing Agency

***Defining the State's Role in Economic Development***

3. William "Bill" Allen, President and Chief Executive Officer, Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation
4. Bruce Kern, Executive Director, East Bay Economic Development Alliance

***Building a Regional Model for Economic Development in California***

5. Peter E. Weber, member, California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley

**Business Meeting Agenda**

***(The Commission will consider agenda items I-V at approximately 12:30 p.m. 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 June 25, 2009
- II. Schedule/Project Selection
- III. Subcommittee Reports
- IV. Implementation Activity
- V. Reports from Bureau of State Audits