

September 28, 2010

The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT for performance-based management and budgeting, greater program oversight, and changing the annual budget to a multiyear spending plan (as were reflected in SB 1020 & SB 1426 from the 2009-2010 Legislative Session)

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

We write to convey our strong support for legislation that would improve the way the California state budget is crafted by enacting performance-based management and budgeting, greater program oversight, and changing the annual budget to a multiyear spending plan. These provisions were included in **SB 1426 (Wolk)** and **SB 1040 (DeSaulnier)**, introduced in the 2009-2010 legislative session.

As you work to finalize the 2011 budget agreement, we sincerely hope you will be able to include these provisions. They are non-partisan, common sense reforms that apply best practices from successful businesses, local governments and other states and would improve the way the state manages our money.

California needs spending plans that invest in the state's future and use budget expenditures to improve program performance. The below organizations support these provisions because they will put the state's budget on this course. California's fiscal system is on life support. These reforms can help, and we are eager to work with you to make their implementation a success.

Thank you for your consideration of this critical issue.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

State Building & Construction Trades Council
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AARP
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The Campaign for College Opportunity
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California State Students Association (CSSA)
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President
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San Mateo County Economic Development
Association (SAMCEDA)
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San Francisco Chamber of Commerce
Steve Falk
President & CEO

cc: All Members of the Senate and Assembly

Enclosure

ENDORSEMENT LIST

Supporters of SB 1020 and SB 1426

Organizational Endorsements for both SB 1020 and SB 1426

- AARP
- American Association of University Women
- Bay Area Council
- State Building and Construction Trades Council of California
- Business Council of San Joaquin County
- The Campaign for College Opportunity
- California Alliance of Child and Family Services
- California Church Impact
- California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley
- California Senior Advocates League
- California State Student Association (CSSA)
- Contra Costa Council
- Fresno Business Council
- Greenlining Institute
- Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce
- Kern County Taxpayers Association
- Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce
- Marin Builders' Association
- Monterey County Business Council
- National Federation of Independent Business
- San Francisco Chamber of Commerce
- San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership
- San Mateo County Economic Development Association (SAMCEDA)
- Santa Clara & San Benito Counties Building & Construction Trades Council
- Santa Cruz County Medical Society
- Saving California Communities
- Sierra Business Council
- Silicon Valley Leadership Group
- Valley Industry & Commerce Association (VICA)
- WELL Network

Organizational supporters of only SB 1020

- SEIU Local 1000
- California Taxpayers Association
- California Association of Nonprofits
- California Business Properties Association
- California Chapter of the American Fence Association
- California Construction and Industrial Materials Association
- California Fence Contractors' Association

- California Forestry Association
- California Grocers Association
- California Hotel & Lodging Association
- California Independent Oil Marketers Association
- California League of Food Processors
- California Manufacturers & Technology Association
- California Professional Association of Specialty Contractors
- California Retailers Association
- Chemical Industry Council of California
- County of Yolo, Board of Supervisors
- Engineering Contractors' Association
- Flasher/Barricade Association
- Little Hoover Commission
- Marin Builders' Association
- National Federation of Independent Business
- Western Growers
- Western States Petroleum Association