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## INFORMATIONAL HEARING

### CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZATION IN CALIFORNIA

October 23, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.  
Ronald Reagan Building, Los Angeles CA

### AGENDA

- I. **Welcome and Hearing Purpose**
- II. **Charter School Authorization Overview and Historical Perspective**
  - *Ryan Anderson, Fiscal and Policy Analyst, Legislative Analyst's Office*
- III. **Charter Petition Process: Are charter petitions required to contain the information needed to determine whether a school will serve students well? What is working and what is in need of reform?**
  - *Deborah Deal, Intervention Specialist, Fiscal Crisis Management and Assistance Team*
  - *Gail Ann Greely, Vice President, California Charter Authorizing Professionals*
  - *Cristina de Jesus, President and Chief Executive Officer, Green Dot Public Schools California*
- IV. **Charter Review and Approval: What is required during the charter review process? How much discretion do school boards have when determining if a charter school is likely to succeed and whether it is needed?**
  - *Chris Ungar, Trustee, San Luis Coastal Unified School District*
  - *Elizabeth Block, Board President, West Contra Costa Unified School District*
  - *Stephanie Farland, Director, Collaborative Solutions for Charter Authorizers*

- *José Cole-Gutiérrez, Director, Charter Division, Los Angeles Unified School District*

V. **Charter Appeal Process: How do charter petitions typically change during the appeal process? Why do the outcomes of charter petitions vary?**

- *Angelica Ramsey, Superintendent, Pleasant Valley School District*
- *Peri Lynn Turnbull, Board Member, Thrive Public Schools*

VI. **Public Comment**