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### Informational Hearing:

From Voices to Votes: Breaking Barriers to Civic Engagement  
for the Next Generation

Friday, March 17, 2017 - 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Reseda High School, Reseda, CA

### Agenda

- I. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
Senator Henry Stern, Chair and Committee Members
- II. **Interactive participant polling with smartphones: Exploring challenges and opportunities**
- III. **Overview of Barriers and Bright Spots**
  - Mindy Romero, Executive Director, California Civic Engagement Project
- IV. **Snapshots: Panel 1- Youth Engagement Across California**
  - David Moren, Bay Area Executive Director, Generation Citizen
  - Lauren Reed, Deputy Director of the Millennial Program, NextGen Climate
  - Samuel Molina, California State Director, Mi Familia Vota
  - Jen Tolentino, Director of Policy & Civic Tech, Rock the Vote
  - Participant discussion and insight
- V. **Snapshots: Panel 2- Local Teachers & Students**
  - Jose Flores, Teacher, Brawley Union High School
  - John Downey, Teacher, Royal High School
  - Students from Reseda, Royal and Century Academy High Schools

**VI. Snapshots: Panel 3- Active Students/Civics in Action**

- Emma Friedl, UCLA Student, Member CALPIRG Students, CALPIRG
- Carly Smith, Civic Engagement Specialist, Foundation for California Community Colleges
- Anthony Chen, Director of Governmental Affairs, California Association of Student Councils
- Randi Kay Stephens, Program Coordinator, Local Government Basics & CCS Partnership, Institute for Local Government
- Participant discussion and insight

**VII. Public Comment**

**VIII. Closing Remarks**