

Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economic Development and the Economy

Major Economic Development Policies and Programs in 2015

Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at the California State Capitol, Room 127, 9:00 a.m. to Noon

AGENDA

In today's hearing, Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia and Members of the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy will be briefed on California's major economic development policies and programs. Presentations will include state agencies, economic development partners, and other stakeholder organizations. This hearing is a follow-up to JEDE's first informational hearing on the California economy held on February 11, 2015.

I. Welcome, Introductions and Opening Statements

Chair and Members of the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy will give opening statements and frame the key issues to be examined during the hearing.

II. An Overview of Workforce Development Policies and Programs

- **Brian McMahon**, Senior Advisor to the California Labor Agency
- **Tim Rainey**, Executive Director of the California Workforce Investment Board
- **Van Ton-Quinlivan**, Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development of California's Community Colleges and Co-Chair of the Workforce Action Team of the California Economic Summit
- **Jim Mayer**, President & CEO of California Forward, which serves as one of two lead partners for the California Economic Summit

One of California's historic strengths is the quality of its workforce. Creating an integrated education, training, and workforce development system that supports the state's dominant and emerging industries is a major policy priority for the state. Addressing the needs of workers who face special challenges is also important including individuals requiring remedial education as a first step toward workforce training. Presentations in this panel will discuss the unique opportunity 2015 provides in advancing the state's education and workforce agenda including several collaborative public and private efforts already underway.

III. An Overview of the Policies and Programs allied with the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development

- **Kish Rajan**, Director of the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development
- **Paul Granillo**, President & CEO of the Inland Empire Economic Partnership and Co-chair of the California Economic Summit Steering Committee
- **Dorothy Rothrock**, President of the California Manufacturers and Technology Association

California's \$2.2 trillion economy is comprised of a robust set of businesses and industries. Central in coordinating the state government's activities and engagement with these business and industry sectors is the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz). This panel includes an overview of programs, policies, and initiatives that are allied with the GO-Biz mission, including small business development, international trade, permit assistance, infrastructure development, innovation-based manufacturing, and business attraction and retention.

IV. Public Comment

Anyone interested in addressing the Committee may sign up to speak during the public comment period. A sign-up sheet is located at the back of the hearing room. Written comments may also be submitted to the Committee Office.

V. Closing Remarks

Assemblymembers will make closing remarks and offer recommendations on further actions by the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy.