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### **14th Annual Travers Conference on Ethics and Accountability**

**Friday, February 11, 2011, 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

**Cosponsored by the  
Travers Program on Ethics and Accountability of the  
Charles and Louise Travers Department of Political Science,  
and by the Goldman School of Public Policy**

California is in a fiscal corner. The state faces a projected \$25 billion shortfall over the next 18 months that neither economic growth nor tax increases are likely to cover. As the state begins the difficult process of formulating a new budget, the 14th Annual Travers Conference will explore the budget situation in four sectors that make up the largest part of the California budget—criminal justice (13%), higher education (14%), health care (20%), and K-12 education (40%). Experts in each of these fields will explore strategies for putting California's fiscal house in order.

**8:30AM Continental Breakfast**

**9:00—9:15: Opening Remarks**

TAEKU LEE, Chair, The Charles and Louise Travers Dept. of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley

**9:15-10:45: Panel 1: California's Criminal Justice System**

MODERATOR: JOHN ELLWOOD, Professor of Public Policy, Goldman School of Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley

STEVE RAPHAEL, Professor of Public Policy, Goldman School of Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley

MARK KLEIMAN, Professor of Public Policy, UCLA School of Public Affairs

ROBERT WEISBERG, Edwin E. Huddleson, Jr. Professor of Law, Stanford Law School

DANIEL MACALLAIR, Executive Director of the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice

## **10:30-12:15 Panel 2: Higher Education**

MODERATOR: ROBERT SHIREMAN, Former Deputy Undersecretary, Department of Education

ROBERT BIRGENEAU, Chancellor, University of California, Berkeley

STEVE WEINER, Founder, Campaign for College Opportunity & Retired Executive Director of the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities

DENNIS JONES, President, National Center for Higher Education Management Systems

WILLIAM ZUMETA, Professor, Evans School of Public Affairs, University of Washington

**12:15-12:30: Break (Box Lunches available to those who pre-register by 2/6/11)**

## **12: 30-1:00: Lunch Keynote Address:**

F. King Alexander: President, Cal State Long Beach

## **1:15 – 2:45: Panel 3: Health Care**

MODERATOR: KAREN SHORE, Vice President for Planning and Health Policy, Center for Health Improvement.

LEIF HAASE, Senior Fellow, Health Policy Program, New America Foundation

TOM MACURDY, Professor, Department of Economics, Stanford University

STAN ROSENSTEIN, Former Director, California Medicaid & Principal Advisor, Health Management Associates

WILL DOW, Henry J. Kaiser Professor of Health Economics, School of Public Health, UC Berkeley

**2:45—3:00: Coffee Break**

## **3:00-4:45: Panel 4: K-12 Education**

MODERATOR: MOIRA GUNN, Host of Tech Nation and BioTech Nation Radio Programs

NORTON GRUBB, Professor, School of Education, University of California, Berkeley

GARY K. HART, Former State Senator & California Secretary for Education

KIM REUBEN, Senior Fellow, Tax Policy Center, Urban Institute

TOM TIMAR, Professor & Director of the Center for Applied Policy in Education, University of California, Davis

**4:45-5:30: Conference Reception (all guests are invited to attend)**