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General Session

Presentation by the Center for the Future of Teaching and Learning

Executive Summary: Representatives from the Center for the Future of Teaching and Learning will present its report *California's Teaching Force: Key Issues and Trends, 2006*.

Recommended Action: For information only.

Presenter: Roneeta Guha, Research Analyst, SRI International; Harvey Hunt, Senior Policy Analyst, Center for the Future of Teaching and Learning

Strategic Plan Goal: 4

Continue effective and appropriate involvement of the Commission with policymakers on key education issues.

- ◆ Sustain productive relations with key policymakers and staff.

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Introduction

On December 7, 2006, the Center for the Future of Teaching and Learning released its report, *California's Teaching Force 2006, Key Issues and Trends*. Roneeta Guha, Research Analyst from SRI International, and Harvey Hunt, Senior Policy Analyst from the Center for the Future of Teaching and Learning will be present to discuss the findings and recommendations from the report.

Background

California's Teaching Force 2006: Key Issues and Trends recognizes the actions taken in 2006 by the state's governor and Legislature to improve the state's teacher workforce. However, the report cautions that the teacher shortage is far from over, warning that a drop in the production of credentials and declining enrollment in teacher preparation programs are warning signs worth watching in the face of escalating teacher retirements. Additionally, certain regions of the state – such as California's Central Valley – are already experiencing shortages of fully prepared teachers, and high enrollment growth in those regions may only exacerbate the problem.

The full report as well as an executive summary are available at www.cftl.org.

