

# Update on Teacher Leadership

## November 2010

### Overview of this Report

This agenda item provides updated information on the topic of Teacher Leadership including an update on AB 2040 (Brownley). The COA last discussed the topic of Teacher Leadership at its April 2010 meeting (<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/coa-agendas/2010-04/2010-04-item-21.pdf>)

### Staff Recommendation

This is an information item.

### Background

AB 2042 (Brownley) was introduced in February 2010:

AB 2040 would have required the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (Commission) to convene an advisory panel of stakeholders with expertise in the field of teacher leadership to explore the recognition of leadership roles within a teaching career pathway. The Commission would be required to consider the advisory panel's findings and report to the Governor and Legislature by January 1, 2012.

On August 18, 2010 Governor Schwarzenegger vetoed SB 2040 with the following message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2040 without my signature.

The objective sought by this bill can be accomplished without statutory authority. Therefore, this bill is unnecessary.

Furthermore, I question whether this bill would result in meaningful reform since it does not embrace rigorous, measurable teacher performance evaluations that include improved student achievement, along with other factors to ensure that highly effective teachers earn the elevated status as a "teacher leader".

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger

Staff will provide an oral update during the November 2010 meeting on the topic of Teacher Leadership in California and the