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RE: Meeting 2010-11 Enrollment Goal Report

Provision 5 of Item 6610-001-0001 of the 2010-11 Budget Act requires the California State University to report to the Legislature by March 15, 2011, on whether it will meet the enrollment goal established in the budget act for the 2010-11 fiscal year. The budget act established an enrollment goal of 339,873 full-time equivalent students (FTES) on the assumption of the budget act including a significant restoration of funds for the university. As we explained in recent budget committee hearings, the CSU will fall short of this enrollment goal, despite admitting large numbers of transfer students for spring term 2011, due to the late enactment of the budget act. Prior year budget cuts and extended uncertainty about the final budget outcome for 2010-11 compelled the university to manage enrollments on a conservative basis for summer and fall terms of 2010 and this had the effect of holding down FTES numbers that are averaged on a full-year basis.

Provision 5 provides for a one-time reversion of 2010-11 funds based on the extent to which the university falls short of the budget act goal. Final enrollment censuses for spring quarter have yet to be conducted for the six of our 23 campuses that have quarter-based academic calendars. At this time our best estimate is that we will serve 328,190 annual FTES across the CSU in 2010-11. Under the formula specified in provision 5, this would result in the one-time reversion of \$79.3 million



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to the General Fund by April 1st. The budget conference committee previously scored an estimated \$75 million on this issue.

Should you have any questions on this issue please contact Robert Turnage, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Budget at (916) 445-5983.

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