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**Faculty Association of California Community Colleges
Raises Concerns with Governor's May Revise**

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The Faculty Association of California Community Colleges (FACCC) recognizes the state's challenging budgetary environment; however, we remain concerned about several of the proposed changes and deferrals.

"FACCC appreciates the Governor's continued support of our colleges and understands the rationale behind scaling back proposed investments in the Common Cloud Data Platform and the Collaborative Enterprise Resource Planning Project. We are also passionate supporters of the Rising Scholars programs' work and encourage budget leaders to increase the proposed augmentation to the original \$30 million proposed in the January budget. This program is vital to advancing equity and opportunity within our colleges and should remain a priority.

We fully support and recognize the importance of investing in transitional kindergarten (TK). However, redirecting \$492.4 million away from the community college system over three years would seriously affect our students. Just as TK serves California's most vulnerable young learners, the California Community Colleges provide needed access and support to the state's most vulnerable adult populations. We are committed to working collaboratively with budget leaders to find balanced solutions that protect and strengthen opportunities for all Californians." - Wendy Brill-Wynkoop, President of FACCC

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