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State Controller Steve Westly Asks Governor to Call Off Special Election; Focus on Passing Budget

SACRAMENTO – In response to the Governor’s May Revise, State Controller Steve Westly today made the following statement:

“I’m pleased to see the governor has restored transportation funding and is paying down the debt. Our successful tax amnesty program and an improving economy have helped the governor take a good first step. But the real work is yet to come.

“I urge the governor to call off his \$70 million special election, and focus on passing an on-time budget. Governor Schwarzenegger must also make good on his commitment to California’s school children and restore the \$2 billion he promised.

“The governor should immediately call a Big 5 meeting and get down to the business of negotiating a balanced budget in good faith.”

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