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TO: All Senators and Senate Staff

FROM: Erika Contreras
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RE: Mask Update

As you may know, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) made an announcement yesterday easing masking requirements in many settings regardless of vaccine status. Following the release of new indoor masking guidance, Governor Gavin Newsom also signed an executive order that updated the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) to align with the new guidance.

The Senate is reviewing the updated CDPH and CDC masking guidance and consulting with local public health officials for additional guidance based on local public health considerations. As an employer, the Senate will also be looking at the Cal/OSHA updates to provide the most accurate and up-to-date guidance to our workforce, which is located in seventy-six district offices throughout the state. The Senate will communicate any potential updates to our Health and Safety Guidelines regarding masking for Senators, staff and the public in the next few days.

Until such time that we update our guidance, please continue to adhere to the current Senate's mask policies.