The April 5 LAO Budget and Policy posts can be found at the following links:

In addition, the LAO estimates a potential state budget benefit of $8.5 billion from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This benefit would increase the state's existing budget by $8.5 billion, as the CARES Act mandates 50% of the state's $12.8 billion allocation be distributed to local governments.

The law firm Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo released a helpful opinion on the framework that would have been earned by these individuals; however, the law firm reiterates the expectation that educational services are to be provided to students by staff who are getting paid to provide these services in a manner that is reasonably related to their normal duties.

The district or charter school will need to submit the certification pages with original signatures scanned copy on the 2019-20 P2 certification pages with the initial submission. This is a challenging time. Due to COVID-19 school closures, LACOE will accept an electronic signature/dated scan. This means the due date to LACOE of April 17 also remains in place. CDE offers updated Business Services.

For more information about meal delivery options during COVID-19 school closures, please visit the USDA Q&A document.

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For questions, please contact Alyssa Martinez at CDE COVID-19 Guidance for School Meals and rise to the challenge. I'm delighted that LACOE's Head Start-Early Learning Education Foundation, have been able to bring their program and our philanthropic arm, the Greater LA...