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### Informational Hearing Senate Human Services Committee

### Fighting Hunger: Food Assistance for Vulnerable Populations During the COVID-19 Pandemic

November 17, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.  
State Capitol, Room 4203

#### AGENDA

1. **Opening Remarks**
  - Senator Melissa Hurtado, Chair, Senate Human Services Committee
2. **How COVID-19 Pandemic has Impacted Need for Nutrition Assistance**
  - Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach, Director, Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University
  - Kerry Figueroa, Client of Central California Food Bank
  - Carina Carillo, Farmworker and Volunteer at California Farmworker Foundation
3. **Recent State and Federal Funding for Nutrition Programs**
  - Ryan Anderson, Senior Fiscal and Policy Analyst, Legislative Analyst Office
4. **Efforts to Meet Increased Need for Nutrition Assistance During COVID-19 Pandemic**
  - Alexis Fernandez, Chief, CalFresh and Nutrition Branch, California Department of Social Services
  - Cathy Senderling-McDonald, Deputy Executive Director, County Welfare Directors Association
  - Natalie Caples, Co-Chief Operating Officer, Central California Food Bank
  - Victoria Jump, Director, Ventura County Area Agency on Aging
  - Ryan Buras, Director of Recovery, Office of Emergency Services
5. **Changes in School Meal Programs During COVID-19 Pandemic**
  - Stephanie Bruce, Nutrition Service Director, Palm Springs Unified School District
  - Lisa Kenny, California School Employees Association
6. **Public Comments**
7. **Closing Remarks**