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## STATEMENT FROM DCBA DIRECTOR RAFAEL CARBAJAL

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Statement from Rafael Carbajal, Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs, on the proposed 2021-22

<u>California State Budget</u> announced by Governor Gavin Newsom, which includes \$1.1 billion in immediate relief for small businesses and a \$600 state payment to workers with low incomes who were previously eligible to receive the Earned Income Tax Credit

"The Los Angeles County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs commends California Governor Gavin Newsom for the proposed State Budget, which will provide relief directly to workers and small business owners in need. Our department's Center for Financial Empowerment is dedicated to helping LA County's workers secure their finances by maximizing the Earned Income Tax Credit they have earned. An additional stimulus payment provides a bigger safety net for those essential workers struggling to stay housed and healthy. Through the Office of Small Business and the LA County Disaster Help Center, our department has worked tirelessly to help small business owners access available resources to keep their businesses stable and successful. The Governor's proposed budget supports this mission and provides the type of investment necessary to help boost Los Angeles County's small business community."

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