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Additional submitted attachment is included below.

February 4, 2021

The Honorable David Hochschild
Chair, California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-32
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: School Energy Efficiency Stimulus Program
Position: Support

Dear Commissioner Hochschild,

The California Teachers Association (CTA) is pleased to **support** the School Energy Efficiency Stimulus Program, established through AB 841 (Chapter 372, Statutes of 2020), which provides funding outside of Proposition 98 to help schools update their ventilation and plumbing systems.

Precisely, the School Energy Efficiency Stimulus Program consists of: (1) the School Reopening Ventilation and Energy Efficiency Verification and Repair Program (SRVEVR), which provides grants to local educational agencies to reopen schools with functional ventilation systems, and (2) the School Noncompliant Plumbing Fixture and Appliance Program (SNPFA) provides grants to local educational agencies to replace noncompliant plumbing fixtures and other appliances that fail to meet water efficiency standards.

CTA believes students and staff are entitled to work and learn in safe, sanitary, and healthful environments. All schools should have adequate ventilation and plumbing systems. Updating or repairing ventilation systems is especially important for schools to reopen for in-person instruction during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CTA appreciates the work of the Energy Commission in implementing this program quickly and efficiently. Should you have further questions, please contact me at KHardeman@cta.org.

Sincerely,



Katie Hardeman
Legislative Advocate

cc: The California Energy Commission
The Honorable Phil Y. Ting

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