



Assembly Member **SANDRÉ SWANSON**  
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## Swanson Regains Chairmanship

### *Assemblymember Swanson to Chair Assembly Committee on Labor and Employment*

**(Sacramento)**SACRAMENTO — Assemblymember Sandré R. Swanson (D-Alameda) was appointed Chair

of the Assembly Committee on Labor and Employment by Speaker John A. Pérez this week, returning him to his influential Democratic leadership position. In response to his appointment by the new California Assembly Speaker, Assemblymember Swanson said, “I am proud to accept the chairmanship of the Assembly Committee on Labor and Employment. Speaker Pérez has an extensive record in supporting the labor movement by fighting for better wages, healthcare and benefits for working families. The Speaker’s sensitivity to the needs of labor will help navigate the state towards a budget that is fair to our state workers and protects the safety net for our citizens. I look forward to working with him in my new position.”

“During one of the most unprecedented financial crises in our state’s history, we have a responsibility to end the attempt to balance the budget on the backs of the working class through furloughs, pay cuts, and deep slashes to state services for the poor. This precarious balancing act has failed. Our state’s budget is broken. It is the Governor’s and the Legislature’s responsibility to fix the systemic budget problems with long-term solutions, rather than scapegoating the state’s workers,” said Assemblymember Swanson.

“California’s historic job crisis finds us at a 13 percent unemployment rate – one of the highest in the nation. Job creation and immediate support to the unemployed must be top priorities for the state. I will work collaboratively with the committee, legislature, and Speaker Pérez to support working families. Assemblymember Swanson concluded, “I am the product of a working class family and I proudly accept this assignment.”

Assemblymember Swanson will continue to serve on the Budget Committee, Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Education Finance, the Elections and Redistricting Committee, and the Utilities and Commerce Committee. He is also the Chair of the California Legislative Black Caucus.

The chairmanship appointment to the Assembly Committee on Labor and Employment is effective immediately.

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