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Dear CCSO Members:

Judge Patrick Marlette issued his final ruling, on Friday January 30th, upholding the Governor's Executive Order regarding the two-day mandated furlough of state employees. Judge Marlette ruled that the Executive Order was legal and constitutional. He said the state's current budget crisis and lack of funds represented an emergency and the Governor's Order was "reasonable and necessary under the circumstances."

This ruling is a blow to all hard-working state workers. Unions have come together to fight this Executive Order and will appeal this decision. For now, CCSO will be meeting with CDCR to make sure that employees working in the prisons are able to take the two days off that they are not going to be paid for within their pay period.

The problem with the mandated two-day furlough in the prisons is that it will not work or save money. CCSO believes that this is unsafe, will incur increased expenses due to overtime that must occur at times, and is illegal and unconstitutional in regards to employees.

This ruling has just come down, and I have State Board Member Chris Gold meeting with the Governor's Public Safety Liaison Tom Sawyer. CCSO is also working aggressively at the Capitol via the CCSO lobbyists. We have joined forces with other labor groups, and are consulting with attorneys to bring this to an end.

Cordially,

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State President