



**ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT**

**LIZ ORTEGA, CHAIR**  
ASSEMBLYMEMBER, TWENTIETH DISTRICT

***Informational Hearing: “Lack of Labor Law Enforcement for California’s Farmworkers”***

Wednesday, February 7, 2024  
9:30 am in State Capitol, Room 126

**AGENDA**

**Opening Remarks by Committee Chair**

**Panel 1: Hazards, Wage Theft and Retaliation Faced by Farmworkers**

- 1) Dr. Ed Flores, Faculty Director, UC Merced Labor Center
- 2) Eladio Platon, Farmworker, Centro Binacional para el Desarrollo Indigena Oaxaqueño
- 3) Cesilia Perez, Farmworker, UFW
- 4) Sarait Martinez, Executive Director, Centro Binacional para el Desarrollo Indigena Oaxaqueño

**Panel 2 - Barriers to Reporting Legal Violations**

- 1) Cristina Gonzalez, Farmworker, Central California Environmental Justice Network
- 2) Victor Mora, Farmworker, Teamsters Local 856
- 3) Megan Ruble, President, California’s Applicants’ Attorneys Association
- 4) Anali Cortez Bulosan, Directing Attorney, California Rural Legal Assistance
- 5) Yelisa Ambriz, Farmworker Advocate, Central California Environmental Justice Network

**Panel 3 - Lack of Enforcement in the Field**

- 1) AnaStacia Wright, Staff Attorney, Worksafe
- 2) Efrain Aguilera, UFCW Local 5, reading testimony of packing house worker Maria Hernández
- 3) Erica Cervantes, Policy Advocate, Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy

#### **Panel 4: State Agency Response**

- 1) Sebastian Sanchez, Dep. Secretary, Agriculture and Immigrant Workforce, Labor and Workforce Development Agency
- 2) Lilia Garcia-Brower, California Labor Commissioner
- 3) Debra Lee, Acting Chief of Cal/OSHA

#### **Public Comment**