March 13, 2020

The Honorable Holly Mitchell, Chair  
The Joint Legislative Budget Committee  
1020 N Street, Room 553  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Ms. Keely Bosler, Director  
Department of Finance  
915 L Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Mitchell and Ms. Bosler:

Attached is the February 2020 report on the time it is taking to process various business filings, in accordance with the Budget Act of 2019 (Chapter 23, Statutes of 2019). Previous reports are posted on the Secretary of State’s office website at www.sos.ca.gov/administration/agency-reports/business-filing-processing-time-agency-reports. If you have any questions about this report, please feel free to contact me at (916) 653-7244 or have your staff contact my Chief of the Business Programs Division, Betsy Bogart, at (916) 695-1197.

Sincerely,

Alex Padilla  
Secretary of State

Attachment

cc: Ms. Diane Boyer-Vine, Legislative Counsel
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