Executive Summary

This Executive Summary is a brief description of the NCSL Foundation Partners Project on Public-Private Partnerships’ educational session at NCSL’s Fall Forum in December 2009.

- A detailed meeting summary is also available, which gives more information about the session as well as the presenter’s biography. The detailed meeting summary is available at http://www.ncsl.org/?tabid=19354, or upon request from jaime.rall@ncsl.org.

- More information about this meeting, including PowerPoints, is also available at http://www.ncsl.org/?tabid=19354.

- For more information about the NCSL Foundation Partnership for PPPs for Transportation, see http://www.ncsl.org/?tabid=17528.

- For more information about previous meetings of the PPP Partners Project, see http://www.ncsl.org/?tabid=17216 and http://www.ncsl.org/?tabid=18016.
The NCSL Foundation Partners Project on Public-Private Partnerships (P3s/PPPs) exists to link legislators, legislative staff and interested private entities to analyze legislators’ needs and to develop nonpartisan, balanced, useful materials to aid legislators’ decision-making regarding PPPs in transportation, both in their respective states and as they consider state-federal relationships.

One purpose of this 18-month Project is to develop and offer educational sessions. This session at NCSL’s Fall Forum in San Diego built on previous meetings of the working group in April and July. The information gathered in these meetings will inform the group in its ongoing analysis, with the end goal of developing a “toolkit” of useful resources for legislators considering transportation PPPs.

The session began with opening remarks from the project co-chairs, Representative Terri Austin of Indiana and Representative Linda Harper-Brown of Texas.

This was followed by an in-depth presentation on the UK PPP Program: Policy Background and Implementation by Edward Farquharson (Project Director, Partnerships UK), in which he described the institutional arrangements, projects, and lessons learned of the established PPP program in the United Kingdom.

The session ended with a business meeting, including a review of the draft “toolkit” report and the tentative scheduling of the next two Partners Project events: a joint summit with the United Kingdom Trade and Investment Office of the British Consulate General (March 2010) and a Partners Project meeting at the NCSL Spring Forum (April 2010).

NCSL thanks all of the public and private sector participants in the Partnership Project for their contributions to this event and to the ongoing work of the Project.