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Local Agency Formation Commission
105 East Anapamu Street
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Legislative Report

Dear Members of the Commission

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission receive this report and adopt proposed legislative position.

DISCUSSION

This is a report on LAFCO-related legislation with recommended positions where appropriate.

AB 1263 (Caballero) - This CALAFCO sponsored bill makes changes in the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act and related statutes. It implements recommendations by the CALAFCO Legislative Committee, based on the survey and discussions among member LAFCOs.

The bill allows LAFCO to process “islands” annexations created by county boundary changes after 2000 under the island annexation provisions, clarifies LAFCOs are authorized to establish a schedule of fees for applications as well as a deposit schedule and charge against that deposit and makes non-substantive language clarifications to Government Code Section 56375.

The bill is in the Assembly for concurrence with Senate amendments, and from there will go to the Governor for signature.

Recommendation: **SUPPORT** Assembly Bill 1263 (Caballero)

AB 1998 (Silva) - Financial disclosure requirements were imposed last year by AB 745 (Silva) on committees formed to support or oppose LAFCO-approved proposals. This CALAFCO sponsored bill moves the financial disclosure requirements from LAFCOs to the Fair Political Practices Committee

The bill was approved by the Assembly and is in before the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Recommendation: **SUPPORT** Assembly Bill 1998 (Silva)

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AB 2484 (Caballero) - The bill specifies procedures by which LAFCOs can review proposals by special districts to either increase the power or divest the power to provide particular functions or classes of services.

The bill is sponsored by CALAFCO. It has passed the Assembly and is being considered by the Senate.

Recommendation: **SUPPORT** Assembly Bill 2484 (Caballero)

AB 2686 (Nava) - This bill creates the Santa Ynez Valley Water District and concurrently dissolves the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District Improvement District No. 1.

The Commission in May supported the bill. Since that time it has moved through the legislative process, most recently being approved by the Senate Local Government Committee on June 18.

Recommendation: Continue to **SUPPORT** Assembly Bill 2983 (Nava)

AB 3047 (Assembly Local Government Committee) – This is the CALAFCO Omnibus Bill that is submitted annually to make non substantive wording changes to C-K-H. Act.

The bill is sponsored by CALAFCO. It has passed the Assembly and is on the Senate floor before going to the Governor for signature.

Recommendation: **SUPPORT** Assembly Bill 3047

SB 301 (Romero) - Current law requires the State Controller to allocate Vehicle License Fee (VLF) revenues in a specified order to, among others, each city that is incorporated after August 2004 but before July 1, 2009.

The bill eliminates the sunsets on Vehicle License Fee (VLF) subventions for incorporations and inhabited annexations to cities. The bill specifies, for purposes of the formula used to determine additional VLF revenues for cities, that a city's actual population is the population residing in areas annexed after August 5, 2004.

The bill is supported by CALAFCO. It has passed the Assembly and is on the Senate floor before going to the Governor for signature.

Recommendation: **SUPPORT** Senate Bill 301

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SB 1191 (Alquist) - Adds broadband transmission and services to the powers of a CSD.

The bill is supported by CALAFCO. It has passed the Senate and was approved by the Assembly Local Government Committee on June 4.

Recommendation: **SUPPORT** Senate Bill 1191

SB 1458 (Senate Local Government Committee) - This is a comprehensive rewrite of the County Service Area (CSA) Law that also brings it into conformance with the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act. The Executive Officer was part of a Working Committee formed to oversee the rewrite

The bill, supported by CALAFCO, has passed both the Senate and the Assembly and will soon be going to the Governor for signature.

Recommendation: **SUPPORT** Senate Bill 1458

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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