



June 9, 2017

The Honorable Mike McGuire
Chair, Senate Governance and Finance Committee
State Capitol, Room 408
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer): Counties: contracts for personal services.
As Amended June 21, 2017 – OPPOSE
Awaiting Hearing in Senate Governance and Finance Committee

Dear Senator McGuire:

The County Health Executives Association of California, representing local health departments throughout our state, respectfully must oppose AB 1250, by Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer, related to county contracts for services.

AB 1250 would establish onerous contract procurement and renewal requirements for counties and would significantly limit our ability to contract with key community partners such as non-profits and community based organizations as well as with private service providers. We are concerned the measure will affect our ability to ensure the provision of vital services, such as health care services to California's uninsured, infectious disease control, chronic disease prevention and wellness promotion and environmental health services.

Local health departments may contract for a variety of reasons such as: meeting grant requirements to collaborate with community partners, expanding the county's expertise, or providing culturally competent services reflecting the diversity within their communities.

Local health departments have grave concerns that the requirements set forth in AB 1250 will significantly hinder our ability to provide Californians with the critical services they need. It is for these reasons that we oppose AB 1250 and respectfully urge your 'No' vote on the measure. Should you have any questions regarding our position, please feel free to contact me at (916) 327-7540.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Gibbons", enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Michelle Gibbons
Executive Director

cc: The Honorable Reggie Jones-Sawyer, California State Assembly
The Honorable Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher, California State Assembly
The Honorable Rob Bonta, California State Assembly
Honorable Members, Senate Governance and Finance Committee
Jimmy MacDonald, Consultant, Senate Governance and Finance Committee
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