



June 20, 2017

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

Dear Senator McGuire:

On behalf of The Child Abuse Prevention Council of Contra Costa County (CAPC), I write to respectfully request your opposition to AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer). CAPC serves over **20,000** children, parents and families in Contra Costa County and we believe private/public partnerships are important to provide high-quality local services and to save taxpayer resources.

AB 1250 would impose a de facto prohibition on counties' abilities to contract with non-profits, like ours, as well as other business and economic development organizations. In doing so, AB 1250 jeopardizes the delivery of vital services that many Californians depend on, including health and social services, public safety and other core functions of counties.

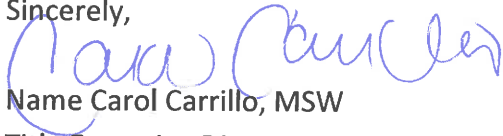
We provide local services that a county either does not have the expertise or internal capability to provide directly. CAPC provides parent education programs to prevent child abuse and prevent costly out of home placements. We provide the Parent Partner program that mentors parents and caretakers involved in the child welfare/ dependency court systems to help parents reunite with their children and break the costly cycle of child abuse and neglect. We also provide all the mandated reporter trainings to constituents who are required by law to report suspected child abuse and neglect. All CAPC programs and services are offered free to constituents across the county.

AB 1250 would impose significant new burdens on community based organizations and private sector contractors for the sole purpose of discouraging public/private partnerships. It requires contractors to conduct (at our own expense) extensive audits and requires us to disclose personal information, including the names and hourly rates of our employees and any subcontractors and the compensation rates for those workers –subjecting that information to the California Public Records Act. This raises significant privacy concerns for organizations like ours and our employees.

Restricting counties' abilities to contract for the expertise and most efficient delivery of services could result in decreased access to services or even the elimination of some services outright for our most vulnerable.

There is no legitimate policy problem that AB 1250 seeks to address. We respectfully request that you oppose 1250 when it comes before you in Committee.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Members, Senate Governance and Finance Committee  
The Honorable Reginald Jones-Sawyer, California State Assembly