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June 28, 2017

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

SUBJECT: OPPOSE AB 1250 COUNTIES: CONTRACTS FOR PERSONAL SERVICES

Dear Senator McGuire:

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) respectfully requests your opposition of AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer) Counties: Contracts for Personal Services. DPSS serves 3.5 million constituents in Los Angeles County and we believe private/public partnerships are important to provide high-quality local services and to save taxpayer resources.

AB 1250 would impose prohibitions on the County's abilities to contract with non-profits, businesses and economic development organizations. In doing so, AB 1250 jeopardizes the delivery of vital services that many county residents depend on, including health and social services, public safety and other county services. Non-profits, businesses and economic development organizations are strong partners with DPSS in providing welfare-to-work and other supportive services to our program participants.

In addition, AB 1250 would impose substantial new burdens on community based organizations and private sector contractors that would significantly discourage public/private partnerships. It requires them to conduct (at their own expense) extensive audits and requires them to disclose personal information, including the names and hourly rates of their employees and any subcontractors and the compensation rates for those workers –subjecting that information to the California Public Records Act. The bill will create significant privacy concerns for these organizations and their 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 residents.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sheryl L. Spiller". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Sheryl L. Spiller
Director

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c: Members, Senate Governance and Finance Committee

The Honorable Reginald Jones-Sawyer, California State Assembly