

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

---

MICHAEL SANCHEZ, DISTRICT 1  
KEVIN GOSS, DISTRICT 2  
SHARON THRALL, DISTRICT 3  
LORI SIMPSON, DISTRICT 4  
JEFF ENGEL, DISTRICT 5



July 10, 2017, 2017

Honorable Mike McGuire

Chair, Senate Governance and Finance Committee

State Capitol Building, Room 408

Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Assembly Bill 1250 (Jones-Sawyer). Counties: Contracts for personal services.**

**OPPOSE -- As amended May 30, 2017**

Dear Senator McGuire:

On behalf of the county of Plumas I am writing to strongly urge you to OPPOSE AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer). AB 1250 is an attack on services for the most vulnerable in Plumas County.

The bill would impose a defacto prohibition on our county's ability to contract with non-profits that are the licensed experts and community based organizations (CBO's) who deliver vital services to our residents and your constituents. The restrictions AB 1250 places on contracting for county services will jeopardize health care, social services, mental health and public safety services across your District.

For example in Plumas County we contract for a number of critical services that we either do not have the expertise or the internal staffing capabilities or resources to provide in the most effective manner for our communities. For instance, in Plumas County which is a rural county, we have no choice but to contract with non-profits and CBO's for domestic violence services, foster care, some specialized behavioral health services, health care, job training and rehabilitation for county inmates and probation, and sober living and rehabilitation services to name a few.

By restricting our county's ability to provide services in the most cost-effective manner, AB 1250 will also increase costs for taxpayers and reduce funding available for other local services. For many vital programs, it will not be a matter of who will provide the service but if they can even be offered at all.

Please protect services for the most vulnerable. Plumas County strongly urges you to vote no on AB 1250.

Sincerely,



Lori Simpson, Chair

Plumas County Board of Supervisors

cc: Honorable Members, Senate Governance and Finance Committee

Honorable Ted Gaines, California State Senate

Honorable Brian Dahle, California State Assembly

Honorable Reggie Jones-Sawyer, California State Assembly

Honorable Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher, California State Assembly

California State Association of Counties