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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Date: April 25, 2017

Subject: Advocacy Positions on State Legislation of Interest to Contra Costa County

## **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ADOPT an advocacy position on the following seven bills, as recommended by the Contra Costa County Legislation Committee (Chair Burgis, Vice Chair Mitchoff) at their April 10, 2017 meeting:

- 1. AB 557 (Rubio): CalWORKs: Victim of Abuse: SUPPORT
- 2. AB 1164 (Thurmond): Foster Care Placement: Funding: SUPPORT
- 3. AB 1332 (Bloom): Juveniles: Dependents: Removal: SUPPORT
- 4. AB 1406 (Gloria): Homeless Youth Advocacy and Housing Program: SUPPORT
- 5. SB 213 (Mitchell): Placement of Children: Criminal Records Check: SUPPORT
- 6. SB 282 (Wiener): CalFresh and CalWORKs: SUPPORT
- 7. AB 1479 (Bonta): Public Records: Supervisor of Records: OPPOSE

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact to the County from supporting these bills.

✓ APPROVE  □ RECOMMENDATION O ADMINISTRATOR		☐ OTHER  ☑ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  COMMITTEE						
Action of Board On: 04/25/2017 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER Clerks Notes:								
VOTE OF SUPERVISORS  Contact: L. DeLaney,	the minutes of the Board of ATTESTED: April	y certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on nutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.  ESTED: April 25, 2017  I Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of						
925-335-1097	Supervisors  By: , Deputy							

## **BACKGROUND**:

At its April 10, 2017 meeting, the Legislation Committee voted unanimously to recommend positions to the Board of Supervisors on the following seven state bills as follows:

	Bill & Link	Author	Title	Summary	Position
1	<u>AB</u> <u>557</u>	Rubio	CalWORKs: Victim of Abuse	Expands and modifies the circumstances for waiving the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program requirements for victims of abuse.	Support
2	<u>AB</u> 1164	Thurmond	Foster Care Placement: Funding	Establishes the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children to facilitate access to child care for foster youth and the families with whom they are placed through the provision of child care vouchers and/or payments, navigator services, and trauma-informed training and coaching for child care providers	Support
3	<u>AB</u> 1332	Bloom	Juveniles: Dependents: Removal	Establishes a specific standard for removal of a dependent child from the physical custody of a noncustodial parent.	Support
4	<u>AB</u> 1406	Gloria	Homeless Youth Advocacy and Housing Program	Establishes the Homeless Youth Advocacy and Housing Program to award grants to up to 10 local continuums of care that demonstrate the ability to contract with service provider capable of providing housing assistance and supportive services to homeless youth with the goal of transitioning youth towards self-sufficiency.	Support
5	<u>SB</u> <u>213</u>	Mitchell	Placement of Children: Criminal Records Check	Alters the background check process for prospective foster and adoptive parents by establishing a list of non-exemptible crimes, a list of crimes for which an exemption may be granted and a list of presumptively exemptible crimes.	Support

6	<u>SB</u> 282	Wiener	CalFresh and CalWORKs	Would authorize a county to provide employment services to a noncustodial parent of a child receiving benefits under the CalWORKs Program, establish the CalFresh Restaurant Meal Program, and require the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to seek a federal waiver to allow counties participating in the CalFresh Employment and Training to offer subsidized employment to able bodied adults without dependents.	Support
7	<u>AB</u> <u>1479</u>	Bonta	Public Records: Supervisor of Records: Fines	Amends the Public Records Act. Requires public agencies to identify a supervisor of records who shall review a determination by the agency that a request for records is denied.	Oppose