

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



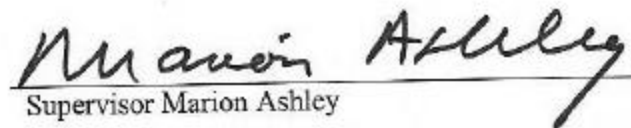
FROM: Supervisor Marion Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: June 3, 2003

SUBJECT: Position on pending state legislation, AB 133 by Assembly Member Russ Bogh.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board support AB 133 and direct the Executive Office and the Board's Sacramento office to advocate the Board's position.

BACKGROUND: AB 133 would allow the Riverside County deputy coroners to be reclassified as local safety members by contract amendments. The bill further defines these positions as "police officers" for the purpose of excluding these positions from Social Security coverage. Essentially, this bill would allow this Board the opportunity to decide whether it is in Riverside County's best interest for public health and safety concerns to provide enhanced benefits to deputy coroners. This bill will allow a Memorandum of Understanding between the Riverside Sheriffs' Association and the County, which is contingent on the passage of this legislation, to be executed. This legislation empowers the Board of Supervisors to act in consideration local conditions and local priorities and for that reason, should be supported by the Board. The provisions of this bill are not dissimilar to SB 836 by Senator Soto, legislation cosponsored by Riverside County to provide enhanced safety benefits to hazardous materials specialists.


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