

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



FROM: Supervisor Bob Buster

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 30, 2008

SUBJECT: Additional Oaths of Office for Board of Supervisors to Appointive Agencies.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board obtain a legal opinion from County Counsel as to whether or not duplicate Oaths of Office are necessary for Supervisors to serve on other local agencies.

JUSTIFICATION: The Oath of Office each Supervisor takes upon election to the Board should cover all duties discharged by the individual Board Members on behalf of the County of Riverside. Supervisors' derive their assigned or appointed positions to subsidiary bodies by their vary election to the Board and, as such relinquish said positions upon leaving office. Duplicative Oaths seem unnecessary, wasteful and confusing. Moreover, multiple Oaths of Office may create the perception of conflicting loyalties when majority positions/opinions of outside agencies differ with that of the County.

BACKGROUND: CVAG has requested that all Board members be sworn in. If required by CVAG, the oath could be required for all agencies Supervisors serve on. The time and costs associated with the swearing in, notary services required, etc., seem redundant and wasteful.

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