

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



ITEM
3.67
(ID # 6468)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

FROM : EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Letter of Support regarding AB 1886 (Carrillo) Payment of Expenses, All Districts [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Support Assembly Bill 1886; and
2. Approve the letter of support of AB 1886 to be sent to Marc Berman, Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee.

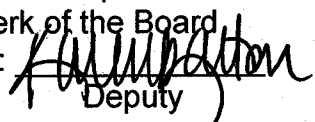
ACTION: Policy


Brian Nestande 2/27/2018

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: February 27, 2018
xc: EO

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS:			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

As per Board Policy A-27, the purpose of Riverside County's Legislative Program is to secure legislation that benefits the county and its residents, and to oppose/amend legislation that might adversely affect the County. Recognizing the need for consistency in conveying official positions on legislative matters, the county has instituted a coordinated process involving interaction between the Board of Supervisors, the County Executive Office, County agencies/departments, and the County's legislative advocates in Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

If a policy position regarding pending legislation does not exist, it will require formal board action by the Board of Supervisors.

Legislation/Policy: AB 1886 Payment of Expenses

Position: Support

Recipient: Marc Berman, Chair, Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee

Summary: This measure will provide Counties reimbursement for costs associated with special legislative or congressional election after January 1, 2017. Such reimbursement was provided to counties from 1993-2007; since then, a growing number of special elections to fill vacancies have been called, creating a fiscal burden on California counties.

Special elections are, by their very nature, unanticipated and require additional preparation, materials, and outreach, making them expensive when compared with regularly timed elections. The County carefully budgets its resources and unforeseen costs associated with special elections necessarily divert resources from other local programs and services.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Assembly Bill 1886
- Letter of Support Draft

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1886

**Introduced by Assembly Member Carrillo
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Berman)**

January 18, 2018

An act to amend Section 13001 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1886, as introduced, Carrillo. Payment of expenses.

Existing law requires that all expenses authorized and necessarily incurred to prepare for and conduct an election be paid from the county treasuries, except as otherwise provided.

This bill would require the state to pay expenses authorized and necessarily incurred to prepare for and conduct certain vacancy elections, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 13001 of the Elections Code is amended
2 to read:
3 13001. ~~All~~(a) *Except as provided in subdivision (b), all*
4 *expenses authorized and necessarily incurred in the preparation*
5 *for, and conduct of, elections as provided in this code shall be paid*
6 *from the county treasuries, except that when an election is called*
7 *by the governing body of a city the expenses shall be paid from*
8 *the treasury of the city. All payments under this subdivision shall*

1 be made in the same manner as other county or city expenditures
2 are made. ~~The~~

3 *(b) (1) The state shall pay all expenses authorized and*
4 *necessarily incurred on or after January 1, 2017, in preparation*
5 *for, and conduct of, elections called by the Governor to fill a*
6 *vacancy in the following offices:*

7 *(A) State Senator.*

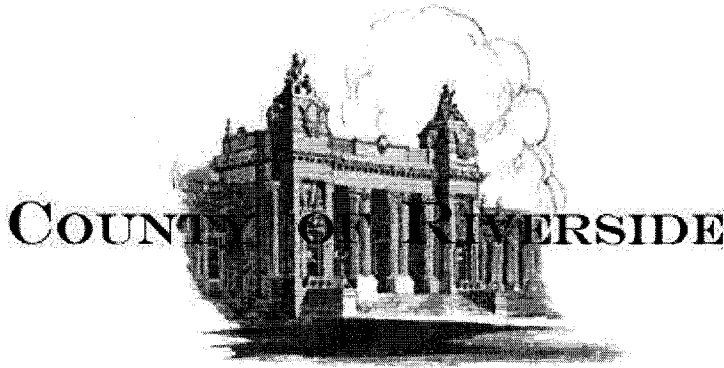
8 *(B) Member of the Assembly.*

9 *(C) United States Senator.*

10 *(D) Member of the United States House of Representatives.*

11 *(2) If a vacancy election for an office specified in this*
12 *subdivision is consolidated with a statewide or local election, the*
13 *state shall only pay those additional expenses directly related to*
14 *the vacancy election.*

15 *(c) The elections official, in providing the materials required*
16 *by this division, need not utilize the services of the county or city*
17 *purchasing agent.*



Board of Supervisors

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February XX, 2018

The Honorable Marc Berman, Chair
Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1886 (Carrillo): Payment of Expenses
Awaiting hearing: Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
County of Ventura: SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Low:

On behalf of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, I write to express our strong support for Assembly Bill 1886, Assembly Member Wendy Carrillo's measure to provide reimbursement for costs associated with special legislative or congressional election after January 1, 2017. Such reimbursement was provided to counties from 1993-2007; since then, a growing number of special elections to fill vacancies have been called, creating a fiscal burden on California counties.

Special elections are, by their very nature, unanticipated and require additional preparation, materials, and outreach, making them expensive when compared with regularly timed elections. The County carefully budgets its resources and unforeseen costs associated with special elections necessarily divert resources from other local programs and services.

The state calls special elections to fill vacancies; the state should then fund such elections. AB 1886 provides much-needed certainty and fiscal relief for county budgets by providing reimbursement for these election costs.

If you have any questions about the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact Deputy County Executive Officer, Brian Nestande at (951) 955-1110 or bnestande@rivco.org.

Sincerely,

Chuck Washington
Chairman, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

cc: Members and Consultants, Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
The Honorable Wendy Carrillo, California State Assembly
Riverside County Legislative Delegation