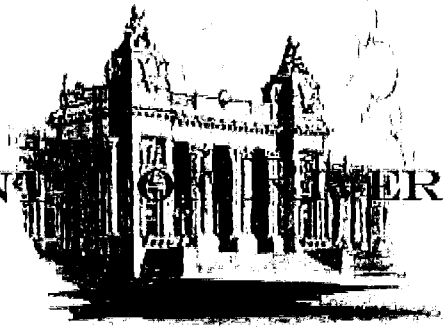


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March 29, 2018

The Honorable Chad Mayes
Member, California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4098
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: AB 2821 (Mayes): Integrated and comprehensive health and human services system: County of Riverside - As amended 3/22/2018
Awaiting hearing in Assembly Human Services Committee
Per Legislative Platform: SPONSOR

Dear Assembly Member Mayes:

On behalf of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, thank you for authoring Assembly Bill 2821, which would authorize the County of Riverside County to operate an integrated and comprehensive county health and human services system. The County of Riverside is sponsoring this measure as part of comprehensive project to review and reorganize health and human services operations.

In 2015, the Board hired KPMG, an accounting and management-consulting firm, to conduct forensic audits and reviews of county operations. The results of the first stage of the review identified a potential annual savings of several million dollars by implementing programmatic efficiencies and eliminating duplicative or obsolete practices, primarily in the public safety arena. The second stage is focused on operational efficiencies and best practices in the health and human services programs. The County of Riverside strives to operate as cost effectively and efficiently as possible across all department programs to ensure optimal, customer-focused service delivery.

Existing law authorizes the Counties of Humboldt, Mendocino, San Diego, and Alameda to implement a program for the funding and delivery of services and benefits through an integrated and comprehensive county health and human services system, subject to certain limitations. AB 2821 would authorize the County of Riverside, upon approval of the County Board of Supervisors, to operate an integrated and comprehensive health and human services system.

AB 2821 would allow the County to maintain and evaluate a system of administration that integrates and coordinates the management and support of client services. Additionally, the measure allows the County to maintain a system of reporting and accountability that provides for the combined provision of services without the loss of state or federal funds provided under current law. The County of Riverside believes these provisions would offer additional programmatic and budget flexibility, which, in turn, would assist in our goal of improving the outcomes of the residents served by Riverside County.

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For these reasons, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors supports and is pleased to sponsor AB 2821. If you have any questions about the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact our Deputy County Executive Officer, Brian Nestande, at (951) 955-1110, bnestande@rivco.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chuck Washington". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Chuck" being more prominent than the last name "Washington".

Chuck Washington
Chairman, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

cc: The Honorable Blanca Rubio, Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee
Members and Consultants, Assembly Human Services Committee
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