May 17, 2017

The Honorable Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher  
Chair, Assembly Appropriations Committee  
State Capitol, Room 2114  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer) Counties and cities: contracts for personal services.  
City of Beverly Hills – OPPOSE

Dear Chair Gonzalez Fletcher,

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I regretfully write to you in OPPOSITION to AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer), which would effectively eliminate the ability of cities and counties to contract for services.

Local governments are faced with limited resources and budgets to obtain expertise and provide high quality services for our communities. Flexibility to creatively procure services is critical. While many services are provided by city employees, in some cases local governments find it cost-effective to provide services, such as refuse collection and other specialized services, on a contract basis.

AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer) adds onerous, over-prescriptive, unnecessary requirements that essentially strip cities and counties of the ability to contract for services. This bill impedes local control and substantially burdens local agencies. The City of Beverly Hills is committed to preserving local control, as localities are best able make decisions about managing limited resources to effectively serve our communities.

For these reasons, the City of Beverly Hills regretfully OPPOSES AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer). Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lili Bosse  
Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

Cc: Members and Consultants, Assembly Appropriations Committee  
The Honorable Reginald Jones-Sawyer, 59th Assembly District  
The Honorable Richard Bloom, 50th Assembly District  
The Honorable Ben Allen, 26th Senate District  
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