

April 7, 2016

The Honorable Ben Hueso California State Senate State Capitol, Room 4035 Sacramento, CA 95814

Bruce Presser President

Re: Senate Bill 957 - SUPPORT

Jeffrey Walker President-Elect

Dear Senator Hueso:

Michael Cooper Vice President

Ralph Guida, IV Secretary-Treasurer

On behalf of the American Council of Engineering Companies, California, I write in support of your Senate Bill 957, which would authorize, until January 1, 2025, any health care district to use the design-build process when contracting for the construction of a hospital or health facility building.

Mary Erchul

Immediate Past President

John Moossazadeh ACEC National Director

> **Brad Diede** Executive Director

SB 957 simply expands the ability to use the design-build process from a few select health care districts to all health care districts in the entire state. This is an appropriate expansion of authority that would allow all health care districts to utilize this tool, which has a proven track record in accelerating infrastructure projects, decreasing costs and leveraging private equity.

ACEC California represents approximately 950 engineering and land surveying firms and 22,000 professionals who provide a wide variety of engineering, surveying, environmental consulting and construction management services for all types of residential, public works, commercial and industrial projects, and we thank you for your leadership on this issue.

Sincerely.

Kelly Garman

Director of Government Affairs