



California State Association of Counties

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Assembly Bill 1250 (Jones-Sawyer)

“NO” VOTE REQUESTED

Hinders Non-Profit Contracts that Serve the Most Vulnerable

Assembly Third Reading File #85

The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) **opposes AB 1250 and urges your NO vote on** this de facto prohibition on contracted services. The measure will hinder services provided to the most vulnerable Californians by non-profit organizations in our 58 counties.

Impacted Contractors Include Non-Profit Service Providers

AB 1250 creates onerous new burdens on contracting firms that are defined as “a corporation, partnership, **non-profit organization**, or sole proprietorship.” The significant hurdles imposed by AB 1250, including paying for an annual audit, would deter or prevent non-profit organizations from entering into contracts with counties and limit service options and availability.

What Critical Services?

Non-profits provide a wide array of services in partnership with counties. This includes warming and cooling centers, child abuse and neglect counselors, health specialists, senior services, and services for people experiencing homelessness. Emergency medical care and pre-hospital transport services would also be subject to AB 1250.

Current Contracts Are Impacted

AB 1250 applies to contracted services that are currently or customarily performed by any city or county. It includes county contracts beginning after January 2018 as well as renewals and extensions of existing contracts. Counties **cannot extend an established, existing contract** without completing a comprehensive audit, based on specific factors. That audit is to be paid for by the nonprofit organization or firm and the costs cannot be passed onto the county.

Burden on Contracted Service Providers Still Hurts Bottom Line

Simply shifting requirements and costs from the county to the contracted service provider still hurts the bottom line – the opportunity for counties to use taxpayer dollars efficiently and to serve the needs of their residents. AB 1250 won't equate to services being provided by local agency employees. It means **counties will offer fewer services if they can still be offered at all.**

If you have any questions about our request for a NO vote please contact Dorothy Johnson, Legislative Representative, at (916) 650-8133.