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The Honorable Ed Chau Chair, Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee State Capitol, Room 5016 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 210 (Santiago) – Homeless Multidisciplinary Team As Amended on April 18, 2017 – SUPPORT

Set for Hearing on April 25, 2017 – Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection

Committee

Dear Assembly Member Chau:

The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) is pleased to have a SUPPORT position on AB 210 by Assembly Member Miguel Santiago, which would authorize counties to establish a homeless adult, child, and family interdisciplinary personnel team to facilitate the expedited identification, assessment, and linkage of homeless individuals to housing and supportive services within a county.

Under current law, counties lack statutory authority to share data within county services on homeless youth, families, or single adults. The ability to share information would allow county departments and agencies to know what services homeless persons are currently receiving or have received in the past. The ability to share this and other information would help facilitate the identification, assessment, and linkage of homeless youth, families, and individuals to the most appropriate housing and supportive services.

It is for these reasons that CSAC supports AB 210 and respectfully requests your "Aye" vote to help counties achieve better coordination of services and to strengthen the continuity of care for the homeless population. Should you or your staff have additional questions about our position, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 327-7500 ext. 509 or dbaker@counties.org.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Miguel Santiago Member, California State Assembly Honorable Members, Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee Jennie Bretschneider, Consultant, Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee

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