



AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer) – OPPOSITION FACT SHEET

WHAT DOES AB 1250 DO?

AB 1250 would mandate additional requirements for counties' use of personal services contracts that would apply to all new, renewed and extended personal services contracts **beginning, January 1, 2018**. The measure would impose specified metrics under which cost-savings assessments must be made; increase standard contract wages; burden counties and contractors with onerous audit and disclosure requirements; among other provisions – all of which would virtually eliminate the County's ability to contract for services.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors urges your “NO” vote on AB 1250 for the following reasons:

- Thousands of contracts in Los Angeles County would be significantly affected by AB 1250. Should the measure be enacted, the County would lose valued community partnerships, be forced to eliminate service delivery options, be forced to change existing contracting processes across 38 departments and re-train or re-assign thousands of employees.
- AB 1250 would limit local governments ability to contract out for services and would have a significant impact across all areas of County service, such as: **Health, Mental Health, Homeless Services, Children's Services, Legal Services; Library Services, various consulting services; Criminal Justice Programs, Veterans Assistance; Victims Services, Welfare-to-Work** programs as well as numerous other **Supportive Social Services for the most vulnerable residents of Los Angeles County. Examples of impacted contracts include:**
 - Hundreds of contracts for mental health services which would hamper the County's network of Mental Health Providers and possibly leave thousands of clients without treatment;
 - Essential contracts for services used to combat homelessness for thousands of families and individuals such as General Relief Participants, homeless veterans, inmates in jail facilities and disabled, homeless individuals would be restricted;
 - Many contracts that provide services essential to the implementation of programs that provide for the nearly 35,000 foster children under the care of Los Angeles County would be prohibited under the provisions of AB 1250.
- Innovation and flexibility in delivery of services to program participants and vulnerable populations must be preserved for counties large and small. Under AB 1250, Los Angeles County would lose the ability to implement creative solutions to serve hard to reach residents, such as, our homeless population which was recently counted as 57,794.
- The measure's prescriptive requirements are unreasonable. For example, the effective date of January 1, 2018 would require Los Angeles County to plan for and execute significant administrative changes to contracting procedures and protocol, as well as our system of service delivery in less than six months. This is simply unrealistic for a County with over 108,000 employees that serve over 10 million residents.