Legislative Advocacy Letters

Santa Barbara County
Board of Supervisors
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State Constitutional Amendment 7

- Authored by Senator Wolk (SD-3)
- Constitutional measure that reduces the local vote threshold for library taxes and construction bonds from the current two-thirds vote to 55%.
- Enables a steady source of funding for libraries if the citizens vote to make it a priority
- LPC Recommendation = Support



Assembly Bill 919

- Authored by Assemblymember Williams (AD-37)
- Creates a temporary grant program to reimburse:
 - Qualified veterans,
 - Working as itinerant vendors

for a portion of taxes, interest and penalties paid between April 1, 2002, and April 1, 2010.

- Funding is capped at \$50,000 statewide
- LPC Recommendation = Support



Assembly Bill 52

- Authored by Assemblymember Gatto (AD-43)
- Introduces a new type of resource into CEQA, the Tribal Cultural Resource,
- Tribal cultural resources may include sites, features, places, objects, cultural landscapes and sacred places.
- LPC recommendation = Watch



Recommended Actions

- Consider taking a support position on SCA 7 and AB 919,
- Consider taking a watch position on AB 52, and
- Authorize the Chair to sign and direct staff to forward appropriate advocacy letters

