



# San Bernardino County

## Legislation Text

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### **REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AND RECORD OF ACTION**

**December 17, 2019**

#### **FROM**

**CURT HAGMAN, Chairman and Fourth District Supervisor, Board of Supervisors**

#### **SUBJECT**

Support balanced energy solutions and local control for energy solutions

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

1. Adopt resolution supporting a balanced energy policy and local control of energy choices.
2. Direct staff to add the policy position to the State and Federal Legislative Platforms.

(Presenter: Curt Hagman, Chairman, Board of Supervisors, 387-4866)

#### **COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Promote the Countywide Vision.**

**Create, Maintain and Grow Jobs and Economic Value in the County.**

**Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County.**

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.**

#### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost).

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

California has been a leader in efforts to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs) through ambitious legislation, policies and regulations. Electrical generating facilities, businesses and homes rely on a diverse and flexible portfolio of energy sources, including wind, solar, natural gas and hydroelectricity. Currently, the Legislature and regulatory agencies are proposing legislation and regulations that have the potential to eliminate the choice of energy by mandating technologies, including full electrification, to power buildings and public and private fleets, including transit, as a strategy to achieve the state's climate goals.

Maintaining local control over energy choice is critical to ensure a flexible, reliable and affordable supply that best serves the needs of our residents and businesses. Relying on a single energy delivery system increases vulnerability and increases costs.

The County supports balanced energy solutions that provide it with the decision-making authority and resources needed to achieve the state's climate goals.

#### **PROCUREMENT**

N/A

**REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Penny Alexander-Kelley, Chief Assistant County Counsel, 387-4270) on December 10, 2019; Finance (Kathleen Gonzalez, Administrative Analyst, 387-5412) on December 10, 2019; and County Finance and Administration (Matthew Erickson, County Chief Financial Officer, 387-5423) on December 10, 2019.