



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 7/9/2024

File #: 24-1079

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Mike Wilson

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Letter of Support for California Senate Bill (SB) 1053 (Blakespear) - Solid Waste: Reusable Grocery Bags: Standards: Plastic Film Prohibition

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the attached letter of support for SB 1053.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Core Services/Other

Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

DISCUSSION:

SB 1053 (Blakespear) revises the state's single-use carryout bag ban to eliminate the distribution of thicker film plastic bags and limits the distribution of bags at the point of sale to recycled paper bags. It would prohibit stores from selling reusable grocery bags to consumers unless they meet specified standards. This ban would begin in January 2025.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There are no costs directly associated with signing the attached letter of support for SB 1053.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose to edit the letter or not send the letter. This is not recommended as the letter supports positive legislation for and environmental cause that the County of Humboldt has previously supports.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. SB 1053 Letter of Support
2. SB 1053

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PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: N/A

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