

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Certified copy of portion of proceedings, Meeting on October 3, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 23-137

**RESOLUTION OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CLERK, RECORDER & REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, TO NOT
PRINT THE LIST OF SUPPORTERS AND OPPONENTS OF LOCAL MEASURES ON THE
COUNTY BALLOT AND FUTURE COUNTY BALLOTS**

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill (AB) 1416 was passed by the State Legislature in 2022 with an effective date of January 1, 2023. AB 1416 adds a requirement for statewide measures that a listing of the supporters and opponents of measures be listed on the ballot label or that a similar description be provided on the ballot, but gives counties the option of printing the list of supporters and opponents of local measures on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code section 9170(d), which was added pursuant to AB 1416 states as follows:


At least 30 days before the deadline for submitting arguments for or against county measures, a county board of supervisors may elect not to list supporters and opponents for county, city, district and school measures on the county ballot and future county ballots.

WHEREAS, opting into the additional printing will result in cost increases for ballot production and printing, will result in additional ballot space for each local measure printed on the ballot, and will increase the possibility for electioneering and promotion of candidates who may be on the ballot and are also signers of the measure; and

WHEREAS, the requirement of printing the list of supporters and opponents would also put the Elections Office in the position of accepting or denying abbreviations of supporters/opponents that may not be clear due to the maximum character limit of 125 characters each, and in turn may result in challenges to perceived unfair determinations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That pursuant to Elections Code section 9170(d), the Board elects not to list supporters and opponents for county, city, district and school measures on the county ballot and future county ballots.
2. This Resolution shall take effect on and after its adoption.



Steve Madrone, Chair of the Board

Adopted on motion by Supervisor Wilson, Seconded by Supervisor Bushnell, and the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors: Wilson, Bushnell, Madrone, Bohn, Arroyo

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

County of Humboldt)

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct copy of the original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California as the same now appears of record in my Office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.



NIKKI TURNER

Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of
the County of Humboldt, State of California