



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 12/16/2025

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File #: 25-1449

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Supervisor Natalie Arroyo

**Agenda Section:** Consent

**Vote Requirement:** Majority

**SUBJECT:**

Letter of Support for Senate Bill 694 (Archuleta) - Veterans Benefits Protection Act of 2025

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the letter of support; and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to send the letter.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

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

Area of Focus: Safe & Healthy Communities

Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

**DISCUSSION:**

Supervisor Arroyo would like the Board of Supervisors to send a letter of support for Senate Bill 694, which strengthens consumer protections for California's Veterans. This bill would prohibit unaccredited sources from charging for assistance for VA benefit claims, penalize for unauthorized access to veterans' data on secure VA systems, and codify reasonable fee standards. This will allow Veterans the deserved transparent, qualified, accountable representation when navigating access to benefits.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

General Fund

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact to this agenda item.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

There is no staffing impact to writing the letter of support.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None

**ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Board discretion

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Letter of Support  
SB 694

**PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:**

Meeting of: N/A  
File No.: N/A