

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

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| For the meeting of: | April 17, 2018 |
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Date:

April 17, 2018

To:

Board of Supervisors

From:

Supervisor Rex Bohn

Subject:

Letter of Support for SB965 (McGuire) relating to the establishment of a California Cattle

Council.

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to sign the letter of support.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: SB965 will ensure the creation of an eleven member Council which would utilize funds to help California specific research, education, and promotion on the raising of California beef and dairy cattle. It would recognize that all types of California cattle production are equally important and provide consumers with a diverse collection of safe and nutritious beef and dairy production.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Letter of support.

| Prepared by | Tracy Damico | | Signature Leg T |
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| REVIEW: | | | |
| Auditor | County Counsel | Personnel | Risk Manager Other |
| Public Other | ent etmental c Hearing ION/REFERRAL: | | BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT Upon motion of Supervisor Bass Seconded by Supervisor Fennell Ayes Bass, Fennell, Sundberg, Bohn Nays Abstain Absent Wilson and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the |
| Meeting of: | | | Dated: 4/17/18 By: Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board |

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

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April 17, 2018

The Honorable Mike McGuire Member, California State Senate State Capitol, Room 5061 Sacramento, Ca. 95814

Re:

Senate Bill 965 - SUPPORT

Dear Senator McGuire:

On behalf of Humboldt County, we are writing to express our support for your Senate Bill 965, which would establish the California Cattle Council. As you know, Humboldt County has a large population of dairy and beef cattlemen.

An eleven-member Council would be able to utilize funds collected through a refundable assessment of \$1-per-head on cattle for California-specific research, education, and promotion on the raising of California beef and dairy cattle. SB 965 would provide assistance to cattle producers to conduct productive research, promote environmentally sustainable production methods, and promote economic viability in rural communities, such as Humboldt County.

SB 965 would also recognize that all types of California cattle production are equally important and provide consumers with a diverse collection of safe and nutritious beef and dairy products. In Humboldt specifically, there is a large grass-fed cattle industry which would benefit from the Council. Therefore, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors support SB965 which would ensure that cattle producers are given the tools they need to thrive in an ever-changing industry.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ryan Sundberg, Chair

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

Cc: Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee