



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 4/16/2019

File #: 19-526

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Mike Wilson

Agenda Section: Initiated by Board Member

SUBJECT:

Consider Support for Senate Bill 212 (SB 212)(Senator Ben Allen) to Give General Law Cities, Counties and School Districts the Ability to Adopt two Majority-Winner Voting Methods: two-Round Runoff and Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) for Local Elections (Supervisor Mike Wilson)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Consider sending a letter in support of SB 212 to the Chair of the Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee, State Capitol, Room #2203, Sacramento, CA 95814.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

DISCUSSION:

SB 212 would authorize general law cities, general law counties and school districts to utilize two majority-winner voting methods for local elections: a two-round runoff and ranked choice voting (RCV). RCV can be used in single-seat or multi-seat elections, and would give local jurisdictions the same flexibility that charter cities or counties already have to conduct their elections.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. SB 212 Bill Text
- B. SB 212 Fact Sheet

C. Proposed Letter in Support of SB 212

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A

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