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To: City of Cupertino
Legislative Review Committee

From: Townsend Public Affairs, Inc.

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Subject: Consider adopting a position on Assembly Constitutional Amendment 4 (Kiley) Elections: Initiatives and Referenda

Summary

ACA 4 would transfer, from the Attorney General, to the Legislative Analyst, the duty of preparing the title and summary for a proposed initiative or referendum. The bill would also require, for each measure that appears on a statewide ballot, the Legislative Analyst to prepare the ballot label and the ballot title and summary for the state voter information guide.

Should ACA 4 be approved by the Legislature, it would appear on a statewide ballot and need to be approved by a majority of voters at a statewide election prior to becoming law.

Status

ACA 4 was introduced on February 17th. The bill has not yet been referred to policy committee.

Support

Since ACA 4 has not yet been set for hearing, an official list of supporters is not yet available.

Opposition

Since ACA 4 has not yet been set for hearing, an official list of opposition is not yet available.

Recommended Action

Adopt a watch position on ACA 4

Note: ACA 4 appears to fall outside of the scope of the City's Legislative Platform. It is unclear if, or when, the measure may be heard in a policy committee, as such, it may be appropriate to monitor the bill and consider a position at a later date.