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March 27, 2023

The Honorable Assemblymember Isaac G. Bryan
Chair, Assembly Elections Committee
1020 N Street, Room 365
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: AB 969 (Pellerin) Elections: voting systems - SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Bryan:

The California Association of Clerks and Election Officials (CACEO) Elections Legislative Committee is pleased to support Assembly Bill 969 (Pellerin), on the requirement to ensure that a transition plan is in place prior to terminating an existing voting system contract.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a local jurisdiction to adopt a voting system for use in an election if the system has been certified or conditionally approved by the Secretary of State.

This bill would prohibit a county board of supervisors from terminating an existing voting system contract without a transition plan and a replacement contract in place.

CACEO greatly appreciates Assemblymember Pellerin's desire to ensure that voters in each county with a State-certified voting system will always have a voting system in place to conduct elections. We respectfully request the committee's AYE vote on AB 969.

If you or your staff has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at bob.page@ocvote.gov or (714) 567-7620, or my co-chairs James Kus, at jkus@fresnocountyca.gov or (559) 600-1730 or Tricia Webber at tricia.webber@santacruzcounty.us or (831) 454-2409.

Respectfully,

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