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March 25, 2009

The Honorable Mary Hayashi, Chair Assembly Business and Professions Committee State Capitol, Room Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Assembly Bill 620 (John Perez), Related to County Clerks

California Association of Clerks and Election Officials...SPONSOR

Dear Assemblymember Hayashi:

The California Association of Clerks and Election Officials (CACEO) is the sponsor of Assembly Bill 620 (John Perez), which makes various technical changes intended to clean up the Business and Professions Code by updating several sections pertaining to county clerks. AB 620 is scheduled to be heard in your Assembly Business and Professions Committee on Tuesday, April 21, 2009.

Assembly Bill 620 is the product of a comprehensive review of the Business and Professions Code. County Clerks identified numerous sections of the Code in need of updating, clarifying and simplifying. Specifically, this bill changes the size requirements of identification cards that county clerks issue to specified professionals to be a minimum of 3 ¼ by 2 inches. It removes the requirement that clerks issue additional cards to employees of legal document assistants and unlawful detainer assistants. It further provides that identification cards issued to partnerships, corporations or entities with multiple persons do not require a photograph. This bill also permits county clerks to discard undeliverable "fictitious business name" statements and requires applicants to sign their applications for registration of professional photocopiers under penalty of perjury.

These adjustments to current law will allow the county clerk to better serve their constituents and conserve valuable time, money and resources.

CACEO respectfully requests your support for AB 620.

Sincerely,

Matt Siverling Legislative Advocate CACEO

CC: Members and Consultants, Assembly Business and Professions Committee

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