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March 9, 2011

State Senator Lou Correa State Capitol, Room 5052 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Correa:

The California Association of Clerks and Election Officials' Elections Legislative Committee is pleased to convey its Support of SB 205 (as introduced February 8, 2011).

This proposal will prohibit any person, company, or organization from paying money or providing other valuable consideration on a per-affidavit basis to any person assisting a person registering to vote. It also increases the penal provisions, establishing a misdemeanor for failure to comply. As election officials are responsible for the integrity of the voter registration list and eligibility to vote, including enlisting deputy registrars who register eligible voters, creating a misdemeanor crime for a per-affidavit payment or consideration will not only deter individuals from filing fraudulent affidavits of registration but will further protect the integrity of the list of eligible voters.

If you or your staff have any guestions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me in the Sonoma County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor's Office at (707) 565-1876.

Very truly yours,

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Correspondence Secretary California Association of Clerks

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