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3 June 2010

Honorable Cameron Smyth, Chair
Assembly Local Government Committee
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4098
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: **SUPPORT of SB 894: Senate Local Government Committee Omnibus Bill**

Dear Assembly Member Smyth:

The California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions is pleased to support SB 894, the Senate Local Government Committee bill which makes a number of non-substantive changes to various local government laws.

This is an annual bill which makes a variety of technical changes and improvements to laws which affect the work of local agency formation commissions and other local governments. Typically these are small inconsistencies or clarifications which are needed to make the laws as unambiguous as possible. For example, this bill removes an antiquated, contradictory provision on statute of limitations for lawsuits challenging city boundary changes. This legislation helps insure that laws affecting local agencies remain vital and practical.

SB 894 adds clarity and transparency to the laws and helps assure their better implementation. CALAFCO respectfully requests the support of your Committee for this legislation. Thank you for your consideration.

Please feel free to contact me if I can provide additional information.

Yours sincerely,



William Chiat,
Executive Director

c: Members, Assembly Local Government Committee
Senator Dave Cox, Chair, Senate Local Government Committee
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