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The Honorable Cecilia Aguiar-Curry
Chair, Assembly Local Government Committee
1021 O St., Ste. 6350
Sacramento, CA 95814**RE: SUPPORT, AB 910 (Wilson) County officers: auditors: qualifications**

Dear Chairwoman Aguiar-Curry,

On behalf of the Solano County Board of Supervisors, I write in support of AB 910, which would clarify the prerequisites needed to run for the office of the County Auditor-Controller.

Even though the existing law has guidelines, they are subjective and have been the topic of debate for many years. AB 910 would help clarify the prerequisites needed to run for the office of the County Auditor-Controller by removing public accountant from the criteria, requiring a major in Business Administration or Accounting, removing service in a private firm, and require dealing with similar public and auditing responsibilities and managing a comparable budget. AB 910 would also help clarify the prerequisites by changing the criteria from 16 to 24 college semester units in accounting, financial reporting, auditing, or taxation. All these amendments are needed because they help ensure that the qualifications match the needed skills for an important financial position within Counties.

Furthermore, legislation like AB 910 is needed because the office of the Auditor-Controller is the chief accounting officer in charge for budget control, disbursements and receipts, and financial reporting. This office is also responsible for audits of certain agencies within the county; all of which are essential to help Counties, and the California Government more generally, run efficiently, with transparency and accountability.

For these reasons, Solano County is pleased to support AB 910.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John M. Vasquez".

John M. Vasquez, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors**CC:**The Honorable Bill Dodd, Senator
The Honorable Lori D. Wilson, Assemblymember
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The Honorable Solano County Board of Supervisors
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