



County Administrative Office
Governmental & Legislative Affairs

Josh Candelaria
Director

March 12, 2015

The Honorable Jay Obernolte
California State Assembly
State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 203 – As introduced February 26, 2015 - (SUPPORT)

Dear Assemblyman Obernolte:

The County of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 203, legislation that would extend the period for paying or disputing a fire prevention fee from 30 days to 60 days from the date of assessment.

The fee applies to about 100,000 properties in San Bernardino and Riverside counties. Many of these property owners already pay an assessment for fire protection and prevention services. As you know, the imposition of the fee raised a number of equity, administrative, legal and logistical concerns in our mountain communities. AB 203 would give property owners 60 days to pay or dispute the fire prevention fee, rather than the 30 days allowed under existing law. This would allow sufficient time for those residents to review their assessment and account for any delays.

For these reasons, the County of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 203. If you have any questions, please contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or jcandelaria@sbcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

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JAMES RAMOS
Board of Supervisors Chairman
Third District Supervisor
County of San Bernardino

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JANICE RUTERFORD
Board of Supervisors
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