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Director

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The Honorable Toni Atkins  
President Pro Tempore, California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 205  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 593 (Carillo) – As Introduced February 14, 2019 - **SUPPORT**

Dear President Atkins:

The County of San Bernardino is pleased to support for AB 593, which will update the Unemployment Insurance Code (UIC) to allow further database access to Local Workforce Development Board (LWDBs).

The WIOA Federal funding to LWDBs come with some of the most stringent reporting requirements of job-training programs in the Country. This also means that extensive wage information is available from and stored in the State of California's Employment Development Department's (EDD) CalJOBS online database. Unfortunately, EDD's ability to share this information with local boards is limited by the current wording of the Unemployment Insurance Code (UIC). Access to this data is critical for long-range program effectiveness.

Through EDD's CalJOBS system LWDBs are currently able to obtain limited wage information for clients served with WIOA funding. This information includes: client name, social security number, workforce program completion dates, employer and quarterly wages for the 4 quarters following a client's completion of WIOA-funded workforce programming. This data allows local boards to track if WIOA clients gain employment and report wages in the 4 quarters after they have received workforce development services.

LWDBs often have diverse funding streams that include dollars beyond Federal WIOA funds, coming from county, city, State, or philanthropic sources, there are some LWDBs in California have as little as 8% of their overall budget composed of federal funds. LWDB's must still report the clients served in CalJobs to EDD, no matter the funding stream. The current wording of the CUIC limits a LWDB from using non-federal funds to track the effectiveness of their programs using CalJOBS data.

Currently, County Social Services Agencies are among several entities that already utilize this kind of access to the Base Wage File data discussed in this measure. By clarifying and expanding access to include LWDBs and County and City Agencies serving as a Federal Recognized LWDB, California can better analyze the investments we have made in Workforce Development over the years to provide critical skills and services to our State's Job Seekers and Businesses.

For the above reasons, the County of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 593. If you have any questions regarding the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or [jcandelaria@sbcountry.gov](mailto:jcandelaria@sbcountry.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Curt Hagman".

Curt Hagman  
Fourth District Supervisor  
Chairman, San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors

cc: Honorable Wendy Carillo

San Bernardino County Legislative Delegation

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