

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the California Business Roundtable filed the "Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act" to be considered for the November 2022 ballot; and

WHEREAS, the ballot measure would amend the State constitution to change the ways in which State and local governments can impose taxes, fees, and other charges; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the measure would broaden the definition of tax to include certain charges that state and local governments currently classify as fees, and would require that any proposed tax increase receive the approval of two-thirds of each house of the Legislature in addition to a majority vote of the statewide electorate; and

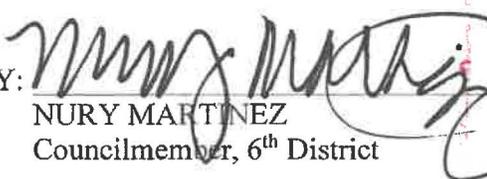
WHEREAS, the measure would establish the same approval requirements for increasing local special taxes, and it would nullify any tax measures passed between January and November of this year by cities, unless reenacted within 12 months, costing taxpayers more for elections; and

WHEREAS, according to the Legislative Analyst's Office in Sacramento, the measure would result in decreased revenue for state and local governments through taxes and fees; and

WHEREAS, local governments already face greater restrictions to raising revenue, and by expanding the definition of taxes and restricting administrative changes to fees, cities will find it more difficult to increase revenue from fees and taxes to fund community programs, infrastructure and other essential services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION to the "Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act" which would amend the State Constitution to impose restrictions on the ways in which State and local governments can impose taxes, fees, and other charges.

PRESENTED BY:


NURY MARTINEZ
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SECONDED BY:



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