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Assembly Member Jeff Gorell, Author
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Dear Assembly Member Gorell:

The California Association of Clerks and Election Officials Elections Legislative Committee is pleased to convey its **Support** for **AB 141** (as introduced January 17, 2013). This proposal establishes a vote threshold that a write-in candidate must reach at a primary election in order to have their name placed upon the general election ballot for a voter-nominated office.

This legislation clarifies the vote requirements a qualified write-in candidate must receive at a primary election in order to have their name placed on the ballot at the general election and will clarify the administration of the voter-approved "Open Primary Act" as it relates to placing candidate names on the general ballot.

If you or your staff have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Monterey County Elections Department, at (831) 796-1499.

Very truly yours,

Linda Tulett
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