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July 6, 2015

The Honorable Ben Allen
Chairman, Senate Elections and
Constitutional Amendments Committee
State Capitol, Room 2054
Sacramento, CA 95814

AB 1535 (Ridley-Thomas) -SUPPORT

Dear Senator Allen:

The California Association of Clerks and Elections Officials wishes to advise you that it supports AB 1535 which contains provisions requested by our Legislative Committee. The bill provides clarifying language on the requirements for requesting removal of a voter's name and signature from a petition and specifies the residency requirements for military and overseas voters. Both of these changes benefit voters and make it more likely that the voter's wishes and intent can be honored. The ability to consolidate in vote by mail elections, under certain conditions, offers cost savings and efficiencies to the districts and for administration of elections.

We are appreciative to the co-sponsoring Assembly Members; Gatto, Gordon, Mullin and Perea, for their interest in supporting efforts for clarifying and streamlining election codes and processes.

Should you have questions regarding our position, please contact me at the Contra Costa County Election Division at scott.konopasek@vote.cccounty.us or (925) 335-7808.

Respectfully,

Scott O. Konopasek
Corresponding Secretary
California Association of Clerks and Election Officials

Cc: Assembly Member Ridley-Thomas, Chair, Assembly Committee on Elections and Redistricting
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