



Assembly Member Susan Bonilla
State Capitol Building, Room 4140
Sacramento, CA 95814

June 4, 2014

RE: Notice of Support: AB 1147 (Bonilla, Gomez, Holden)

Dear Assembly Member Bonilla,

The City of Selma supports your AB 1147, which would completely revise and recast the law pertaining to massage therapy, including returning land use control back to the cities.

AB 1147 allows local governments to enact ordinances that would require a certificate of occupancy for a massage establishment to obtain a license, permit or other authorization as long as that license, permit or other authorization is required of any other individual or business providing professional services. Having this authority returned will allow local governments to prevent businesses operating under the auspices of massage therapy from engaging in prostitution and human trafficking.

The City of Selma has received applications from potential businesses that claim to operate a massage business. Having a license would allow us to monitor those business owners like we monitor other similar business types.

For these reasons, the City of Selma supports AB 1147.

Sincerely,
D-B Heusser
City Manager
City of Selma

CC: Assembly Member Jimmy Gomez, Assembly Member Chris Holden, Kirstin Kolpitke, League of California Cities , Assembly Member Henry Perea, Senator Andy Vidak