

The Honorable Bill Dodd
California State Assembly
State Capital Room
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 279 (Dodd) – Support

Dear Assemblyman Dodd:

On behalf of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, thank you for authoring AB 279, which will authorize counties to enter into reciprocal information-sharing agreements with the California Franchise Tax Board (FTB).

The information-sharing relationship is based on an existing relationship that cities are legislatively authorized to enter into with the FTB. This legislation will enhance information sharing and tax collection capabilities with our state partner, to maximize tax collection dollars from those taxpayers and businesses that owe taxes to either the State or County. We believe this relationship would be mutually beneficial.

Given the inextricable financial ties between counties and the state, it seems a logical and efficient addition to the statute to permit County Tax Collectors and their state counterparts to closely coordinate and share information, so as to ensure timely, efficient and accurate tax collection.

For all of these reasons, thank you for authoring AB 279, and we look forward to working with you in the coming months on this important and logical legislation.

Sincerely,

Brian Veerkamp, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
County of El Dorado

CC: State Controller Betty Yee
California Director of Finance Michael Cohen
California State Association of Counties
Franchise Tax Board