

RESOLUTION NO. 173-2016

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO OPPOSING THE PASSAGE OF PROPOSITION 61, THE STATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PURCHASES, PRICING STANDARDS INITIATIVE STATUTE

WHEREAS, the State Prescription Drug Purchases, Pricing Standards Initiative Statute, also known as Proposition 61 has been placed on the November 8, 2016 General Election Ballot; and

Whereas, Proposition 61 prohibits the state from buying any prescription drug from a drug manufacturer at a price over the lowest price paid for the drug by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs; and

Whereas, the County of El Dorado Veterans Affairs Commission and other veteran services organizations oppose the passage of Proposition 61; and

Whereas, currently the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) receives special discounts on prescription drugs for veterans in honor of their service to our country; and

Whereas, an unintended consequence of Proposition 61 could be to increase the health costs for veterans and their families; and

Whereas, a recent analysis by the VA noted that if Proposition 61 passed it could increase costs to the VA by \$3.8 billion annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors opposes the passage of Proposition 61, the State Prescription Drug Purchases, Pricing Standards Initiative Statute.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 11th day of October, 2016, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Ayes: Veerkamp, Ranalli, Mikulaco, Frentzen, Novasel

Noes: None Absent: None

Ron Mikulaco, Chair, Board of Supervisors