



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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Lili Bosse, Mayor

May 17, 2017

The Honorable Cristina Garcia
Chair, Assembly Natural Resources Committee
1020 N Street, Room 164
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1147 (Salas) Solid waste: disposal.
City of Beverly Hills – OPPOSE

Dear Chair Garcia,

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I write to you in **OPPOSITION** to **AB 1147 (Salas)**, which would establish unproductive requirements and create unnecessary costs for local governments.

Specifically, this bill would subject an “unauthorized person” to civil action for collecting, removing, or transporting solid waste generated by another person on residential, commercial, or industrial premises. While this measure is well-intended, and the theft of recyclables is important, this bill is redundant and unnecessary. State law (California Public Resources Code, Section 41954 et al.) already makes this activity a penalized violation and authorizes a local agency to adopt or enforce regulations or ordinances on this issue. **AB 1147 (Salas)** would impose an additional financial burden on local governments who will be tasked with enforcing more stringent laws.

Additionally, this bill could potentially penalize self-haulers who fail to meet the definition of “authorized person” but are legitimate haulers, such as non-profit organizations, construction contractors, or residential gardeners. Local governments have limited resources and competing priorities, and additional laws and enforcement requirements surrounding this issue are not necessarily a cost-effective use of resources to best serve our communities.

For these reasons, the City of Beverly Hills **OPPOSES AB 1147 (Salas)**. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lili Bosse
Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

Cc: Members and Consultants, Assembly Natural Resources Committee
The Honorable Rudy Salas, 32nd Assembly District
The Honorable Richard Bloom, 50th Assembly District
The Honorable Ben Allen, 26th Senate District
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