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The Honorable Matthew Harper
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 3149
Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: Assembly Bill 2880 (as amended April 17) – Support if Amended

Dear Assembly Member Harper:

I am pleased to inform you that at the May 17, 2018 meeting of the bipartisan Fair Political Practices Commission, the Commission voted to take a Support if Amended position on your bill, Assembly Bill 2880, which would amend the Political Reform Act.

AB 2880 would authorize the governing body of a local government agency to contract with the Commission for the impartial administration, implementation, and enforcement of a local campaign finance or government ethics laws limited to jurisdictions of less than 3,000,000 residents. The bill would further clarify that the contracts with the City of Sacramento and County of San Bernardino will continue as contracted. Lastly, the bill would require a report to the Legislature by January 1, 2025.

The Commission recommends three amendments be added to AB 2880:

- 1) The Commission is requesting an addition to subsection (d) that the terms of any agreement between a local government agency and the Commission include full reimbursement for all direct and indirect costs.
- 2) The Commission is requesting an addition to subsection (e) requiring 180-day notice be provided when a local government agency or the Commission wishes to terminate an agreement.
- 3) Lastly, the Commission is requesting an addition to the bill that requires the financial terms of any agreement between a local government agency and the Commission be approved by the Director of the Department of Finance.

For these reasons, the Commission has a Support if Amended position on AB 2880. If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 322-7635 or pung@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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