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Honorable Juan Arambula, Member
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2141
Sacramento, CA 95814

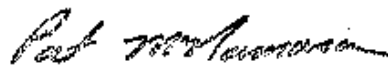
RE: SB 441 - SUPPORT

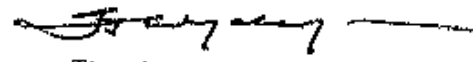
Dear Assemblymember Arambula:

The Riverside Sheriffs' Association, which represents over 3,200 rank and file deputy sheriffs, sheriffs, deputy probation officers, law enforcement investigators and counselors, coroners and bailiffs - the entire law enforcement team in the County of Riverside - supports your bill, SB 441.

SB 441 removes the Corrections Standard Authority (CSA) from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). Since the CSA's principal function has been to oversee local corrections, it makes policy sense to make it independent of CDCR. Historically, CSA (formerly the Board of Corrections) had the reputation as being one of the most effective boards and commissions because of its stellar work with local juvenile justice programs. SB 441 reorganizes the CSA to provide a much needed independent state entity with a broader mandate to coordinate state and local law enforcement on crime prevention, particularly in the juvenile justice area.

Very truly yours,


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