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# NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Minh Tran - County Executive Officer

County Executive Office

**REPORT BY:** Molly Rattigan, Deputy County Executive Officer - 253-4112

SUBJECT: AB 632-Counties: Offices: Consolidation of Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector

# **RECOMMENDATION**

County Executive Officer requests discussion and possible action on whether to seek inclusion of Napa County in AB 632 (Aguiar-Curry), a bill that amends the Government Code to authorize certain counties, by adoption of an ordinance by the Board of Supervisors, the option to consolidate the elected offices of Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector. (Unanimous vote required)

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of today's item is for discussion and possible direction to staff to seek amendments to Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry bill, AB 632, to add Napa County to the list of counties eligible to adopt an ordinance consolidating the elected offices of Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector.

# PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Staff reports
- 2. Public comments
- 3. Motion, second and vote on item

# FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

#### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

On February 15, 2019, Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry introduced AB 632: Counties: Offices: Consolidations.

Existing law authorizes the board of supervisors of specified counties to, by ordinance, consolidate the duties of the offices of Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector into the elected office of Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector. The specified counties currently includes: Mendocino, Santa Cruz, Sonoma, Trinity and Tulare. AB 632 as introduced would add Lake County to the list of counties able to consolidate the duties of the two offices into an elected position. The legislation is a non-urgency bill and if passed and signed by the Governor, would become effective January 1, 2020.

If the Board of Supervisors is interested in considering the consolidation of the Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector positions into a single elected position in Napa County, the first step would be to seek legislative action to add Napa County to the list of counties in the Government Code that are authorized to consolidate by adoption of an ordinance. Given that AB 632 is already introduced, the Board could direct staff to work with Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry to include Napa County in the legislation.

Inclusion in the legislation would not commit the current Board or a future board to consolidation of the two elected positions, it is one mechanism that would allow the Board to consider consolidation.

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . AB 632

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi