

TO THE COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your **RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS** Committee

reports as follows:

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to the City's position to oppose Senate Bill (SB) 649 (Leno) which would grant prosecutors the ability to file misdemeanor rather than felony charges in drug possession cases.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Parks – Perry), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2013-14 State Legislative Program, OPPOSITION to SB 649 (Leno), which would grant prosecutors the ability to file misdemeanor rather than felony charges in drug possession cases where an individual is charged with the possession of certain narcotics.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA). The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its regular meeting of May 17, 2013, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a CLA report dated May 15, 2013 and Resolution (Parks – Perry) relative to the City's position to oppose SB 649 (Leno), which would grant prosecutors the ability to file misdemeanor rather than felony charges in drug possession cases where an individual is charged with the possession of certain narcotics, such as cocaine or heroin. The CLA report, attached to Council File No. 13-0002-S39, provides a summary of the Resolution and additional background information.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying Resolution. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
WESSON:	YES
LABONGE:	ABSENT
HUIZAR:	YES

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