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September 6, 2013

To All Interested Parties:

**Chief Legislative Analyst**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under  
Council File No. 13-0002-S88, at its meeting held September 3, 2013.

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SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR

COUNCIL FILE NO. 13-0002-S88

COUNCIL DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE SEPTEMBER 3, 2013

RE: ESTABLISHING A CITY POSITION ON SB 566 (LENO) IN THE CITY'S 2013-14 STATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

LAST DAY FOR MAYOR TO ACT SEP 16 2013  
[10 Day Charter requirement as per Charter Section 231(h)]

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APPROVED

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\*DISAPPROVED

\*Transmit objections in writing pursuant to Charter Section 231 (h)

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RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to establishing a City position on SB 566 (Leno) in the City's 2013-14 State Legislative Program.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Resolution (Parks – Perry), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

1. ADOPT the accompanying Resolution (Wesson - LaBonge) establishing a position of support for SB 566 (Leno) in the City's 2013-14 State Legislative Program which would permit hemp to be grown in California, upon federal approval, by excluding "industrial hemp" from the definition of "marijuana" and define industrial hemp as a non-psychoactive type of the plant Cannabis sativa L. that has no more than 0.3% of Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) in the dried flowering tops.
2. RECEIVE AND FILE Resolution (Parks - Perry), attached to the Council file, relative to establishing a City position of opposition to SB 566 (Leno) in the City's 2013-14 State Legislative Program.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the Chief Legislative Analyst nor the City Administrative Officer has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At a Special Meeting held August 30, 2013, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental, Relations Committee considered this matter. The Committee introduced Resolution (Wesson - LaBonge) and recommended that Council adopt the subject Resolution and receive and file Resolution (Parks - Perry). This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE



MEMBERS VOTE

WESSON YES  
HUIZAR ABSENT  
LABONGE YES

**ADOPTED**

SEP 03 2013

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

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MAYOR WITH FILE

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, under current law, the cultivation of hemp is prohibited in California; and

WHEREAS, current law does not differentiate between cultivation of marijuana and hemp, even though both plants are significantly different; and

WHEREAS, unlike the marijuana variant of the plant Cannabis sativa L., the hemp variety has little or no Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) content, and no psychoactive properties; and

WHEREAS, hemp is also visually distinct from marijuana and it is planted and maintained in a different manner than the narcotic plant; and

WHEREAS, hemp is currently used in a variety of products, including health and beauty products, industrial plastic composites, bedding and construction materials, and oils and paints among others; and


WHEREAS, SB 566 (Leno) would allow for the cultivation of hemp in California, upon federal approval, by amending the definition of marijuana to exclude hemp; and

WHEREAS, SB 566 creates a strong regulatory structure, including the testing of THC content in hemp crops before their harvest; and

WHEREAS, SB 566 would enable California farmers to take advantage of the increasing demand for hemp and hemp products;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013 - 2014 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 566, which would permit hemp to be grown in California, upon federal approval, by excluding "industrial hemp" from the definition of "marijuana" and define industrial hemp as a non-psychoactive type of the plant Cannabis sativa L. that has no more than 0.3% of Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) in the dried flowering tops.

PRESENTED BY

  
HERB J. WESSON, JR.  
Councilmember, 10<sup>th</sup> District

**ADOPTED**  
SEP 03 2013  
LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

SECONDED BY

