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Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee  
Sabrina Cervantes, Chair

**SB 266**

**OPPOSE**

Members of the Committee,

Election Integrity Project<sup>®</sup> *California*, Inc. (EIPCa) **OPPOSES SB 266** as written and amended as of the date of this letter.

SB 266 imposes on the Secretary of State's office a mandate "to determine [after each presidential election year] the number of residents of voting age in each precinct who are members of a single language minority group and lack sufficient skills in English to vote without assistance, and to post on the Secretary of State's website a list of languages used by single language minority groups that make up 3% or more of the voting-age residents of a particular county or precinct."

This proposal is extremely expensive, and unnecessary.

- This same evaluation is done every two years by the federal government, as mandated by the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), and each precinct in every state is notified for which languages it must provide translation and other services.

There is absolutely no justification to duplicate this work.

- The bill does not provide any guidance as to how such a determination would be done by the SOS, but will establish another huge bureaucratic entity, at tremendous cost to a state that is already deeply in debt.

**EIPCa urges a NO vote on SB 266.**

Sincerely,

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