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Resolution Opposing HB 5097, SB850 and Any Similar Bills

WHEREAS, House Bill 5097 (HB 5097) was voted out of the House Committee on Commerce; and

WHEREAS, HB 5097 would exempt police and fire unions from the provisions in the Public Employer Relations Act (PERA) that prohibit the awarding of retroactive pay, the passing along of benefit cost increases and the cessation of step pay increases when labor contracts expire before another contract has been agreed upon; and

WHEREAS, an identical bill has been introduced in the Senate, Senate Bill 850 (SB 850); and

WHEREAS, these bills apply to police and fire unions only, however, since the enactment of changes to PERA in 2011, counties (including Delta County) have been able to settle a majority of their labor contracts prior to the expiration date; and

WHEREAS, without this cost saving management tool, there is little incentive for police and fire unions to settle contract disputes prior to the expiration of their contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Delta County Board of Commissioners opposes HB 5097, SB 850 and any similar bills that would reverse the cost management tools put in place by changes to PERA.

I, Nancy Kolich, Delta County Clerk and Clerk of the Delta County Board of Commissioners do hereby certify this to be a true and exact copy from the minutes of the regular meeting of the Delta County Board of Commissioners held on April 1, 2014.

I, Nancy Kolich, Delta County Clerk do hereby set my hand and seal this 1st day of April, 2014.



Nancy Kolich, Delta County Clerk

