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SB 474 – Proponent testimony, written only

Name:

Representing:

Chairman Thompson and Members of the Committee,

I'm writing this testimony to support the passing of SB 474. This bill corrects an issue whereby cities have resisted and even obstructed citizen efforts to pass ordinances via petition and/or ballot initiative.

Cities have used an administrative ordinance restriction to reverse, or have thrown out, citizen initiatives on a broad technical interpretation of whether that ordinance falls under the administrative category.

Passing SB 474 will ensure that a city government is not able to easily dismiss a otherwise legal and correct citizen petition effort.

Thank you for your consideration,