

# AB 1229 – INCLUSIONARY HOUSING

## **SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE**

The bill would authorize the county to adopt ordinances to establish as a condition of approval, inclusionary housing requirements for low income households. The intent of the bill is to address uncertainties resulting from the *Palmer v. City of LA* court ruling that struck down an inclusionary housing ordinance that contained a requirement for rental housing.

## **PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT**

More affordable housing would be provided for families. Businesses would have better access to nearby workers. Air quality would increase due to reduced commuting. Commuters could spend more time with their families.

## **COST TO GOVERNMENT**

The County could have to amend the existing/proposed inclusionary housing ordinance which could cost up to one hundred thousand dollars if the bill is limited to support of low income housing.

## **REQUESTED ACTION AND STRATEGY**

The County should watch this bill to see how it is revised as it goes through the legislative process. The bill as written could be interpreted to only provide legislative support for requiring low income housing. The County's existing/proposed inclusionary housing ordinance requires housing that is affordable to moderate and workforce income households, in addition to low income households. The County should support the bill if the bill is ultimately written to also include support for requiring housing that is affordable to moderate and workforce income households.

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