

Attached please find the Commission's written testimony regarding SB 644, which is scheduled for consideration by the Business and Transportation Committee on April 4, 2013.

While we are in full support of fair and equitable procurement policies, the Commission would not want to see the proposed changes to the current QBS law rushed through the legislative process without ample time for all stakeholders to assess the efficiency and effectiveness of the QBS process, which was just implemented last January 2012.

The Commission would encourage the Committee to seek testimony on the proposed QBS changes from other municipal drinking water utilities and city public works departments. This input should help provide a broader picture of the impacts of QBS on local contracting and procurement.

Thank you for your assistance.

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