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**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**  
DISTRICT 8  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

March 20<sup>th</sup> 2017

RE: SB 1022

To the Senate Committee on General Government and Accountability:

The Office of Administrative Hearings Oversight Committee formally voted to oppose SB 1022 in regards to the proposed elimination of the OAH Oversight Committee and the Administrative Hearings Rules Advisory Group.

The OAH Oversight Committee has been an established body since 1999 and has subsequently played an invaluable role in studying the operations of the Office of Administrative Hearings. The committee generally meets on an annual basis, or at the call of the Chair, to review policy issues, staffing needs, performance, budget, and legislation regarding the Office of Administrative Hearings. Additionally, this body serves as the only avenue for the public to provide testimony related to the Office of Administrative Hearings.

The OAH Oversight Committee is charged with making any recommendations to the Governor and Legislative Assembly that the committee deems necessary to increase effectiveness, fairness, and efficiency of the operations of the Office of Administrative Hearings. In June, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, Gary Tyler, will retire and his replacement will need to be appointed by Governor Brown at the recommendation of the OAH Oversight Committee. The OAH Oversight Committee is required by statute to make recommendations to the Governor on the hiring for this position

Respectfully,

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OAH Oversight Committee Chair

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