

DEPARTMENT: Board of Supervisors

BY: Chairman Pickard
PHONE: 966-3222

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign a letter to Assembly Member Jenny Oropeza and a letter to Senator Wesley Chesbro opposing the proposed elimination of funding for Transaction Based Reimbursement (TBR) in the State Library Budget.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Financial Impact? () Yes (x) No	Current FY Cost: \$	Annual Recurring Cost: \$
Budgeted In Current FY? () Yes () No () Partially Funded		
Amount in Budget: \$		List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Additional Funding Needed: \$		Letter to Assembly Member Jenny Oropeza
Source:		Letter to Senator Wesley Chesbro
Internal Transfer		
Unanticipated Revenue	4/5's vote	
Transfer Between Funds	4/5's vote	
Contingency	4/5's vote	
() General () Other		

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 03-173 Ord. No. _____
 Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: _____
 Absent: _____
 Approved _____
 () Minute Order Attached () No Action Necessary

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

Requested Action Recommended
 No Opinion
 Comments: _____

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.
 Date: _____
 Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
 County of Mariposa, State of California
 By: _____
 Deputy

CAO: [Signature]

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June 4, 2003

The Honorable Jenny Oropeza
California State Assembly
Chair of the Assembly Budget Committee
State Capitol, Room 5019
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Oppose the Proposed Elimination of Transaction Based Reimbursement Funds

Dear Assembly Member Oropeza:

The Mariposa County Board of Supervisors urges your support in restoring funding for Transaction Based Reimbursement (TBR) in the State Library Budget. The Governor has proposed eliminating the entire \$12.1 million item in the State Library Budget. The proposed elimination of funding for the TBR program will have a significant impact in the way library services are delivered in California, particularly in rural areas like Mariposa County.

For many years Mariposa County residents have had the opportunity to use any library in the state to check out books and materials. This is due to a seamless system known as TBR where a patron can check out a book or material that is not available locally. For rural counties like Mariposa it is an essential service, which has grown considerably. This is a statewide program that reimburses local libraries with state and federal matching funds. The proposed reduction in the state contribution may affect the matching federal funding for this program.

The Governor has further proposed that the TBR will become a fee-based program requiring patrons to pay a \$1 fee per item for direct loans and a \$5 fee per item for Inter-Library Loans. Mariposa County believes this proposal by the Governor will simply discourage and become a barrier for people desiring to use the library system.

Thank you for your help and thoughtful consideration of this request and if I can provide you with any further information on this matter please contact me.

Sincerely,

BOB PICKARD
Chairman

cc: Senator Chuck Poochigian
Assembly Member Dave Cogdill
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