



# Peace and Freedom Party of California

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January 25, 2021

Honorable Senator Thomas J. Umberg  
State Capitol, Room 3076  
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Subject: SB 29 (Umberg)    SUPPORT

Dear Senator Umberg:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Peace and Freedom Party of California to support SB 29.

This is an urgency bill that would require county election officials to mail a ballot to every registered voter for all elections prior to January 1, 2022. This continues the current procedure which was put into place as a result of the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic and this situation is expected throughout 2021. We would prefer that this requirement be permanent but consider this to be a good first step in that direction.

Peace and Freedom Party support is based on our belief that mailing ballots to all eligible voters would increase voter participation. We are, however, concerned that the bill does not require mailing ballots to those voters on inactive registered voter lists. Those voters are officially registered as eligible to vote but are not currently provided the necessary information and ballots to exercise their voting rights. Also, there is concern that ballots may be mailed too far in advance of the primary and general elections and that voters may vote too early often before they are able to be fully informed about the issues and candidates and may have voted differently had they been fully informed.

For these reasons Peace and Freedom Party critically supports SB 29. To discuss our position on this bill further, please contact our Legislative Liaison, C. T. Weber at (916) 422-5395 (message) or [CTWeberVoters@att.net](mailto:CTWeberVoters@att.net) or our Legislative Committee Chair, John Reiger, at (916) 456-4595 or [reigers@earthlink.net](mailto:reigers@earthlink.net).

Sincerely,

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