

# Consideration to Approve a Letter of Support for the Glendora City Council's Proposed Cal Cities Resolution

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# Background



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CITIES



# Proposed Resolution

*“The California State Legislature shall not enact, and the Governor shall not approve, any law or regulation that applies solely to elected officials of California cities and counties, unless such law or regulation also applies equally to members of the California State Assembly and Senate. This prohibition shall not apply to laws or regulations affecting the inherent powers of the legislative branch under the California Constitution.”*



## PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

**Brown Act:** Requires a minimum 72-hour advance notice for regular meetings. The agenda must be detailed and posted in a publicly accessible location and on the agency's website.

**Bagley-Keene Act:** Often provides a 10-day notice, with more flexible agenda requirements. The agenda does not need to be as detailed, allowing state agencies to make adjustments and add items closer to the meeting date.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

**Brown Act:** Local agencies must allow the public to address the legislative body on any item of interest before or during the body's consideration of the item.

**Bagley-Keene Act:** Can have more structured and limited public comment periods, often at the beginning of the meeting. Public comments might be restricted to certain agenda items or general comments at the start of the meeting, rather than allowing comments throughout.

## CLOSED SESSIONS

**Brown Act:** Limits the reasons for which a closed session can be held (e.g., personnel matters, pending litigation, labor negotiations). Specific findings must be made to justify closing the meeting to the public.

**Bagley-Keene Act:** Provides state bodies with broader discretion to determine when a closed session is necessary. This means that state agencies have more flexibility in deciding which topics warrant a close session, allowing them to address sensitive issues more freely.

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and consider a letter of support for the Glendora City Council's proposed Cal Cities Annual Conference Resolution.

