

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations, or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must first have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, existing laws requires a retailer to have a license to engage in the sale of cigarettes or tobacco products; and

WHEREAS, the retailer license is valid for a 12 month period and must be renewed annually; and

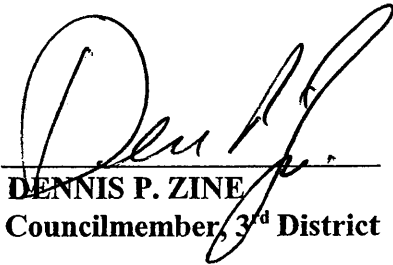
WHEREAS, a retailer must pay a one-time license fee of \$100 for each retail location and the retailer must renew the license annually but is only responsible for the \$100 fee with the initial application; and

WHEREAS, through the City Attorney's Office, the City currently enforces the licensing of retailers who sell cigarette and tobacco products; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Equalization has licensed approximately 38,000 retailers, however, approximately 2,000 retailers have failed to renew their annual license; and

WHEREAS, introduced in February 2007, SB 625 (Padilla) would establish a \$100 reinstatement fee for those retailers who fail to renew their license by the expiration date;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2007-2008 Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 625 (Padilla) which would establish a \$100 license reinstatement fee for cigarette and tobacco retailers.

PRESENTED BY: 
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SECONDED BY: 

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