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The Honorable Pilar Schiavo  
 California State Assembly  
 1021 O Street, Room 4140  
 Sacramento, California 95814

**SUBJECT: AB 1914 (Schiavo), General plan elements: childcare.  
 Neutral as Amended**

Dear Assemblymember Schiavo,

The American Planning Association, California Chapter (APA California), the Rural Counties of California (RCRC) and the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) will move to a neutral position, based on recent amendments in print on April 20, 2026. As introduced, AB 1914 would have required a local jurisdiction, upon the next update of two or more elements of the general plan on or after January 1, 2028, to review and update the land use, circulation, housing, safety, and environmental justice elements—and any other element, where appropriate—to address the childcare needs of the jurisdiction. As amended, the bill will instead require a local jurisdiction to prepare and adopt a childcare plan or integrate a childcare plan into the next adoption of the general plan to address the childcare needs of the jurisdiction.

We appreciate the time your staff and sponsors spent with us to discuss concerns and allow our organizations to suggest amendments to the bill that will provide greater flexibility on how local jurisdictions plan for childcare in their communities.

If you have any questions, please contact Lauren De Valencia, Stefan/George Associates, APA California’s lobbyist, at 916 443-5301, [lauren@stefangeorge.com](mailto:lauren@stefangeorge.com), Tracy Rhine for RCRC at [trhine@rcrcnry.org](mailto:trhine@rcrcnry.org) or Mark Neuburger with CSAC at [mneuburger@counties.org](mailto:mneuburger@counties.org).

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