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Memorandum
Councilmember Al Austin
Eighth District

R-11

Date: January 16, 2018

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Al Austin, Eighth District *al*
Councilmember Lena Gonzalez, First District *lg*
Councilmember Stacy Mungo, Fifth District *SM*

Subject: **Support AB 1761 (Muratsuchi) regarding employee safety for hotel workers**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Request the City Council to support AB 1761 (Muratsuchi) regarding employee safety for hotel workers and request the City Manager to communicate the City's support to the bill's author and our state legislative delegation.

BACKGROUND:

Assembly Bill 1761 would require, among other things, that a hotel employer provide its employees with a panic button in order to summon assistance when working alone in a guestroom.

This legislation is consistent with the resolution adopted by the City Council in October 2017 supporting a safe work environment for all workers in Long Beach's hospitality industry, and encourages the best technology in terms of panic buttons and surveillance in the hospitality industry in all hotels.

AB 1761 would apply to hotel workers in all hotels, motels and bed and breakfast inns, regardless of the number of rooms.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no significant fiscal impact with this recommendation.