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In the subject line, write:

OPPOSE Agenda Item 54-B (Support for SB 357 – Youth Justice Reform)

Copy and paste the sample letter below into your email — feel free to personalize it if you wish.

SAMPLE LETTER:

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

500 West Temple Street

Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Opposition to Agenda Item 54-B – Support for Senate Bill 357 (Menjivar): Youth Justice Reform Implementation through Delegated Authority

Dear Chair Barger and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

As a dedicated LA County Probation Officer, I am writing to express my strong opposition to Agenda Item 54-B, supporting Senate Bill 357 (Menjivar).

This bill is a reckless attempt to dismantle the LA County Probation Department, eliminate sworn peace officer positions, and hand over critical public safety responsibilities to private, non-union contractors who are untrained, unvetted, and unaccountable to the public.

SB 357 is not about reform. It is about privatization, union busting, and undermining public safety.

Our communities, victims, and justice-involved youth deserve better than a dangerous handoff to organizations that lack the experience, standards, and professional training that probation-peace officers provide every day.

I urge you to reject Agenda Item 54-B and stand with LA County’s frontline public safety professionals who are committed to both rehabilitation and community safety.

Thank you for your attention.

Respectfully,

[Your Full Name]

[Your Job Title / Classification]

[Contact Information – optional]