State sanctuary battle rages on in Placer County

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Placer County residents crammed a Board of Supervisors' meeting in Auburn on July 10 to air their opinions on Senate Bill 54, the state law that limits the ability of state and local law enforcement to help federal agents enforce immigration law.

Local officials estimated more than 150 people turned out for the 1m meeting, filling the auditorium and two overflow rooms, to provide feedback on a resolution opposing SB54. Public testimony went on for hours. A handful of officers from the Placer County sheriff's office patrolled the gathering, which was occasionally testy but never violent.

The meeting came just 24 hours after U.S. District Judge John A. Mendez approved California's motion to throw out the Trump administration's lawsuit challenging the sanctuary state law.

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