

**DEFERRED COMPENSATION FOR
CITY COMMISSIONERS
&
SEVERANCE PAY FOR GOVERNMENT STAFF**

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Survey was conducted in August 2009; 320 of the 6,000 panel members responded. Results were weighted to reflect the demographics of the 90%+ local residents who have access to the internet at home, work, or school.

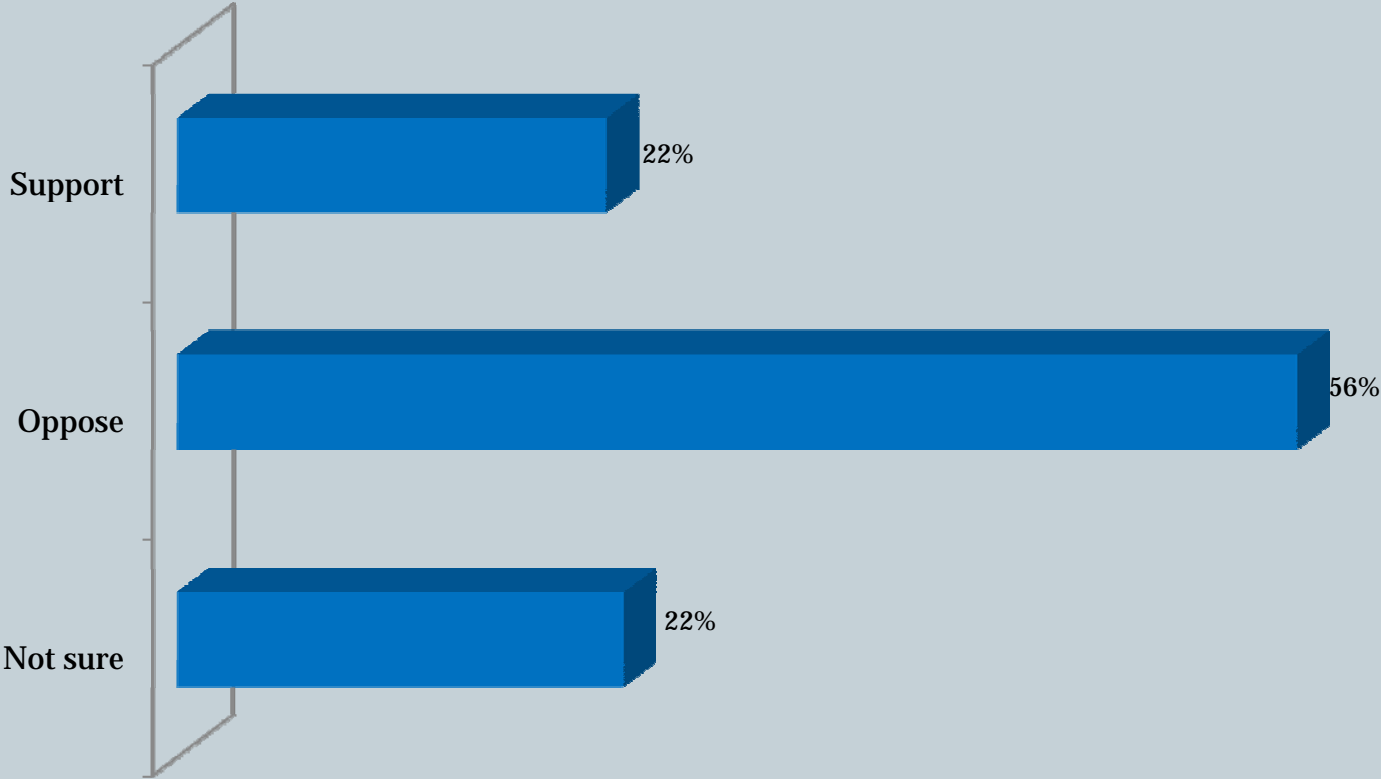
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Summary



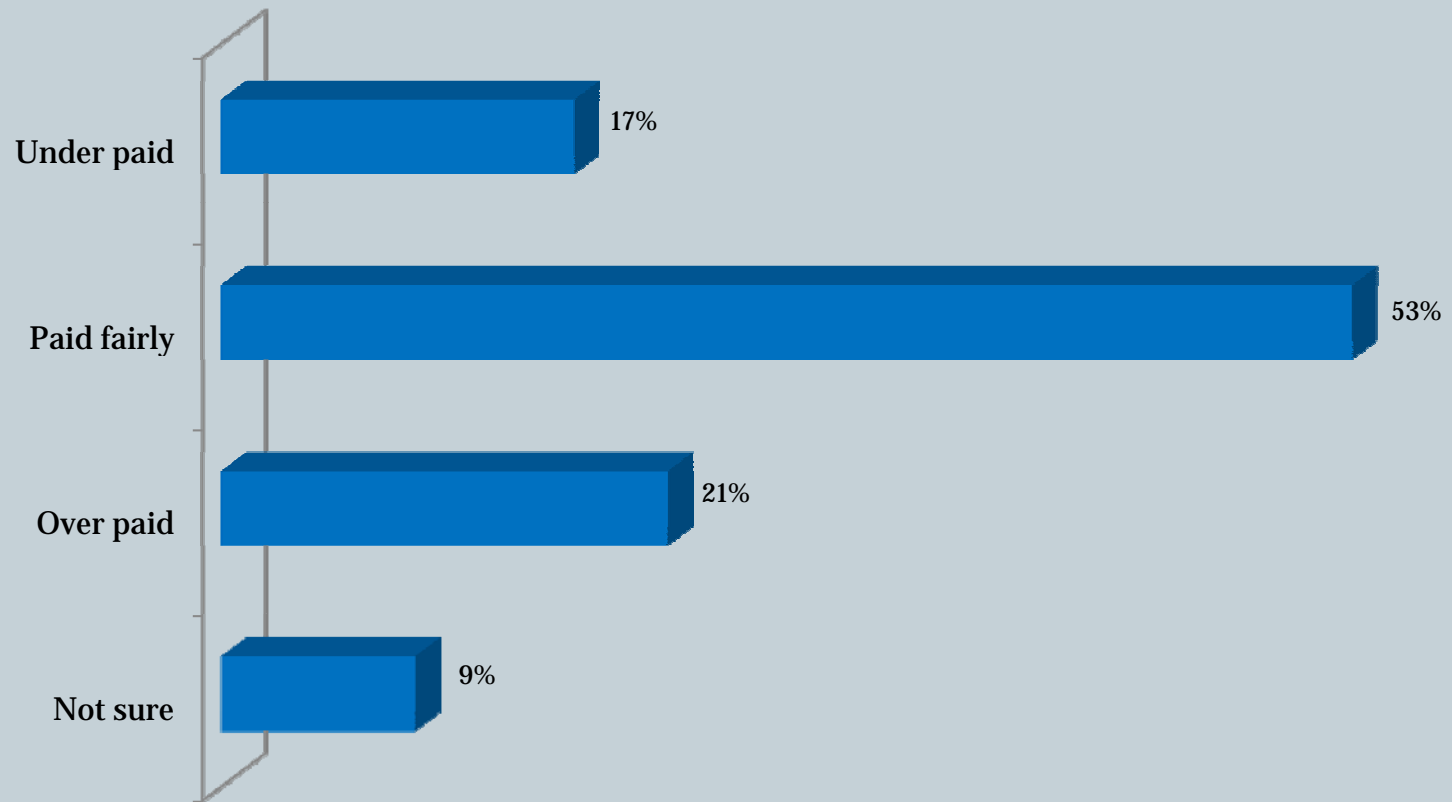
- Citizens oppose deferred compensation for City Commissioners by a 56% to 22% margin.
- Citizens believe City Commissioners are fairly paid (53% share this opinion) while 52% of citizens think County Commissioners are overpaid.
- Most residents (57%) think City and County Commissioners should receive the same pay.
- Citizens oppose severance pay for local government staff by a 61% to 24% margin.

Stance on commissioners receiving deferred compensation



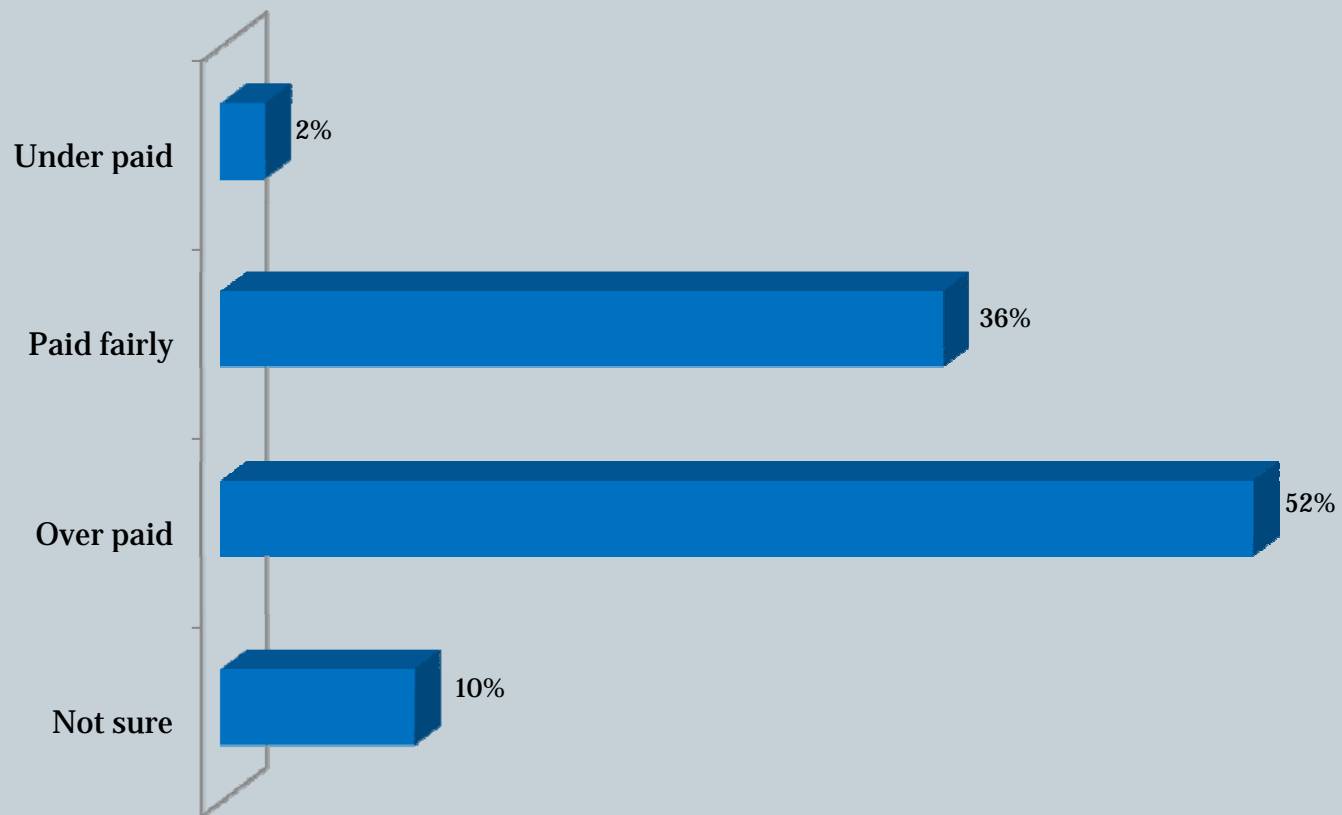
Do you support or oppose commissioners receiving deferred compensation?

City Commissioners are



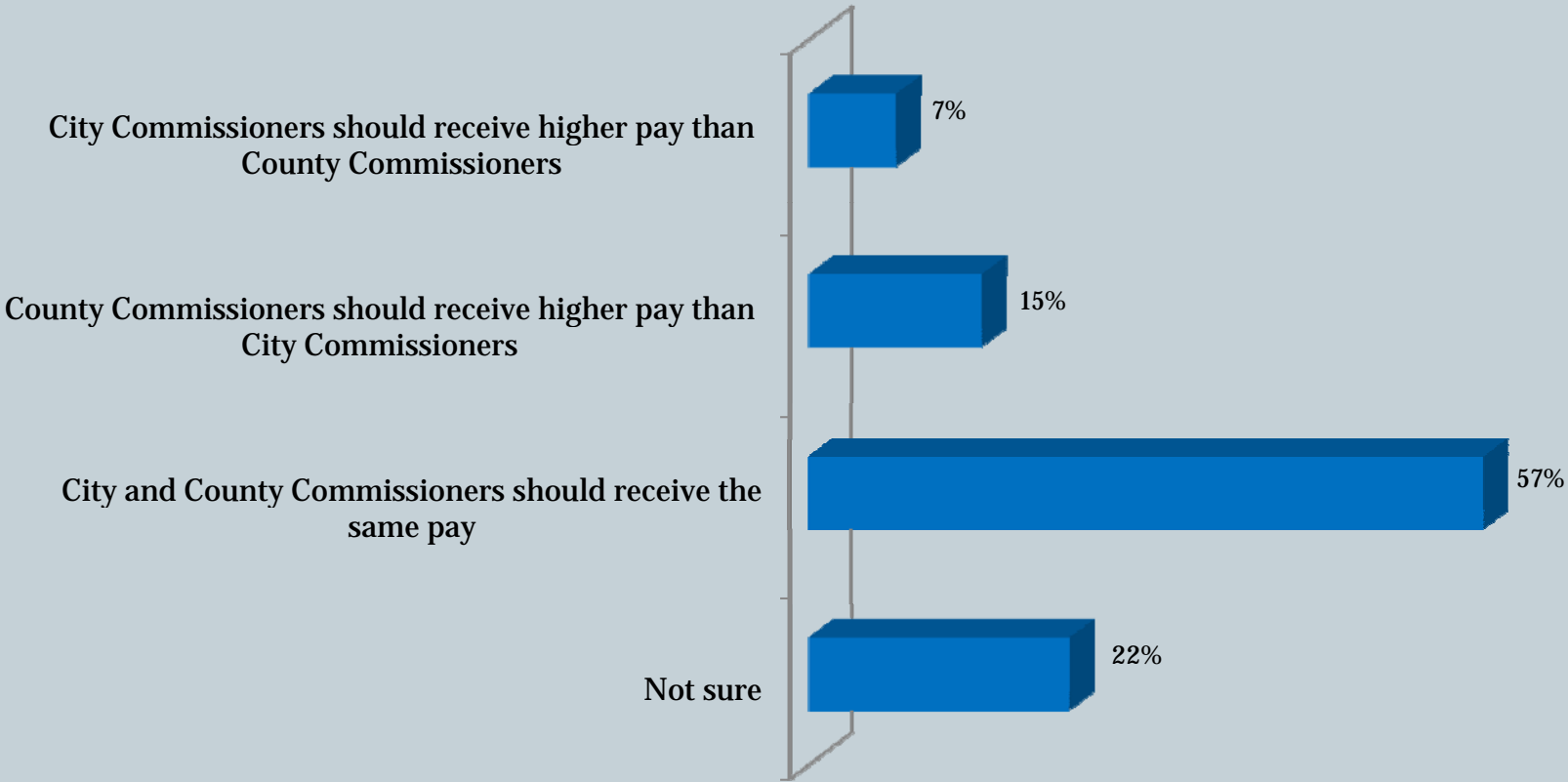
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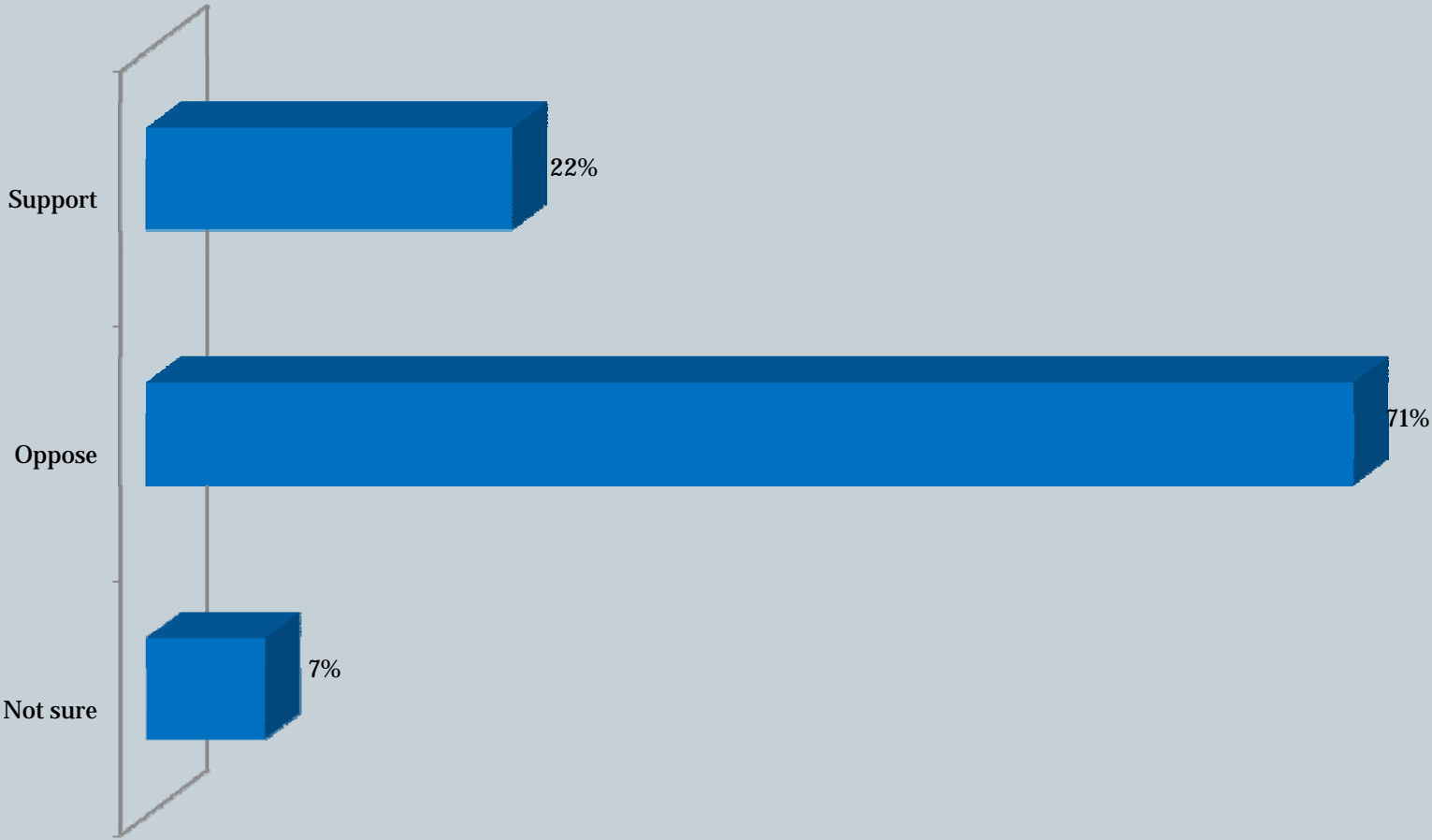
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Which of the following do you believe?



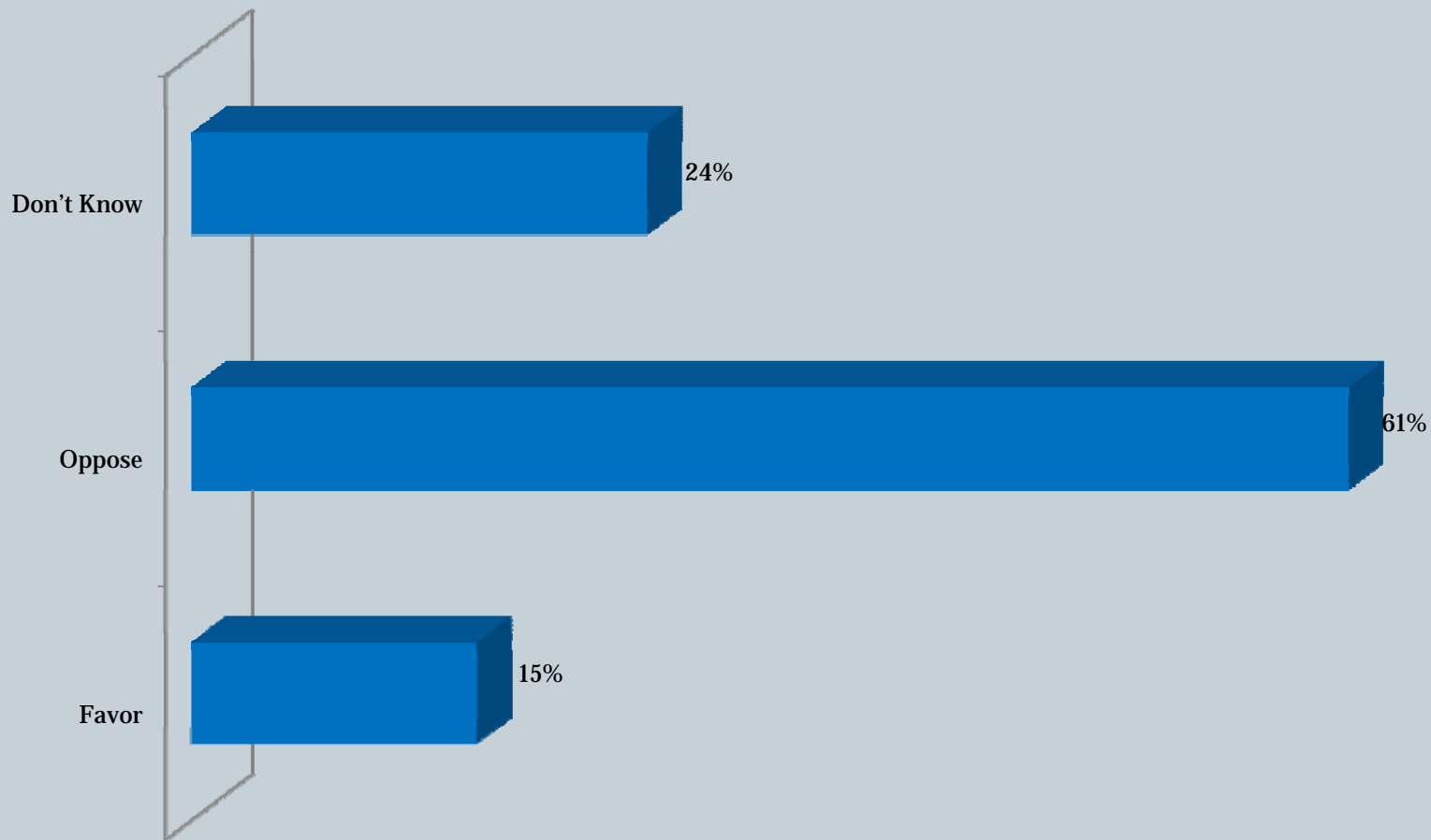
Which of the following do you believe?

Stance on Severance pay for County/City employees who were let go because of budget cutbacks.



Do you support or oppose severance pay for County/City employees who were let go for not performing well?

Stance on severance pay for high ranking County/City employees as a benefit to attract the best people for the job.



Do you support or oppose severance pay for high ranking County/City employees as a benefit to attract the best people for the job?