



March 31, 2009

Honorable Felipe Fuentes, Member
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 3146
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 14 – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Fuentes:

The Riverside Sheriffs' Association, which represents over 3,200 rank and file deputy sheriffs, sheriffs, deputy probation officers, law enforcement investigators and counselors, coroners and bailiffs – the entire law enforcement team in Riverside County - supports your bill, AB 14.

Recently, the California Supreme Court in *O'Connell v City of Stockton*, (2007) 41 Cal 4th 1061, struck down a local vehicle forfeiture ordinance on the grounds that it was preempted by state law. AB 14 expressly grants local government the authority to regulate in the area of nuisance, with certain guidelines. This bill will promote public safety.

Very truly yours,

Pat McNamara
President

Timothy H. B. Yaryan
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