



July 16, 2009

Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor
State of California
State Capitol, First Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 91 - SIGN

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

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 AB 91.

AB 91 creates a three county pilot program (Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Diego) which will require installation of an ignition interlock device (IID) on any vehicle owned or operated by a person convicted of "driving under the influence."

Although the courts currently have discretionary authority to require installation of IID's, each is required in less than 5% of all DUI cases. The Department of Motor Vehicles will tabulate data in the three counties where installation of an IID would be mandatory versus counties where installation of the IID is discretionary to determine whether use of the IID is effective in reducing recidivism. We believe this pilot program will provide important data and will be an important tool for law enforcement to reduce the number of D/I related deaths and injuries. Thank you for your consideration of this important bill, and we ask that you sign it into law.

Very truly yours,

Pat McNamara
President

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