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Honorable Mark Leno, Chair
Senate Public Safety Committee
State Capitol, Room 2031
Sacramento, CA 95814


RE: AB 2324 – Support


The Riverside Sheriffs' Association, which represents over 3,200 rank and file deputy sheriffs, deputy probation officers, law enforcement investigators and counselors, coroners and bailiffs, the entire law enforcement team in Riverside County, is pleased to support AB 2324.

September 11, 2001 dramatically changed responses and actions to safeguard public safety and safety protections in all means of transportation, but specifically and immediately targeted laws related to airports, border crossings, and seaports. Alerting citizens and keeping law enforcement strong and in control of dangerous situations and expanded targets at the local level was always a goal as well.

Potential attacks within America have reached reality as demonstrated in Fort Hood Texas, last year's failed Christmas attempt, and by the recent New York Times Square failed car bomb. It failed, but the need to be alert, and review policies addressing many of the gaps in state law, numerous of them pertaining specifically to buses, trains and other public transportation systems, including the buildings housing these systems, and the individuals who use the systems are acknowledged and realized in this measure. It is deserving of our support.

Very truly yours,


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