



July 28, 2003

Honorable Gray Davis, Governor  
State of California  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1153 (Bermudez) – REQUEST SIGNATURE

Dear Governor Davis:

The Riverside Sheriffs' Association, which represents over 2,000 rank and file Deputy Sheriffs, Deputy Probation Officers, District Attorney Investigators, and Deputy Coroners – the entire law enforcement team in the County of Riverside - is pleased to support AB 1153, a measure to provide that any person making, transferring, or selling false law enforcement, fire department, city, county or state identity badgcs or insignia shall be guilty of committing a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in the county jail and a possible fine not to exceed \$15,000.

This bill clearly expands the scope of present law as it pertains to the false use of identity badges, emblems, insignia, and cards officially designated only for law enforcement officers, fire department personnel and multi-government agency officials, and has in today's climate of violence toward Americans, become necessary. Serious threats to our society call for serious responses. We ask that you sign this measure into law.

Very truly yours,

Pat McNamara  
President

Timothy H. B. Yaryan  
Legislative Counsel and Advocate

cc: RSA  
Assembly Member Bermudez