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April 15, 2003

Honorable Russ Bogh, Member
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 3098
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 797 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Bogh:

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 – is pleased to support your bill, AB 797.

Under present law there are enhancements allowed in the seizure of methamphetamine, amphetamine and phencyclidine which are dependant on the volume of controlled substance taken. This measure wraps up some loose ends by imposing similar volume enhancements for the unlawful possession of chemicals necessary to "cook" and/or for the conspiracy to manufacture the above controlled substances and commit such an unlawful act. We concur that the penalty enhancement should be an additional tool in the fight against the production of crystal methamphetamine.

Very truly yours,

Pat McNamara
President

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Legislative Counsel and Advocate

cc: RSA