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**To:** The Honorable Jim Beall, Chair  
The Honorable Anthony Cannella, Vice Chair  
Members, Senate Transportation & Housing Committee

**From:** Rex D. Frazier, President  
Michael A. Gunning, Vice President  
Kara Cross, General Counsel

**Re:** AB 1592 (Bonilla) Autonomous Vehicles: Pilot Project  
**As Amended June 6, 2016**

**Senate Transportation and Housing Committee  
Hearing-June 14, 2016**

**PIFC Position: Support**

The Personal Insurance Federation of California, representing seven of the nation's largest insurance companies (State Farm, Farmers, Liberty Mutual Insurance, Progressive, Allstate, Mercury and Nationwide) who collectively write a majority of the personal line auto and home insurance in California, **supports AB 1592, Autonomous Vehicles: Pilot Project by Assemblymember Susan Bonilla.**

AB 1592 authorizes the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) to conduct a pilot project for the testing of autonomous vehicles that are not equipped with a steering wheel, a brake pedal, an accelerator, or an operator inside the vehicle. In addition, the testing must be conducted only at specified locations, the former Concord Naval Weapons Station and a privately owned business park, owned by CCTA, and the autonomous vehicle operates at specified speed of less than 35 mph.

PIFC and its member companies have a long-standing record of supporting sound safety measures that serve to reduce injuries and enhance public road safety.

**PIFC supports AB 1592 by Assemblymember Bonilla and urges your "aye" vote.** If you have any questions regarding PIFC's position, please contact Michael A. Gunning at (916) 442-6646.

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