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August 20, 2012

The Honorable Jerry Brown  
Governor of the State of California  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Attn: Gareth Elliot, Secretary of Legislative Affairs**  
**Re: Request for Signature on AB 1708 (Gatto)**

Dear Governor Brown,

The Personal Insurance Federation of California, representing six of the nation's largest insurance companies (State Farm, Farmers, Liberty Mutual Group, Progressive, Allstate and Mercury) who collectively write a majority of the personal line auto and home insurance in California, **supports AB 1708 Vehicles: electronic verification of financial responsibility and insurance, by Assembly Member Gatto.**

AB 1708 would give motorists a new electronic option for showing proof of auto insurance. Under this measure, consumers would be allowed to show proof of insurance through their mobile phone. We believe this option is customer-friendly and "green", as it would reduce the need for paper copies of the insurance identification card.

AB 1708 would also keep California near the forefront in utilizing this sort of technology as at least two other states, Idaho and Arizona, have passed laws similar to this measure, with other measures currently pending elsewhere.

For the reasons stated above PIFC **supports AB 1708 by Assembly Member Gatto and respectfully request your signature on the bill.** If you have any questions regarding PIFC's position, please contact Manolo P. Platin at (916) 442-6646.

Sincerely,

Rex Frazier, President  
PIFC

Manolo P. Platin, Legislative Advocate  
PIFC

cc: Assembly Member Mike Gatto, Author