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To: The Honorable Jim Beall, Chair,
The Honorable Anthony Canella, VChair
Members, Senate Transportation & Housing Committee

From: Rex D. Frazier, President
Michael A. Gunning, Vice President
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Re: AB 1932 (Obernolte) Vehicles: Motorcycle Safety Training
As Amended April 5, 2016

Senate Transportation and Housing Committee-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 1932, Vehicles: Motorcycle Safety Training by Assemblymember Obernolte.**

Currently, motorcyclists, when they are in violation of traffic laws, are able to attend DMV approved traffic schools to avoid having points added to their driving records. Unfortunately, many of these courses are not always applicable to motorcycle violations. AB 1932 would give motorcyclists the option of attending a California Motorcyclists Safety Program (beginner or intermediate) instead of a traffic school course. These programs are administered and conducted by the California Highway Patrol.

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. Given the numerous studies by the DMV of the ineffectiveness of traffic violator schools, we view AB 1932 as a sound measure that would increase road safety knowledge of motorcycle riders in California by providing appropriate secondary training.

PIFC supports AB 1932, by Assemblymember Obernolte 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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