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**Date:** June 24, 2016

**To:** Members, California State Senate

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

**Re: AB 2161 (Quirk) Parking Lots: Design: Insurance Discount  
Amended: April 13, 2016**

**PIFC Position: Support**

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The Personal Insurance Federation of California, representing insurers who write over 60% of the auto insurance sold in the state, including State Farm, Farmers, Liberty Mutual Group, Progressive, Allstate, Mercury, and 21<sup>st</sup> Century, supports **AB 2161 by Assembly Member Bill Quirk.**

AB 2161 would authorize the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC), in collaboration with the Division of the State architect (DSA) and the Office of the State fire Marshal (OSFM), to update building standards, as it deems necessary, for the installation of vehicle barriers on any new commercial property parking lot.

AB 2161 could help prevent damage and injury in storefront crashes by encouraging the adoption of protective barrier standards, when considering building occupant-safety options for buildings and parking lots. This bill will also authorize an insurer to consider these barriers as a safety measure eligible for discounted building insurance rates.

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

**For the foregoing reasons, PIFC supports AB 2161 and urges your "aye" vote.** If you have any questions regarding PIFC's support, please contact Michael A. Gunning at (916) 442-6646.

**Cc:** Assemblymember Bill Quirk, Author  
Jessica Billingsley, Senate Republican Caucus  
Camille Wagner, Legislative Secretary, Office of the Governor  
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