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August 23, 2016

Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor of the State of California
State Capitol, First Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Attn: Michael Martinez, Deputy Secretary of Legislative Affairs
Request for Signature on Assembly Bill 1932 (Oberholte)

Dear Governor Brown:

The Personal Insurance Federation of California (PIFC), 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 Nationwide, requests your signature on AB 1932, Vehicles: Motorcycle Safety Training, by Assemblymember Oberholte.


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 authorizes a motorcyclist safety training program that is licensed by the Department of Motor Vehicles as a traffic violator school to administer a motorcyclist training course and provides that the motorcyclist training course may include instruction specific to the safe and lawful operation of motorcycles.

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 respectfully requests your signature on AB 1932. If you have any questions regarding PIFC's position, please contact Michael A. Gunning at (916) 442-6646.

Sincerely,


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PIFC President


Michael A. Gunning
Vice President

cc: Assemblymember Jay Oberholte, Author
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