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## MEMORANDUM

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To: The Honorable Martha Escutia, Chair  
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RE: AB 903 (Steinberg): Construction Dispute Resolution  
Senate Judiciary Committee Hearing: July 8, 2003  
**PIFIC Position: Support**

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The Personal Insurance Federation of California (PIFIC), which represents insurers who provide construction dispute resolution insurance to subcontractors throughout the state of California, **supports AB 903** by Assembly Member Steinberg.

AB 903 would provide a clarifying definition of the term "builder" to mean "any entity or individual who, at the time of sale, was in the business of selling residential units to the public and applies to the sale of new residential units entered into contract on or after January 1, 2003, including a developer, builder or original seller." PIFIC views AB 903 as a clarifying amendment on the definition of what a "builder" is. This amendment is within the spirit of the agreement reached in SB 800 (Burton/Wesson) of last session.

For the reasons stated above, PIFIC supports AB 903. We are committed to continue to work with all parties to further expand new reforms in this area to provide affordable insurance to subcontractors and affordable housing to California consumers. If you have any questions regarding our position, please contact Dan Dunmoyer or Dan Chick at (916) 442-6646.

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