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MEMORANDUM

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To: The Honorable Judy Chu, Chair
Members, Assembly Appropriations Committee

From: Dan C. Dunmoyer, President
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Re: SB 20 (Escutia): Low-Cost Automobile Insurance
As Amended July 13, 2005
Assembly Appropriations Committee Hearing: August 17, 2005
PIFC Position: Support

The Personal Insurance Federation of California (PIFC), representing insurers who write over 70% of all private passenger automobile insurance sold in California, including State Farm, Farmers, Safeco, 21st Century, Progressive, and NAMIC, **supports SB 20** by Senator Escutia.

PIFC appreciates the author's willingness to work with us to address concerns we had with previous versions of the bill. As such, with the adoption of the July 13th amendments, PIFC now supports SB 20. We believe that the recent amendments provide language that will ensure that there is no subsidy of good drivers in one county by good drivers in another county. The current amendments will also allow for monitoring of the program until 2010.

If you have any questions regarding our opposition, please call Michael A. Gunning at (916) 442-6646.

cc: Honorable Martha Escutia, Author
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