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Mr. Lee Brown 334 N. Euclid Ave Upland, CA 91786

RE: We Need Your Help to Support Our Legislative Agenda & Political Action Committee (PAC)

Dear Mr. Brown,

Now in existence for over 75 years, the Western States Trucking Association (formally CDTOA) continues to strive to expand our programs, offerings and legislative agenda to the entire California and Western U.S. trucking industry. We hope that you will be able to take part in one or more of the many existing events that we are offering this year and experience first-hand the pride we take in supporting our many causes especially our legislative agenda and PAC.

The Western States Trucking Association (WSTA) advocates for sensible laws and regulations that enhance the business viability of our members. Working with the legislature, government agencies, and likeminded coalitions, and associations our goal is to promote an equitable business climate for our members. Without the assistance of **transportation-minded individuals just like you**, we wouldn't be able to serve our industry each year like we do.

Each year, WSTA's legislative team will analyze each of the 2,500-3,000 bills that will be introduced to determine the bill's true impact upon our industry – and then strategically react accordingly to either kill or improve bills we do not like or pass bills we do like. Here is a just a few of the CA and federal bills we loath and like:

OPPOSE <u>AB 199</u> (Chu; D – San Jose) JOB KILLER: All Workers Must be Paid Prevailing Wage on All Development Projects - Increases housing costs (some estimates are as high as \$90,000 per new home) which discourages development by imposing prevailing wage requirements on all projects (private and public). Assembly Appropriations Committee; no hearing date set.

OPPOSE AB 1628 (Grayson; D – East SF Bay) Job & Small Business Killer: Not Allow Independent Contractors to Work on Any Public Works Projects - Increases construction costs and discourages use of and is prejudiced against small business opportunities. No hearing date set. California's prevailing wages are a joke and to subject private work to them and exclude non-union small businesses on public works is an outrage!

SUPPORT <u>SB 41</u> (Galgiani; D – Stockton) Purchasers of Cleaire LongMile DPF Would Get a Compliance Pass - Bill would require the CARB to deem a person, as defined, to be in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations if they had purchased and installed such a device in the past. Just another example of fixing CARB's failed policies,

SUPPORT <u>SB 713</u> (Anderson; R – San Diego) Consumer Protections for Purchasers of Commercial Vehicles - Would expand the Tanner Consumer Protection Act "California's Consumer Lemon Law" to provide relief for owners of commercial motor vehicles with faulty factory-installed technology, including diesel particulate filters. WSTA Sponsored.

Put an End to Onerous California Meal & Breaks and Pay Requirements for Truck Drivers. WSTA supports strengthening the Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act of 1994 (F4A). Last year California Congressman Jeff Denham attempted to add in a highway bill, an amendment (Sec. 611) that prohibits states like California from passing state-based regulations of truck driver employees' meal and rest breaks and how companies may also compensate these employees. Ultimately, it is nothing more of a restatement of congressional intent going back to 1994 and protects thousands of trucking and private carrier businesses from potential meal, break and pay litigation. Every trucking company is a trial attorneys target today!

We are asking that you make a commitment to support our annual PAC (political action committee) by making a generous donation. This year our goal is to reach \$25,000 in new PAC funds. We need your contribution to the WSTA PAC to continue to fight for the trucking industry at the Capitol, so please consider contributing to the WSTA PAC. Please see the back side of this letter for your donation form, or better yet go online to https://westrk.org/govaffairs/political-action-committee-pac/to-submit your information securely.

Best Regards,

Fred ReCupido,
WSTA PAC Chairman





Let my voice be heard with my contribution to the WSTA PAC.
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