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State Senate Transportation and Housing Committee
Honorable Senator Mark DeSaulnier, Chair and Committee members
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RE: SUPPORT AB 539: Graduated Fines in School Zones

Dear Chair DeSaulnier and Committee members:

California Walks does heartily endorse AB 539 and asks positive votes from all legislators. The safety of our youth, especially when in a school zone, is too important to allow hasty drivers to ignore.

The proposed increase in fines and penalties is an important tool to persuade drivers they all need to pay careful attention to their driving when in posted school zones.

California Walks feels passage of this bill is so important we have sent out a listserv request and are posting this same letter on our website [www.californiawalks.org]. We are willing to assist in any publicity requested by the sponsor or agencies also supporting AB 539.

Our children are our most important asset: we can do no less than we do for other repeat traffic violators: increase fines for repeated school zone violations. Pass AB 539 for the safety of all of our children.

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