

Governor Schwarzenegger
Support for S. 338

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Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor of California
Attn: Andrea Hoch, Legal Affairs
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RE: Federal Legislation – S. 338

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

Stand Up For California writes today to bring to your attention legislative activity at the federal level of government having an effect on the state’s gambling industry which provides for the development of beneficial public policy. As the Governor of California, both you and United States Senator Dianne Feinstein have cooperated in the past on federal legislation important to the State of California. Senator Feinstein has introduced S. 338.

Stand Up For California requests your consideration of support for S. 338. This bill will subject the trust land granted to the Lytton Rancheria in San Pablo to the same requirements for class III Indian gaming as are applicable to other post-1988 acquisitions of land in trust. This will provide the necessity of a gubernatorial concurrence to a secretarial determination, i.e. “the two-part determination.” The attached letters include: California State Association of Counties, elected officials, community groups statewide and provide evidence of the need for this reform.

More importantly, we hope that you will consider asking Senator Feinstein to expand the bill to require all off-reservation proposals in California including those for restored lands and new reservations to be processed as a two-part determination. We believe this to be a reasonable request due to our state’s unique circumstances. This will restore to the state a needed measure of authority over the location, scope and growth of gambling. Furthermore, we believe it will strengthen the beneficial public policies laid out in your May 2005 Proclamation. Thank you for your leadership in the State of California.

Sincerely,

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