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Dear Senator Skinner:

I am concerned about police shootings. Community trust is essential for policing to be effective. Two police killings every week in California, association with ICE and the scandalous report out of Ferguson are all eroding trust while the rise of camera phones and body cameras has increased visibility of the issue. Our new police records law, civilian oversight commissions, sanctuary laws and long term federal oversight as in Oakland all help but without accountability people are left feeling powerless and fearful. This month SB 230 is scheduled for a vote. It appears to be an attempt to derail AB 392 which will hold officers accountable in cases of gross negligence. Similar measures have proven effective in Seattle and San Francisco.

Please assure me that you will oppose SB 230.

I am very proud to be a California resident and a large part of that derives from our sensible progressive government.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson