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Dear Governor Newsom:

I am concerned about arrests of immigrants. AB60 is supposed to help our communities by giving everyone similar driving rules so that all drivers are licensed and hence can trust the police and are competent to drive. There were reports a few months ago that federal ICE agents were gaining access to this information and using it to persecute immigrants. Recent reports are even more disturbing. Conditions in camps are inhumane as per court, congressional and internal inspectors. Agents are again exposed as xenophobic by ProPublica. There are threats of impending sweeps for long standing residents. Today it came out that ICE agents are using state DMV databases for broad facial recognition searches. It seems clear that this is a betrayal of trust by the involved DMVs which is both immoral and liable to create years of mistrust.

Please assure me that California DMV records are secure against ICE.

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

Sincerely,
Eric Babson