

TA Community Advisory Committee Meeting of June 3, 2025

Correspondence as of May 9, 2025

- <u>#</u><u>Subject</u>
- 1. AB 1085 Stefani

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Subject:	AB 1085 - Stefani
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Dear TA Board and CAC,

Thank you for your service to the County and its transportation needs.

I am writing to recommend that the TA join C/CAG in endorsing AB1085, penned by new SM County Assemblywoman Stefani. AB 1085 would improve authorities' ability to crack down on manufacture of license plate covers that allow drivers to intentionally evade fare collection technologies on Express Lanes and bridges and to impede other law enforcement activities. Based on personal experience, I think that the use of these illegal plates is expanding, especially as we increasingly rely on technologies to collect tolls through our Express Lanes.

Here are some links to Ms. Stefani's press release and media coverage:

- https://a19.asmdc.org/press-releases/20250417-assemblymember-catherine-stefaniintroduces-legislation-crack-down-license

- https://www.kron4.com/news/bay-area/california-lawmaker-looks-to-fine-companiesaiding-toll-dodgers/

Thanks for listening,

Mike Swire Vice Chair, SMCTA Community Advisory Committee (writing on my own behalf)