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The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Governor Brown:

Senate Bill 1591 authored by Senators Marks, Gregorio, and Presley has passed both houses of the legislature by unanimous vote and is now before you for your signature. The bill provides a mechanism for the Cal/OSHA Standards Board to authorize by regulation the continued spraying application of certain asbestos-containing products wherein the asbestos is effectively wetted so that fiber is not released into the air.

The legislation is needed to ameliorate the effects of a complete ban on all spraying of asbestos-containing materials which will otherwise go into effect on July 1, 1978, as a result of a measure authored in 1974 by Senator Marks. SB-1591 is designed to protect both the worker who uses the products and the jobs of the workers who manufacture them. It is a carefully worked out compromise which is supported by labor, industry, and the Department of Industrial Relations. Your support for this important measure is respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,

Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.

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