



To whom it may concern,

June 28, 2016

I am writing this on behalf of the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association in regards to the California Sustainable Freight – specifically to the increase in the amount of weight a truck is allowed to carry, along with any thoughts of increasing trailer range from double to triple.

The Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association is a supporter of business and the moving of commerce throughout the State of California. Obviously, the movement of commerce shows a growth in economy which in turn will help fund public safety department.

Looking at the increase in size and weight of freight movement – we see this as too much of a potential problem with not only tearing up the roads and other ancillary components alongside the roads in California.

We see tragedy on a daily basis unfortunately. The destruction of big rigs vs vehicle, pedestrians or property normally do not fare well for those objects. The sheer size and weight of the big rig and their load overtakes whatever is in front on the side or behind them.

There are many arguments that can be made on both sides – believe me we see them. However the safety aspect will always overtake a few more pounds or adding another trailer behind a big rig tractor.

Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association opposes the move to add weight limits or consider ever increasing from two to three trailers a big rig can carry. We hope our federal delegation will hear what our concerns are.

I will make myself available to answer any questions, comments or arguments regarding this item. Thank you for your time

Sincerely,

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President, Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association

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