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## San Gabriel Valley Legislative Coalition of Chambers

April 20, 2012

The Honorable Bob Dutton California State Senate State Capitol, Room 5097 Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: SB 1186 (DUTTON) - Special access: liability. SUPPORT

Dear Senator Dutton:

The San Gabriel Valley Legislative Coalition of Chambers, a consortium of regional and local chambers of commerce advocating for the small business community, **SUPPORTS** your bill **SB 1186**, which will allow a property or business owner 90 days to correct any infringements in accessibility laws before a lawsuit can move forward.

Unscrupulous attorneys have found a way to make an easy profit under the guise of protecting the rights of the disabled. This is a serious problem that has created an unjust financial burden on the small business community throughout our State.

The goal is to close loopholes that allow extortion of businesses and property owners for transgressions that can be cured easily. SB 1186 will put an end to these legal "shake-downs" and restore integrity to ADA enforcements.

The overall economic health and the integrity of the California business environment are faltering. SB 1186 will help put our state and legal system back on the right track. For these reasons and more the San Gabriel Valley Legislative Coalition of Chambers support SB 1186.

Sincerely.

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