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The Honorable Brian Maienschein
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**ASSEMBLY BILL 1700 (MAIENSCHIEIN)
SUPPORT**

Dear Assembly Member Maienschein:

The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office is pleased to support Assembly Bill 1700.

AB 1700 requires the Attorney General to establish an online marketplace of suspected stolen goods reporting location on its website so people can report items found online that they suspect have been stolen.

AB 1700 will aid law enforcement and regional property crime taskforce efforts to investigate crimes where stolen goods end up on online marketplaces. While many online marketplaces already instruct users to report suspected stolen goods to law enforcement, AB 1700 would make the reporting of stolen goods easier by requiring online marketplaces to clearly and conspicuously display on their platforms a link to the Attorney General's reporting system.

It is vital to address the ease with which stolen goods may be anonymously sold through online marketplaces. It is estimated that more than \$500 billion in stolen items are sold through online marketplaces worldwide, annually.

Our Office thanks you for helping address this problem by providing an accessible platform for the public to report suspected stolen goods that are offered for sale through an online marketplace.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Daniel Felizzatto in my Sacramento Legislative Office at (916) 442-0668.

Very truly yours,

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