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Senator Mike McGuire  
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**Senate Bill 1381  
SUPPORT**

Dear Senator McGuire:

The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office is pleased to support Senate Bill 1381 (McGuire).

SB 1381 adds the "sale of stolen goods" as a property crime to be considered in the identification of geographic areas experiencing increased levels of property crime for purposes of the Property Crimes Task Force of the CA Highway Patrol (CHP). Existing law includes organized retail theft, vehicle burglary, and theft of vehicle parts and accessories on the list of property crimes.

The Regional Property Crimes Task Force was enacted in 2018 by AB 1065. That bill required CHP, until July 1, 2021, to coordinate with the Department of Justice (DOJ) to convene a regional property crimes task force to identify geographic areas experiencing increased levels of property crimes and assist local law enforcement with resources, such as personnel and equipment. In 2021, AB 331 extended the operation of the Regional Property Crimes Task Force to January 1, 2026. Per the CHP, "as of August 2023, since the inception of the ORCTF, there have been more than 1,850 investigations into retail crimes in California that have resulted in over 1,250 arrests. One key to the ORCTF's success is the partnership with retailers, local law enforcement, and district attorneys, to effectively disrupt organized retail theft rings and prosecute organized retail crimes."

Organized retail theft is a nationwide problem. SB 1381 recognizes that the sale of stolen goods is directly connected to organized retail theft and aims to further the State's goal of curbing this pernicious crime.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Tamar Tokat in our Legislative Office at 916-442-0668.

Very Truly Yours,

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