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Memorandum

TO: Commission

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FR: Legislation Committee

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RE: Committee Recommendations

The Legislation Committee met on June 13, 2014 and referred two items to the Commission for approval:

a. **AB 1646 (Frazier): Vehicles: Electronic Wireless Communication Devices: Prohibitions.**

AB 1646 raises the fines for driving while operating a cell phone without operating it in a hand-free mode or driving while sending or reading text messages to \$50 for a first offense and to \$100 for a second offense. The bill also expands the requirements of the driving examination to include a test of the applicant's understanding of the distractions and dangers of handheld cell phone use and text messaging while operating a motor vehicle. Finally, the bill requires a violation point to be placed on a person's driving record if convicted on a second or subsequent violation related to using a cell phone or electronic wireless device while driving.

Committee Recommendation: Support AB 1646 (Frazier)

b. **AB 2565 (Muratsuchi): Rental Property: Electric Vehicle Charging Stations.**

AB 2565 makes it easier for residential or commercial tenants to own or lease an electric vehicle (EV) by voiding the terms of a lease executed, renewed or extended after January 1, 2015 that prohibit or unreasonably restrict the installation of an EV charging facility in the parking lot connected to the renter's apartment at the renter's expense.

Committee Recommendation: Support AB 2565 (Muratsuchi).

