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Chairman Jesse Arreguin  
Vice Chairman Kelly Seyarto  
Senate Committee on Public Safety  
1020 N Street, Room 545  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Senate Bill 680 – STRONGLY OPPOSE

Dear Chairman Arreguin and Vice Chairman Seyarto:

The purpose of this letter is to communicate that the Alliance for Constitutional Sex Offense Laws strongly opposes Senate Bill 680 and we therefore request that you and all members of the Senate Public Safety Committee vote “no” on that bill. Senate Bill 680 has been referred to the Senate Public Safety Committee, however, a committee hearing for that bill has not yet been scheduled.

If enacted into law, SB 680 could dramatically increase the number of Californians required to register as a sex offender. In fact, the California Department of Justice has estimated that SB 680 could add up to 30,000 individuals to the state’s sex offender registry which is already the largest registry in the nation.

Specifically, SB 680 targets more than 30,000 individuals previously convicted of Penal Code 261.5, which was formerly known as statutory rape. These individuals have never been required to register as a sex offender and because SB 680 would be applied retroactively, they would be required to register for the first time even if they were convicted decades ago.

Also, if enacted into law, SB 680 would defeat the purpose of the Tiered Registry Law (SB 384) which was approved by the legislature and enacted into law in 2017. The purpose of that law was to reduce a bloated and ineffective registry that was both costly and failed to increase public safety.

Further, SB 680 would require extensive research by the California Department of Justice to identify and locate individuals convicted of PC 261.5 decades ago. This research would include the ages of both the perpetrator and the victim because SB 680 would apply only to cases in which there was an age difference of four years or more.

Finally, the registration requirements of SB 680 would adversely affect up to 30,000 individuals and their families due to challenges faced by every person required to register. Those challenges include, but are not limited to, unemployment or underemployment as well as reduced housing options that could lead to homelessness.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. We strongly request that all members of the Senate Public Safety Committee vote “no” on SB 680.

Sincerely,

  
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