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TO: Assemblymember Frank Bigelow
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Assemblymember Evan Low
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RE: Assembly Bill 1924

Dear Assemblymembers Bigelow and Low,

The California Civil Liberties Advocacy is writing to express **SUPPORT** for AB 1924.

The California Civil Liberties Advocacy (CCLA) support AB 929 (Chau) in 2015 because its provisions require police officers to use the probable cause standard when seeking an *ex parte* order to install pen/trap devices. The CCLA also supported SB 178, which prohibits government entities from compelling the production of electronically stored information. That fact notwithstanding, SB 178 included provisions in Penal Code section 1546.1, subdivision (b), for law enforcement to obtain warrants for other electronic crime detection methods. Both AB 929 and SB 178 passed with wide support last year and were enacted by the governor. The CCLA supports AB 1924 because it subsumes pen/trap orders under the law enforcement provisions of subdivision (b), thus strengthening California's privacy laws while still providing law enforcement with the tools needed to effectively carry out their tasks in detecting and prosecuting crime. For all of these reasons, the CCLA supports AB 1924.

Respectfully,


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Cc: Assembly Public Safety Committee

*"Indifference to personal liberty is but the precursor of the state's hostility to it."
— Justice Kennedy, U.S. Supreme Court*