



CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION

OF

SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS

June 16, 2015

Honorable Members of the California Air Resources Board
1011 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUPPORT: ITEM 15-5-8: Funding plan for Low Carbon Transportation Investments and Air Quality Improvement Program.

Dear Members of the Board,

CASTO represents all school transportation professionals.

At your meeting scheduled for June 25, 2015, the Board will consider item 15-5-8 that will propose the fiscal year 2015-16 funding plan for the Low Carbon Transportation Investment and Air Quality Improvement Program.

One element of that plan includes a \$5 million appropriation for school bus replacement. CASTO strongly supports that appropriation.

The broad parameters of the program are identified in the Agenda, however, Staff has indicated that after your approval, a working group will be formed to create the reasonable details of such a plan. We look forward to our active participation in that working group.

We are excited to work with the California Air Resources Board on this important program that continues to build on our long-time partnership to clean up the air for students with newer, safer, cleaner school buses.

Sincerely,

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