

ASSEMBLY FLOOR ALERT

SB 1231
[CORBETT]

THE SLAVE AND SWEAT FREE CODE OF CONDUCT HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND STATE PROCURED GOODS

Help the Alliance to Stop Slavery and End Trafficking (ASSET), the Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking (CAST), and the Consumer Federation of California (CFC) in our goal to eradicate slavery and human trafficking with your AYE vote on SB 1231. SB 1231 would leverage the State's purchasing power to reduce the demand for products made with slave, forced, sweatshop or other abusive form of labor and reduce the profits for criminals. California should not be spending taxpayer dollars to support illegal activities.

SB 1231 would modify the existing Sweat-Free Code of Conduct to include all forms of abusive labor, including slave labor. Contractors wanting to do businesses with the state must certify that none of the goods were produced by abusive forms of labor.

The penalties for failure to comply with the Code, and knew or should have known the goods were produced in violation of the Code, have been doubled to remove the contractor from the state's bidder list for 2 years.

Important program implementation details are included in SB 1231 to make the program more effective.

As Californians we often take the lead in doing what's right. Not only is this morally right but it will have many positive practical effects as well. SB 1231 is the right thing to do for:

1. Victims of slave, forced, sweatshop or other abusive forms of labor.
2. Workers trying to make a living wage.
3. Taxpayers wanting state dollars to be spent responsibly and
4. Responsible businesses that otherwise have to compete with businesses using illegal, cheap labor.

WE HAVE TO DO BETTER. WE CAN DO BETTER.

PLEASE VOTE AYE ON SB 1231 ON THE ASSEMBLY FLOOR



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