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The Honorable Steve Knight  
California State Senate  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SUPPORT SB 19 & SB 412 (Knight)**

Dear Senator Knight,

I am writing to express my support for your Senate Bills 19 and 412.

California has been involved with the aerospace industry since the beginning. It has provided jobs, innovation, and technological advances. These bills would extend tax exemptions for this industry, effectively lowering its cost of production and operation. This exemption would benefit the state and its residents.

In these trying times, it is important that we make an effort to keep businesses from leaving the state. Businesses are leaving the state at an alarming rate because it is much cheaper to do business elsewhere. These tax exemptions could encourage growth in this important sector of our economy and help create high-paying jobs in California.

For the reasons stated, as well as my commitment to lower tax burdens, I am in support of both SB 19 and SB 442. Thank you for introducing these helpful measures.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Runner".

GEORGE RUNNER  
Second District