

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Following Governor Jerry Brown's veto of the TRUST Act (AB 1081), Representative Xavier Becerra (CA-31), Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus and Member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, released the following statement:

**"It'll take some time for it to sink in that the Governor chose to veto the TRUST Act.
□ What a disturbing and unnecessary decision.**

By vetoing the TRUST Act, the Governor discarded an opportunity to protect public safety, keep our families together and restore trust between our communities and law enforcement.□

Supported by a coalition of law enforcement and community leaders, the TRUST Act would have ensured that the federal Secure Communities program practiced what it preached, namely, deporting perpetrators of serious criminal offenses as its first priority. □ Today, a flawed Secure Communities program tears families apart, deporting individuals who pose no threat to our communities or our safety.

Whose child will be next to come home from school wondering why her mother or father won't be coming back home from work?□ This is a real blow to working families.□

I urge Governor Brown to work with all due speed with our legislature next year to address whatever concerns drew him to veto this sensible legislation. Nothing short of a comprehensive reform of our federal immigration laws by Congress will resolve the disfunction and pain produced by a broken immigration system. Governor Brown can't directly do much about that. □ But he certainly can do a great deal to prevent the hardship and separation senselessly descending on hardworking California families on account of the misguided administration of the Secure Communities program."