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Frazier statement on 2018-19 budget

SACRAMENTO – Assemblymember Jim Frazier (D-Discovery Bay), who chairs the Assembly Transportation Committee, released the following statement today after the Legislature adopted a \$200 billion budget for the 2018-19 fiscal year and sent it to the governor for his signature.

“The new budget is a mixed bag for me. I am very pleased we are putting more money into our reserves – the so-called Rainy Day Fund – more than \$16 billion in total. I’m thrilled we are continuing our commitment to fund Career Technical Education, with \$150 million each to our K-12 schools and our community colleges.

However, I am disappointed we didn’t find a way to fund the hiring of more CHP officers, which are needed to increase safety on our highways. Since 2010, accidents have increased 29 percent and the number of deaths per mile driven has increased 27 percent. These statistics far outpace the state’s population growth of 8 percent, as well as the increase of licensed drivers and registered vehicles of 11 percent. Funding our CHP officers MUST be a priority for our state.”

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Assemblymember Frazier represents the 11th Assembly District, which includes the communities of Antioch, Bethel Island, Birds Landing, Brentwood, Byron, Collinsville, Discovery Bay, Fairfield,

Isleton, Knightsen, Locke, Oakley, Pittsburg (partial), Rio Vista, Suisun City, Travis AFB, Vacaville and Walnut Grove.

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