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Bill jointly authored by Frazier to end traffic fatalities goes to the governor for his signature

SACRAMENTO – A bill to create a task force whose goal would be to end traffic fatalities in California has been approved by the Legislature and is on the governor’s desk. AB 2363, jointly authored by Assemblymembers Jim Frazier (D-Discovery Bay) and Laura Friedman (D-Glendale), would direct the Secretary of Transportation to create the Zero Traffic Fatalities Task Force, to develop a structured, coordinated process to form policies and reduce traffic fatalities caused by vehicle collisions to zero.

“Across the country, cities have taken the pledge to reduce traffic fatalities to zero,” said Frazier, chairman of the Assembly Transportation Committee. “This is a movement that must resonate in every California city. I lost a child to a traffic fatality that could have been prevented. I want to do whatever I can to spare other parents from suffering this loss. It is imperative we do everything we can to eliminate fatalities caused by excessive speed, in addition to distracted driving and driving under the influence.”

AB 2363 would direct the Secretary of Transportation to convene the Zero Traffic Fatalities Task Force by July 1, 2019 and submit a report to the Legislature by Jan. 1, 2020.

Members of the Task Force would include representatives from California Highway Patrol, Department of Transportation, Department of Public Health, the University of California and

other academic institutions, local governments, bicycle safety organizations, road safety organizations and labor organizations.

AB 2363 received wide bipartisan support in both houses of the Legislature.

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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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