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The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor, State of California
State Capitol, First Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Recommended Veto of SB 227 (Leyva)

Dear Governor Newsom:

I respectfully write to request your veto of Senate Bill 227, which creates a new, specific penalty for violating hospital nurse-patient staffing ratio requirements.

California hospitals are inspected on a regular basis to ensure patient safety and quality care. If violations are found, penalties are imposed based on an overall assessment of the severity and duration of the violations, including for any failure to meet the mandated staffing ratio.

For these reasons, I respectfully request your veto.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shannon Grove".

Shannon Grove
Senate Republican Leader