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

RE: Recommended Veto of AB 540 (Limon)

Dear Governor Newsom:

I respectfully write to request your veto of Assembly Bill 540, which establishes, commencing with the 2019-20 academic year, the California Dreamer Service Incentive Grant Program.

There are concerns that the Student Aid Commission may not be impartial in the selection of organizations, as envisioned by this bill. Decisions made by the Commission may potentially exclude organizations that run counter to the political background of the members who make up the Commission. These concerns could have been alleviated if the Commission was simply required to accept applications but not make a determination to approve or deny an organization.

For these reasons, I respectfully request your veto.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shannon Grove". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue rectangular background.

Shannon Grove
Senate Republican Leader