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The Honorable Anthony Portantino
Chair, Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation
1020 N Street, Room 162
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1935 and 1936 (de León) – SUPPORT

Dear Chairman Portantino;

The California Immigrant Policy Center (CIPC) is a statewide organization that seeks to inform public debate and policy decisions on issues affecting the state's immigrants and their families in order to improve the quality of life for all Californians. Our partners are: the Asian Pacific American Legal Center (APALC), the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA), the National Immigration Law Center (NILC), and Services, Immigrant Rights and Education Network (SIREN). CIPC and its partners advocate for policies and services that protect the livelihood of immigrants and promote their successful integration into California. As such, **CIPC supports AB 1935 and 1936 (de León)**, which would repeal a job-killing corporate tax loophole, and protect our state's General Fund from losing upwards of \$600 million/year in desperately-needed corporate tax revenue.

As you are aware, working families across the state are struggling to survive as we continue to grapple with the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression. We need to encourage greater job investment in California, and we simply cannot afford to continue to reward corporations that move jobs and operations out of state.

By repealing the "elective" component of the single sales factor, AB 1935 would remove the competitive advantage that out-of-state corporations have over California employers. We believe that this legislation is necessary to prevent further devastating cuts to education, health care, and other vital safety net services, and to assist in our overall economic recovery.

For these reasons, CIPC strongly supports AB 1935 and 1936. For more information, please call our advocate, Vanessa Cajina, at (916) 448-6762.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Members, Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation
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