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## How Safe are your Children going to be . . .

. . . when 200 California State Drug Enforcement Agents are laid off and shown the door?

If you have not heard, the California Department of Justice (DOJ) gave layoff notices to most of its Special Agents, ahead of layoffs that will affect nearly 200 drug enforcement agents. The notices will eliminate nearly 200 agents between now and the end of the year. The loss of these agents will gut the Department of Justice's Division of Law Enforcement, Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement (BNE). This will embolden drug traffickers and empower cartels!

The BNE Agents fill a vital and crucial role in combating drug crimes in California. Wherever California has a drug market, a cartel will have its members there, to service AND protect their market. Without BNE Agents to combat these cartel members, our quality of life will be impacted.

Look at the United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation press release of October 10, 2011 and see that even Iran believes the cartels have the

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means to carry out a deadly mission in the United States:

<http://www.fbi.gov/newyork/press-releases/2011/two-men-charged-in-alleged-plot-to-assassinate-saudi-arabian-ambassador-to-the-united-states>

We implore that all elected State of California Officials make any and all necessary changes to the State Budget to keep these California DOJ Agents. Without these Agents, it will not matter how many laws are passed because the rule of law in California will be significantly impacted and in doubt.

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