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Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr.  
Governor of California  
State Capitol, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 2043 (ARAMBULA) as amended August 17, 2018 – REQUEST  
FOR SIGNATURE**

Dear Governor Brown:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports AB 2043 and requests your signature.**

Children and caregivers in the child welfare system may be experiencing both short and long-term disabilities that may manifest in times of crises. During those times, supportive assistance can be very important to youth and caregivers to resolve conflicts, de-escalate, or even direct them toward resources. This support helps maintain a supportive relationship between the youth and caregiver.

The approach in this bill provides that support by establishing a statewide, toll-free hotline available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for caregivers and youth who are experiencing emotional, behavioral or other difficulties and need immediate help by requiring counties to establish mobile response teams to provide face-to-face, in-home response. This is an important tool for supporting youth and caregivers.

For these reasons, DRC supports this bill and requests your signature.  
Please contact me if you have any questions about our position or if I can provide any further information.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Curtis Child". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Curtis" and last name "Child" clearly distinguishable.

Curtis Child  
Legislative Director  
Disability Rights California

cc: Honorable Joaquin Arambula, California State Assembly  
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