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Honorable Jerry Brown Governor of California Capitol Building, 1st Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 935 (STONE) - 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 935 and requests your signature**.

AB 935 makes important revisions to the procedures for determining mental competence of a juvenile charged with a crime and for the evaluation and remediation services. The bill provides additional guidance for ensuring that a prompt determination of competence can be made so that these youth with disabilities can be transferred out of a juvenile facility and into appropriate treatment services.

This bill is a very important measure that will assist juveniles in getting the treatment they need as promptly as possible and ensure the treatment is in an appropriate setting.

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For these reasons, we support this bill and request your signature. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position on this bill.

Very truly yours,

Curtis Child

Legislative Director

Disability Rights California

cc: Honorable Mark Stone, California State Assembly

Rebecca Marcus, Chief of Staff, Office of Assembly Member Stone

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