



September 19, 2017

The Honorable Jerry Brown
Governor of California
California State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1284 (Dababneh) : California Financing Law - Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Programs - Request for Signature

Dear Governor Brown:

Advanced Energy Economy (AEE) requests your **signature** of **AB 1284**, which strengthens the PACE program by increasing consumer protection measures and establishing the California Department of Business Oversight as the regulatory body overseeing PACE providers. The bill also subjects PACE program administrators to important licensing requirements under the “California Financing Law”.

AEE is a national association of businesses dedicated to transforming public policy to enable a prosperous world that runs on clean, secure, affordable energy. We are comprised of over 100 companies both large and small across the technology spectrum, including energy efficiency, solar, wind, storage, biofuels, electric vehicles, demand response, advanced metering, and enabling software. Our members also include companies that have made a commitment to power their operations with renewable energy and are working with us to break down the barriers that inhibit them from reaching their sustainability goals.

Homes and businesses throughout the state benefit from access to affordable renewable energy and energy efficiency upgrades through PACE. Together with SB 242, this bill provides certainty for program practitioners and customers alike, preserving the integrity of this important GHG-reducing program while prioritizing the public interest. AB 1284 ensures PACE practice is financially sound, sustainable, and continuously successful, establishing a strong compliance model for other states to follow.

For these reasons, AEE supports AB 1284 and requests your signature when it is before you.

Sincerely,

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cc: Catalina Hayes-Bautista, Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary, Office of the Governor