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Quarterly Report
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Buddy Baker
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Dear Chief Baker:

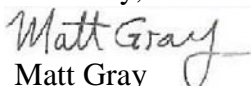
I am pleased to report continued progress is underway which I believe will prove successful in extending or eliminating the sunset clause within California Penal Code 653o to allow the continued sale of non-endangered alligator or crocodile products in the State of California. The following information serves to provide you with further details on those efforts to further the State of Louisiana's interests.

Introduction of Assembly Bill 527 (AB 527) was successful, with authorship by Assemblymember Randy Voepel (R-Santee) and Principal Co-Authorship by Senator Anna Caballero (D-Salinas). Sixty four (64) stakeholder groups have signed on in support of the measure, with six (6) groups opposing. AB 527 will have its first hearing before the Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife as early as April 9, 2019.

There have been many ongoing discussions with lawmakers and staff, committee staff, and stakeholder groups to work through the many substantial and in-depth economic, human and agricultural medical benefits, and other issues related to crocodilians and in support of AB 527. A successful Lobby Day was coordinated with Secretary Montoucet, stakeholder groups, and lobbyists in attendance to meet with lawmakers and staff.

I thank you and your staff for the ongoing valuable assistance and strategic support provided by your office. Attached hereto is the quarterly invoice for professional lobbying services rendered.

Sincerely,


Matt Gray