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Summary: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) OPPOSES Council File 22-0002-S81, which supports AB 2147, "The Freedom To Walk Act." The legislation would decriminalize jaywalking. This is problematic because pedestrian deaths in Los Angeles are at an all time high. There are also new LAPD guideline which address pre-textual stops and would render the legislation unnecessary.

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**COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes Council File 22-0002-S81: Title, AB 2147 (Ting and Friedman) / The Freedom to Walk Act / Decriminalize Jaywalking / Fair and Equitable Street Use / Roadway Crossing / Pedestrian Safety. "The Freedom To Walk Act" is a misleading title. The goal of the legislation is to eliminate pretextual stops. The Los Angeles Police Department defines a pretextual stop as one in which officers conducting a minor traffic or code violation escalate it into an investigation of a more serious crime unrelated to the initial violation. LAPD Chief Moore already implemented new guidelines addressing pretextual stops. This is better accomplished at the local level, rather than Sacramento's ongoing decriminalization of criminal activity and code violations under the guise of something else. The timing for this legislation couldn't be worse, with pedestrian deaths as well as all types of roadway injuries and fatalities in Los Angeles hitting all time highs. Our City Council should wait for the results of Chief Moore's new policy which addresses the core issue of this council file. Changes and revisions to the LAPD policy should be based on local input and results, not from Sacramento.

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