

AMENDED IN SENATE JULY 3, 2007

Senate Resolution

No. 17

Introduced by Senators Florez and Steinberg

June 18, 2007

Senate Resolution No. 17—Relative to the Airport Security-Surrendered Items Donation Program.

1 WHEREAS, The Federal Transportation Security Administration
2 has certain policies which prohibit individuals from carrying liquids
3 in amounts greater than three ounces on their person when flying
4 *on an airline*; and

5 WHEREAS, Any items over the requisite threshold must be
6 surrendered to *airport personnel prior to reaching an airport*
7 *security screening station or to* Transportation Security
8 Administration officials at airport security screening stations; and

9 WHEREAS, Surrendered items include toiletries such as
10 shampoo, deodorant, and shaving cream, *often in an unused and*
11 *unopened condition*; and

12 WHEREAS, Once surrendered, these items are typically
13 destroyed. This amounts to hundreds of pounds of destroyed
14 materials each week; and

15 WHEREAS, These surrendered items, *when unused and*
16 *unopened*, are useful to certain communities that are in need,
17 including homeless shelters; ~~now, therefore, be it and~~

18 WHEREAS, *Unlike articles of clothing or furniture, nonprofit*
19 *and charitable organizations serving persons in need distribute*
20 *donated items for human consumption, or for application to the*
21 *human body, only when those items are unused and unopened and*
22 *there is no evidence of tampering; and*

1 *WHEREAS, Nonprofit and charitable organizations distributing*
2 *donated items to persons in need carry suitable liability insurance*
3 *policies and are willing to accept all liability for donated items;*
4 *now, therefore, be it*

5 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the Senate*
6 *of the State of California respectfully calls upon California's*
7 *airports serving scheduled airlines and Transportation Security*
8 *Administration officials at California's airports to implement a*
9 *program to collect useful items, confiscated at security screening*
10 *stations, and donate them to nonprofit organizations that support*
11 *communities in need of those items; and be it further*

12 *Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of*
13 *this resolution to the heads of California's airports serving*
14 *scheduled airlines, to the head Transportation Security*
15 *Administration officials at California's airports, to the Speaker of*
16 *the House of Representatives, to the Majority Leader of the Senate,*
17 *and to each Senator and Representative from California in the*
18 *Congress of the United States.*