

**SAMPLE CPS BILL LETTER TO STATE LEGISLATOR  
(REQUEST FOR SUPPORT)**

**DATE**

The Honorable **[name of state legislator]**  
**[state] Legislature**  
**Address**  
**City, State ZIP**

Dear **[Senator or Representative] [last name]**:

On behalf of Boost MI Kids, I would like to express my support for Senate Bill 82 and House Bills 4536, 4537, and 4538, which will upgrade Michigan's child passenger safety law.

As you know, motor vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of unintentional injury-related death among children ages 14 and under. Each year in the United States, nearly 1,600 child occupants ages 14 and under die in motor vehicle crashes and close to 228,000 are injured as occupants in motor vehicles. Improperly restrained children are more likely to be injured, to suffer more severe injuries and to die in motor vehicle crashes than children who are restrained properly.

We know that strong occupant protection laws that are consistently enforced are one of the best ways to prevent injuries and save children's lives. If the bills mentioned above are enacted into law, they would close significant gaps in Michigan's child occupant protection law by requiring some older children to ride properly restrained in a booster seat, secured by the motor vehicle's seat belt system.

If Boost MI Kids can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at **[phone number]**. Thank you for your anticipated leadership on this important safety initiative.

Sincerely,

**[Name]**  
**[Title]**