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Dear Mr. Burnett,

At our spring meeting in San Francisco on April 8, the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic Violence discussed the Uniform Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act. Your Deputy Executive Director, Michael Kerr was very helpful in explaining the purpose and content of the act to the Commissioners, as well as explaining the deliberate process undertaken by NCCUSL members, advisors, and observers in drafting the act. Mr. Kerr also shared information with us about the concerns expressed by the Department of Justice Violence Against Women Office regarding the act, and the resulting proposed amendments that will be presented for vote at NCCUSL's meeting this summer that will satisfy VAWO's concerns.

After thoroughly discussing this matter, the Commission on Domestic Violence voted unanimously to endorse the Uniform Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act as amended and commends your organization for work well done.

Best of luck in your endeavors to have this important law enacted throughout the United States.

Sincerely,



Bette J. Garlow
Director, American Bar Association Commission on Domestic Violence