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Hon William Langer, Governor, Bismarck ND

California as well as other States with sales taxes or similar levies is vitally interested in early passage of Federal Legislation authorizing States to tax incoming interstate shipments on nondiscriminatory basis stop Our merchants now subjected to non taxable interstate competition with bad economic consequences aside from loss of tax involved stop Measure drafted by National Association of State tax Administrators introduced by Senator Harrison as S Two eight nine seven and Sadowski of Michigan as H R eight three naught three stop Believe bills reasonably sure early passage if importance to states and their merchantile interests brought to attention of congress stop Word received here today this bill favorably reported by Interstate Commerce Committee of Senate and now on senate floor stop Urge you wire Endorsement immediately to Delegation from your State.

James Rolph Jr. Governor