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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

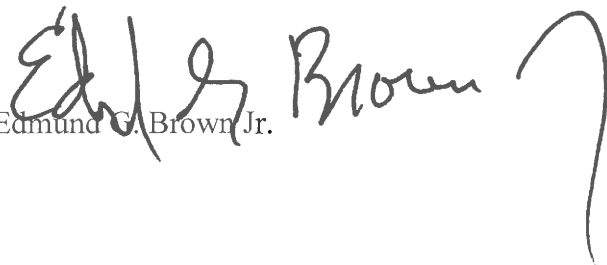
I am returning Assembly Bill 141 without my signature.

This bill prohibits a local educational agency from charging a teacher to complete a beginning teacher induction program. This prohibition will create a reimbursable mandate estimated to cost over \$100 million annually.

The vast majority of local educational agencies provide induction and support to beginning teachers free of charge. I commend these entities for recognizing the importance of supporting and retaining new teachers.

In addition to funding allocated through the Local Control Funding Formula, the state has provided \$490 million in this year's budget to promote educator quality over the next three years. Part of this funding should be used to support new teachers. Creating a new mandate, however, is not the answer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edmund G. Brown Jr." with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.