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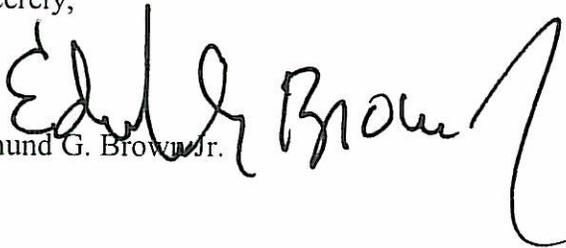
To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1978 without my signature.

The bill would prohibit placement of an unattended collection box on private property unless the owner or operator of the box obtains the written consent of the property owner.

I support the author's goal of giving property owners more tools to enforce their property rights. However, I believe the language can be more narrowly crafted to avoid unintended consequences to local charities and nonprofits. I look forward to working with the author next year to craft a more balanced approach.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.