



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2147 without my signature.

This bill allows the seizure and impoundment of a vehicle used for the solicitation of prostitution without the current requirement that a local governing body approve an authorizing ordinance.

Current law permits local governments to pass ordinances providing for the impoundment of vehicles used in a number of crimes related to prostitution. This bill seeks to remove the local ordinance requirement only for solicitation, while leaving it in place for other offenses such as pimping and pandering.

While I am in agreement with the author's broader desire to combat human trafficking in our communities, I believe existing law is sufficient in permitting the use of vehicle impoundment as a means of doing so.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.