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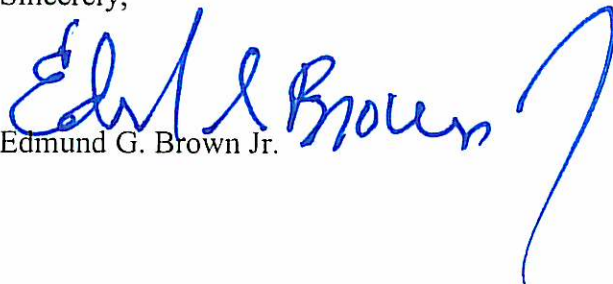
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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1310 without my signature.

I believe the current fines and penalties of \$213 and \$336 for cell phone use and texting while driving are a powerful deterrent. I have found even a \$50 ticket unpleasant enough. My point here is that the current fines are not trivial but do in fact get drivers' attention. Upping the fines may satisfy the punitive instincts of some, but I severely doubt that it will further reduce violations.

Sincerely,

  
Edmund G. Brown Jr.