



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 582 without my signature.

This bill authorizes a regional planning organization, under certain conditions, to require businesses with 20 or more employees to offer commute benefits.

City and county governments already can mandate programs of this type—and some have.

While I support the goal of reducing vehicle trips, this bill would impose a new mandate on small businesses at a time of economic uncertainty.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Edmund G. Brown Jr." with a long, sweeping flourish at the end.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.