



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 747 without my signature.

This bill would order doctors, nurses and other licensed health care professionals to take a brief "continuing education" course on how to treat and care for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons.

I believe that respective licensing boards are better suited than the Legislature or the Governor to decide these matters.

Sincerely,

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

Edmund G. Brown Jr.