



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 349 without my signature.

This bill would protect individuals against civil arrest of any kind while attending a judicial proceeding in a courthouse.

I support the underlying intent of this measure, but I am concerned that it may have unintended consequences. Last year I signed SB 54 (De Leon), a provision of which tasked the Attorney General with publishing model policies limiting assistance with immigration enforcement to the fullest extent possible at courthouses and other public facilities to ensure that they remain safe and accessible to all California residents, regardless of immigration status. I believe the prudent path is to allow for that guidance to be released before enacting new laws in this area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edmund G. Brown Jr.", with a long, sweeping flourish at the end.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.

