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I object to the following appropriations contained in Assembly Bill 74.

Item 0250-301-0001—For capital outlay, Judicial Branch. I delete this item.

I am eliminating the \$2,800,000 appropriation for the El Dorado County Courthouse. While I understand that there is a need to build this new courthouse, this expenditure authority is premature until the Judicial Council completes the statutorily-required statewide facilities needs assessment.

Item 0521-101-0001—For local assistance, Secretary of Transportation. I sustain this item.

Chapter 934, Statutes of 2018, requires the Transportation Agency, in consultation with the Natural Resources Agency, to conduct an assessment of the North Coast Railroad Authority to determine what is needed to dissolve the authority and dispense with its assets and liabilities, and to report on the assessment to the Legislature before July 1, 2020. I am sustaining the \$8,800,000 for expenses related to dissolving the North Coast Railroad Authority; however, these funds will not be released until the required assessment of assets and liabilities is completed. The Administration is committed to the dissolution of the North Coast Railroad Authority.

Item 0650-491—Reappropriation, Office of Planning and Research. I revise this item by deleting Provision 1.

This veto is technical in nature and deletes Provision 1 to conform to the Legislature's intent.

Item 7320-001-0001—For support of Public Employment Relations Board. I revise this item from \$17,251,000 to \$14,751,000 by reducing:

(1) 6070-Public Employment Relations Board from \$17,371,000 to \$14,871,000;

and by deleting Provision 1.

I am deleting the \$2,500,000 legislative augmentation, which would provide additional resources to the Public Employment Relations Board. The expenditure authority is premature. A recent mission-based review of the Board resulted in adding 18 positions and \$4,300,000. My Administration will continue to monitor and review workload and backlogs and propose any needed changes.

I am also deleting Provision 1 to conform to this action.

With the above deletions, revisions, and reductions, I hereby approve Assembly Bill 74.



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