



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 520 without my signature.

This measure seeks to codify a definition of the term "de minimis" to define the level of public subsidy that would trigger prevailing wage requirements on an otherwise private project.

While I steadfastly support prevailing wage law, I am concerned that the restrictive nature of this law may have unintended consequences. Further, there is nothing to suggest that the longstanding administrative practice of considering the public subsidy in the context of the project and using two percent as a general threshold is insufficient.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,



Gavin Newsom

