



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 733 without my signature.

This bill requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to include an optional alternative acute aquatic toxicity test for hazardous waste identification that does not use live vertebrate fish, should a test be found suitable after an evaluation by DTSC.

While updating the state's aquatic toxicity test for hazardous waste is laudable and should be explored, DTSC estimates that this bill would require \$4.9 million to implement. As the Hazardous Waste Control Account has a structural deficit, the account and the department cannot support this additional activity and expense until the fiscal deficiencies have been addressed.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Gavin Newsom", written over the printed name.

