



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 545 without my signature.

AB 545 would sunset the Bureau of Cannabis Control and subject the Bureau to review by the Joint Sunset Review Committee.

The Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA) divides regulatory authority over commercial cannabis activity among the Bureau of Cannabis Control, the Department of Food and Agriculture and the State Department of Public Health. My Administration has proposed consolidating the regulatory authority currently divided between three state entities into one single department, which we hope to achieve next year in partnership with the Legislature.

Therefore, this bill is premature, and I am returning it without my signature.

Sincerely,



Gavin Newsom

