



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1461 without my signature.

This bill would codify existing practices of the Trafficking and Crime Victim Assistance Program, and would expand the population eligible to receive these benefits to include those who have applied for immigration relief under the Violence Against Women Act, Special Immigrant Juvenile Status, or asylum status.

While I share the author's goal of ensuring that vulnerable populations have the resources necessary to meet their needs while they await adjudication of their application for immigration relief, bills with a significant fiscal impact, such as this, are best considered in the annual budget process.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom