



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 783 without my signature.

This bill prohibits the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) from issuing a citation or notice to a surface mine employer more than six months after the occurrence of a violation, and requires inspectors to issue a "Notice of Hazard" within 72 hours of a surface mine inspection when they find conditions that could lead to injury if not promptly addressed.

Existing law already provides that a citation or notice shall not be issued by DOSH more than 6 months after an inspection and DOSH currently provides preliminary findings about any observations observed during a surface mine inspection. If DOSH observes an imminent hazard to employees it must warn the employer and issue an Order Prohibiting Use until the dangerous condition is eliminated.



AB 783 requires a written notice of potential or actual hazards which is information already transmitted to the employer through the course of the inspection. As a result, this bill increases costs and workload to DOSH without measurably improving work conditions. For this reason, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,



Gavin Newsom