



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 110 without my signature.

This bill would require Medi-Cal substance use disorder services to include contingency management services as an optional benefit under the Drug Medi-Cal organized delivery system, subject to utilization controls.

Given the promise of contingency management as a treatment for stimulant use disorders, the 2021-22 Budget includes funding to support a pilot contingency management Medi-Cal benefit from January 2022 through March 2024. The Department of Health Care Services has sought federal approval for this pilot project and will work expeditiously to implement it once it is authorized.

The outcomes and lessons learned from the pilot project should be evaluated before permanently extending the Medi-Cal benefit. As such, this bill is premature, and I am returning it without my signature.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom