



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1306 without my signature.

This bill prohibits the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) from providing any information or responding to a request for coordination from the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), a federal law enforcement agency, regarding the imminent release of an incarcerated non-citizen, if the person is being released under specific circumstances.

The bill would prevent information sharing and coordination upon a person's release from CDCR custody for a significant number of people and, as a result, would impede CDCR's interaction with a federal law enforcement agency charged with assessing public safety risks.

I believe current law strikes the right balance on limiting interaction to support community trust and cooperation between law enforcement and local communities.

For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.

However, as an Administration, we recognize that improvements in this process are important. CDCR will limit how it communicates with ICE as a federal law enforcement agency, so information is only provided to ICE when a non-citizen individual enters prison and is approaching their release date. ICE will determine how it will proceed with its enforcement of federal law.



Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

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