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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1057 without my signature.

This bill would codify the existing California Home Visiting Program (CHVP) and require the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to allocate funds to participating Local Health Departments to implement the CHVP using any federally approved home visiting model. CDPH would be required to submit a report to the Legislature every two years on performance outcomes.

I support the author's goal to improve maternal, child, and infant health outcomes, and cultivate strong families and communities. For this reason, I am instructing CDPH to ensure there is collaboration with home visiting partners, local health directors, local health officers, and other affected stakeholders to meet local CHVP needs. However, this bill creates new General Fund costs that are not included in the budget, as well as cost pressures if the CHVP approves additional home visiting models outside of the annual budget process.

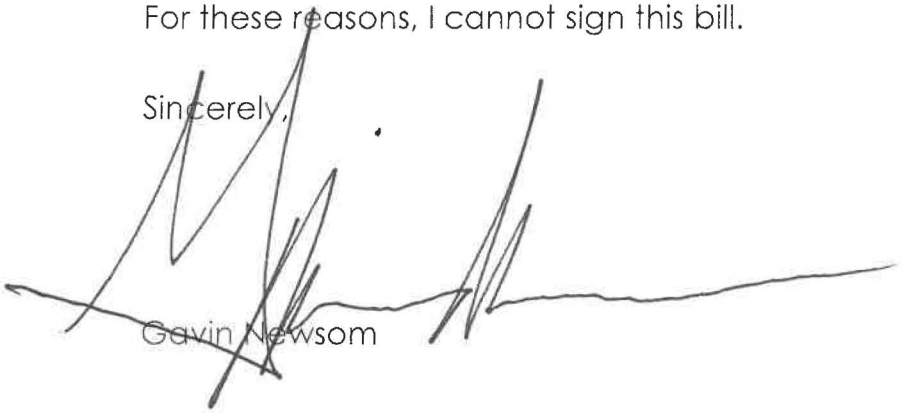
In partnership with the Legislature, we enacted a budget that closed a shortfall of more than $30 billion through balanced solutions that avoided deep program cuts and protected education, health care, climate, public safety, and social service programs that are relied on by millions of Californians.

This year, however, the Legislature sent me bills outside of this budget process that, if all enacted, would add nearly $19 billion of unaccounted costs in the budget, of which $11 billion would be ongoing.

With our state facing continuing economic risk and revenue uncertainty, it is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications, such as this measure.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,



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