

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2670 without my signature.

This bill would require the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to develop an awareness campaign to promote the state's abortion.ca.gov website.

I strongly support increasing the availability of and promoting access to safe and affordable reproductive health care in California. This is why we created abortion.ca.gov, so women can have access to reliable abortion care information. This bill proposes a campaign that is well-intentioned but unfunded.

Furthermore, even if provided with adequate funding, legislation would not be required for CDPH to do this work.

In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Gavin Newtom

Sincerely