

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am signing Assembly Bill 2738, which extends local public prosecutor enforcement authority for violations of existing workplace safety laws to entertainment venues; requires the court to award a prevailing plaintiff reasonable attorney's fees for the enforcement of specified labor laws; and adds public events venue or a contracting entity to the entities responsible for the live events safety training requirements.

Existing law authorizes a public prosecutor to enforce certain provisions of the labor code, until January 1, 2029. This period allows us the ability to assess the effectiveness of local enforcement, including requirements of this bill. I appreciate the efforts by the author and sponsors to help ensure workers can enforce their rights under the Labor Code at the local level. Nevertheless, we need to monitor this expansion in the coming years to ensure this authority is being used as intended and evaluated for any unintended consequences.

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