



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 832 without my signature.

This bill would require that at least one of the Governor-appointed members of the California Transportation Commission (CTC) have expertise in transportation issues and professional experience representing disadvantaged communities.

Under existing law, the Governor is already required to make every effort to ensure the CTC has a balanced and diverse membership with expertise in transportation issues, taking into consideration factors including, but not limited to, socioeconomic background and professional experience, which may include experience working in, or representing, disadvantaged communities. This process has proven effective in achieving diverse representation without the need for further codifying specific requirements in statute.

Given this existing statutory commitment, and the authority already vested in the Office of the Governor to make appointments to the CTC, this bill is unnecessary.

For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

