



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1020 without my signature.

This bill would require that law enforcement agencies and instructors adopt policies prohibiting the use of "ethnic shooting targets."

Law enforcement training should not reinforce ethnic biases. But the definition of "ethnic shooting target" in this bill is so broad that it could effectively ban targets with *any* realistic facial features, undermining efforts by law enforcement to train officers effectively.

For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gavin Newsom", written over a horizontal line.

Gavin Newsom

