



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1170 without my signature.

This bill would allow campaign funds to be used for mental health care expenses to address mental health issues that arise during a campaign or for candidates who have been adversely impacted by campaign-related activities, under specific conditions.

Under current statute, the Political Reform Act prohibits the use of campaign funds for health-related expenses. This bill would create new exceptions to that prohibition and open the door for new expansions that go beyond what a reasonable donor would expect.

For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

