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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1411 without my signature.

This bill requires the Instructional Quality Commission (IQC), when it revises a curriculum framework in mathematics or science, to ensure representation from higher education faculty with relevant subject matter expertise on the associated Curriculum Framework and Evaluation Criteria Committee (CFCC). It also authorizes the Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates (ICAS) to nominate two faculty from California public institutions of higher education for consideration to serve on the relevant CFCC.

Strong collaborations between higher education and K-12 regarding state curriculum guidance and decision-making, including requirements for secondary course offerings and university admissions, are consistent with the State's goal to ensure successful student transitions to college and career. However, this bill is unnecessary, as higher education content experts have been represented on the CFCC. Further, this bill seeks to insert a nomination process relating to committee selection that strays from the established competitive application process that provides equal opportunity for all qualified individuals, including representatives of ICAS, to apply for consideration.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom