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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1387 without my signature.

This bill would authorize counties to establish a behavioral health multidisciplinary personnel team to serve justice-involved (JI) individuals with mental illness and allow provider agencies to share information to coordinate supportive services.

Last year, I vetoed a nearly identical bill, stating it was both premature and duplicative of the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) CalAIM JI Initiative. Through this initiative, counties are already allowed to establish multidisciplinary teams and share confidential information among providers to ensure JI individuals have continuity of coverage upon release and access to essential health services that will help them successfully return to their communities.

While I appreciate the author's commitment to this issue, like its predecessor, this bill remains duplicative of these existing efforts. It would be more timely to assess this proposal following full implementation of the CalAIM JI Initiative and once data is available to identify any remaining gaps.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely

Gavin Newsom