



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 86 without my signature.

This bill requires the State Board of Education (SBE) to adopt instructional materials for health education for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive, by July 1, 2028, in alignment with the Health Education Framework adopted by the SBE in 2019.

The Budget Act of 2025 authorized a Curriculum Guidance Study to evaluate and improve the current state-level curriculum guidance adoption process to improve efficiency and consistency across all content areas. Proposals like AB 86 should only be considered after this study is complete and changes to the process are adopted. In the meantime, local governing boards continue to have the authority to evaluate and select a range of materials that align with the state standards and the associated curriculum framework.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,



Gavin Newsom