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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1064 without my signature.

This bill would reduce required testing under the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Clean Truck Check program from semiannual to annual for certain heavy-duty vehicles.

I appreciate the author's intent to ease compliance costs for low-mileage fleets. However, Clean Truck Check is a critical measure for reducing vehicle emissions. Reduced testing would allow malfunctioning emissions systems to go undetected for extended periods, worsening air quality and undermining health protections for communities along freight corridors.

Due to illegal actions by the federal government, California faces a 165-ton-per-day NOx deficit. Weakening the Clean Truck Check risks the state's ability to meet federal attainment obligations and jeopardizes access to tens of billions of dollars in federal transportation funding.

Clean Truck Check already offers flexible, low-burden compliance pathways — including mobile testing, self-credentialing, and telematics-based automated reporting — that address the concerns this bill seeks to confront without compromising Californians' ability to breathe cleaner air.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom