

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1765 without my signature.

This bill would require the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing to convene an advisory panel to come up with ways to identify and possibly reward teachers who help other teachers become more effective in the classroom.

Given that the Commission is facing a huge backlog of cases, it is not the time to assume additional responsibilities. While I enthusiastically support professional development, especially by skilled teachers, nothing precludes local educators from doing this work. I don't think another government panel is needed.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.