



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

May 4, 2016

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill X2 10 without my signature.

This bill would permit, on a blanket basis, tobacco taxation at the discretion of local counties.

Although California has one of the lowest cigarette tax rates in the nation, I am reluctant to approve this measure in view of all the taxes being proposed for the 2016 ballot.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.