

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1113 without my signature.

This measure expands restrictions on teenage drivers based on time of day and age.

Current law requires a teen to first obtain an instructional permit beginning at age 15½ for six months, followed by a provisional driver license for 12 months. A driver with a provisional license is prohibited both from transporting someone under the age of 20 and from driving between the hours of 11 PM and 5 AM. The statistics indicate that these restrictions have been effective in saving lives.

I understand and agree with the need to address factors that contribute to the unnecessary accidents and deaths of young Californians on our highways, and commend Assemblyman Frazier for his efforts.

Rather than imposing yet even more restrictions on a teenager's driving privilege, I am directing the Department of Motor Vehicles, California Highway Patrol, and Office of Traffic Safety to implement a teen driver training and education program to improve transportation safety for provisional drivers.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.