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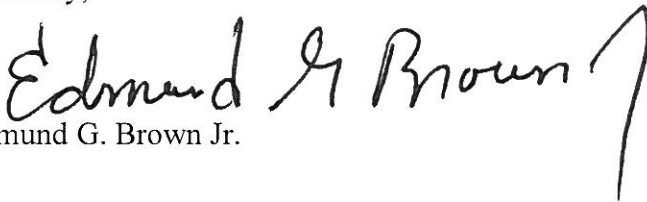
To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1116 without my signature.

This bill would require the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) to consider multiple languages and needs of populations who have limited English language proficiency during emergency preparedness planning, response, and recovery.

This bill is unnecessary. Cal EMA already considers the needs of limited English proficiency populations when revising and preparing emergency preparedness materials. Moreover, I will direct Cal EMA to review local plans to account for populations that do not speak English when alerts for evacuation are issued or when emergency medical care is required at shelters.

Sincerely,

  
Edmund G. Brown Jr.