

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1220 without my signature.

This bill increases the statute of limitations from 90 days to 3 years for a citizen to file a Notice of Deficiency in a locally adopted housing element.

While I understand the value of using the courts to compel compliance with state housing goals, there should be a balance between a local government's planning authority and citizen oversight. This bill tilts that balance and creates too much uncertainty.

Sincerely,

Edward G. Brown Jr.