

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1287 without my signature.

This bill expands Cal Grant eligibility by allowing students who no longer meet financial eligibility requirements to put their Cal Grant award on reserve status until they become eligible. This change results in a costly expansion of the program.

While I agree that the current Cal Grant program is not perfect, I am not convinced that AB 1287 is the right solution. I remain committed to helping students succeed and see merit in reviewing the current policy. However, I am reluctant to commit limited state resources to expand the Cal Grant program in this way.

Sincerely,

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