



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1429 without my signature.

This measure would require the state to pay 100 percent of total state eligible costs for damages sustained to Del Norte County by the March 2011 tsunami.

The state has not paid for a local government's share of disaster costs since 2006 and this measure would cost the state over \$1 million. In addition, if I sign this measure, other counties that sustain similar damages would likely request the same relief -- a precedent that the state currently cannot afford.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.