



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2009 without my signature.

The bill requires public colleges and universities to have a staff member who is knowledgeable about financial aid and academic opportunities for undocumented students and also encourages the creation of resource centers for these students.

The state has long recognized that dreamers should pay resident tuition at public colleges and universities and also be eligible to receive financial aid. At this stage, all of our higher education institutions ought to be well-versed in the rights and opportunities available to undocumented students.

Rather than reinforcing state law with an additional law, I am calling upon University of California President Janet Napolitano and California State University President Tim White to ensure that relevant campus personnel can ably fulfill these duties, and I will request incoming California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Oakley to help our 113 community college campuses do the same.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edmund G. Brown Jr." with a long, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.