



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2378 without my signature.

This bill provides that the right of certain fire and peace officers to a leave of absence for up to one year with full tax-free pay as a result of on-the-job disability would not offset or otherwise impinge on their right to up to 104 weeks of temporary disability benefits.

The bill provides a benefit increase for a limited class of employees. The special considerations supporting salary continuation for public safety employees do not correspondingly support the expectation that these employees will need substantially more time than other injured workers to recover from their injuries.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.