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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2561 without my signature.

I respect the time and effort that surgical technologists have put into developing their skills and obtaining voluntary certification. Such actions speak well of their professional commitment and desire to advance their careers.

I don't agree, however, that we need to establish "title protection" for certified surgical technologists in law. For those who have taken the time to become certified, let the marketplace reward their higher skills and education. Recognition by the state is not needed.

Sincerely,

Edward G. Brown Jr.