

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 700 without my signature.

This bill takes the state's Infrastructure Bank (I-Bank) out of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency and makes it a stand-alone agency reporting directly to the Governor.

I agree with the author that the I-Bank can be better situated so that it operates more effectively. Toward that end, I will propose a reorganization plan in connection with the upcoming budget that will include changes in the I-Bank. I hope to work with the author to achieve our mutual goals.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.