



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

SEP 16 2016

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1162 without my signature.

This bill allows the Mammoth Lake Fire District to request that the California Public Employees' Retirement System Board transfer assets from the District's superfunded miscellaneous employee plan to its safety employee plan in order to pay for unfunded liabilities in the safety plan.

Inherent in the nature of our pension systems is that each employee plan be funded separately and expend its funds only for the benefit of specific beneficiaries. This bill would upend this longstanding practice and set a harmful precedent by allowing the transfer of assets from one employee group to another.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edmund G. Brown Jr." with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.