

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am signing SB 322 which requires the Department of Public Health in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, to investigate the feasibility of developing uniform water recycling criteria for direct potable reuse by September 2016.

This information is past due. In an effort to enhance the use of recycled water, I have proposed the consolidation of the management of the drinking water program and all other water quality programs, including recycled water, under the State Water Board.

I am directing the Water Board to ensure that this work is completed expeditiously. The 3-year time frame mandated in this bill is too slow. California needs more high quality water and recycling is key to getting there.

Sincerely,

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