



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 535 without my signature.

The bill seeks to increase the membership of the California Commission on Emergency Medical Services from 18 members to 20 members, adding representatives from air ambulance and air rescue and transport.

My administration proposed to eliminate this commission in 2011, as part of an overall effort to consolidate departments and streamline boards and commissions. For as long as the Commission continues to perform its work, there should be no shortage of expertise or willingness of an 18-member body to address all aspects of the system, including air ambulance and air rescue. Any lack of appropriate attention should be remedied by the commission and the public process that is used to address matters of import to the public and other system stakeholders.

Sincerely,



Edmund G. Brown Jr.