



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 582 without my signature.

This bill requires the Board of Equalization, Franchise Tax Board, and Employment Development Department to conduct a feasibility study on the development of a Webpage that “virtually consolidates” these departments to improve service to taxpayers.

Consolidation of the tax departments has been studied for decades. We don’t need to conduct any further studies. I instruct the Secretary of the Government Operations Agency to determine if taxpayer service can be improved in a cost effective manner with a single state Webpage for all state taxes. If it can, my administration will work with the author to seek implementing legislation should it be needed.

Sincerely,

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

Edmund G. Brown Jr.