



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 894 without my signature.

This bill makes it an infraction (or a misdemeanor for the 3rd offense) to fail to report the theft, loss, or recovery of a lost or stolen firearm.

I vetoed similar measures in 2012 and 2013, because I did not believe that a measure of this type would help identify gun traffickers or enable law enforcement to disarm people prohibited from having guns.

I continue to believe that responsible people report the loss or theft of a firearm and irresponsible people do not; it is not likely that this bill would change that.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edmund G. Brown Jr.", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.