

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 900 without my signature.

This bill would transfer \$500,000 from the General Fund to the Land Bank Fund and would require additional transfer of funds that would be available upon appropriation for coastal hazard removal and remediation.

I am directing the Department of Conservation to work with the State Lands Commission to develop an inventory of legacy oil and gas wells and other hazards along the California coastline to determine the oil seepage locations, rates and environmental impacts.

Having this information will better inform what remedial actions might be warranted for both the short and long-term, and appropriate ways of funding the needed actions.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr