



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1393 without my signature.

This bill requires courts to impose a mandatory 30-day vehicle impoundment for a second or subsequent case of reckless driving or engaging in an illegal speed contest.

I vetoed a similar bill in 2015, because I believed that current law already allows judges – who see and evaluate first-hand the facts of each case – to impound cars for up to 30 days when circumstances warrant.

I continue to believe that there is no reason for this law except to supplant sound judicial discretion with robotic and abstract justice – something I don't support.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.