



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am signing Assembly Bill 203, which requires the Office of Public School Construction and the California Department of Education to develop regulations that will provide school districts with additional flexibility in the design of instructional facilities. This bill also requires the Department to provide technical assistance to small school districts seeking to build or fund school facilities.

I share the author's goal of streamlining school design and the process for applying to the state for construction funds. While this bill will create some flexibility for local schools, we need to explore additional steps to bring greater flexibility to the School Facilities Program. This could include some modifications to Proposition 51, which now makes the system far too rigid.

I look forward to working with the author and school districts to achieve more substantial reforms.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.