

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 978 without my signature.

This bill would require employers to provide their employees, or their representative, access to an employer's written injury and illness prevention program within ten business days upon request.

I support policies that promote access and transparency in order to prevent injuries and improve health and safety. This bill, however, is unnecessary and duplicative of an existing regulatory proposal that is already underway at the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board. The Standards Board advisory committee process is better suited to determine how to properly implement requirements of this kind.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.