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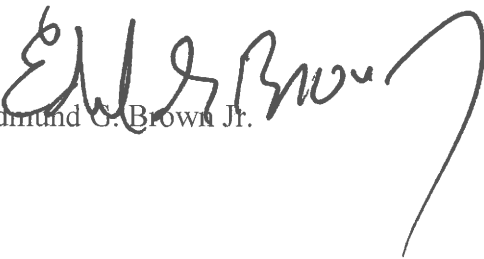
To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 643 without my signature.

This bill adds Duchenne muscular dystrophy to the list of medical conditions eligible for health care coverage under the Genetically Handicapped Persons Program.

California's implementation of the Affordable Care Act has expanded subsidized health care coverage provided by Medi-Cal and Covered California so coverage is available to adults with serious genetic diseases such as Duchenne. As such, there is no longer a need to expand specialized coverage programs.

Sincerely,



Edmund G. Brown Jr.