

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1882 without my signature.

This bill adds human trafficking to the list of offenses for which it is a crime to contact or communicate with a minor for the purposes of committing a crime involving the minor.

While well intentioned, this bill is not necessary. A myriad of statutes provide punishment for commercial sex acts, as well as using, paying or employing minors to commit commercial sex acts. Additionally, anyone who contacts or communicates—or attempts to contact or communicate—with a minor with the intent to commit a sex offense, including human trafficking, is liable to be prosecuted with an attempt to commit any number of felonies.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Is