



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2361 without my signature.

This bill would require vendors to provide, and the Regents of the University of California to collect and report on, information about outsourcing contracts, including the wages, employee classifications and nature of work being provided by the vendor.

I have vetoed similar bills three times before because of what I view as unreasonable interference into university management on this topic. While I support the goal of the author to increase transparency into the possible pay disparities between university employees and contracted workers, I believe this bill goes too far and could potentially limit the UC's appropriate contracting.

Since my veto last year, the University has reviewed their contracting practices and have taken appropriate steps to improve transparency and reduce pay disparities.

I have no doubt that there is more work to be done and I encourage the Office of the President and the Regents to move forward on the remaining recommendations from the auditor. To that end, I urge the Regents to promptly turn their attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edmund G. Brown Jr." with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.