



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2474 without my signature.

This bill authorizes the Department of Toxic Substance Control to evaluate alternative methods from its standard bioassay procedure when determining if a product is hazardous waste.

The Department currently has the authority to establish alternative methods of testing a product's toxicity to aquatic life. Despite this, it has not exercised this option because such tests are too expensive. The Department has a structural deficit and I am not inclined to sign legislation that creates additional cost pressures.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.