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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 724 without my signature.

This bill would establish a new re-adoption process for foreign-born adopted children and require parents to complete this process to have their children recognized by the state.

This measure is well-intentioned but goes too far because it requires a private adoption agency to proceed with the re-adoption process if the parents do not. I believe that parents who adopt foreign-born children can and will make their own decisions with respect to their child.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown J.