

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 715 without my signature.

This bill requires the California Air Resources Board to exempt off-road diesel vehicles owned or operated by state-registered nonprofit apprenticeship training programs from any regulation that reduces emissions of diesel particulate matter, oxides of nitrogen, and other criteria pollutants.

This exemption could cause a shortfall in mandated air pollution emissions reductions, which may require us to revise our State Implementation Plan to remain in compliance with the federal Clean Air Act. Working with the federal administration to revise our State Implementation Plan in a time of pressing air quality challenges is difficult and unwise. As such, I direct the Board to work with the author and sponsors of this bill on an administrative solution that minimizes adverse impacts on apprenticeship programs, yet also protects air quality.

Sincerely,

Edmund (-Brown Ir.