

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

## SEP 30 2018

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 829 without my signature.

This bill authorizes retailers to offer free cannabis or cannabis goods to medicinal patients who have a physician's recommendation.

This bill contains provisions that conflict with the strict standards contained in the voter approved Control, Regulate, and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act. Providing free cannabis to a person with only a doctor's recommendation undermines these rules and the intent of the voters. For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr. Row