

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 903 without my signature.

This bill would extend the period of time within which the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE) may commence a collection action for recovery of civil penalties from one year to three years from the date the penalty or fee became final.

While I appreciate the author's attempts to ensure that DLSE is afforded enough time to initiate legal proceedings to collect penalties, there has been no clear demonstration that existing law presents any significant difficulty for the division.

Since an extension of the statute of limitations is unnecessary, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger