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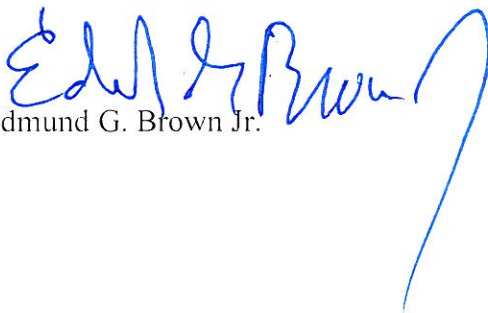
To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 199 without my signature.

Allowing voters to return their vote-by-mail ballot at any polling location in the state will add complexity to the voting and election process without commensurate benefit.

California has liberal registration and vote-by-mail laws that are sufficient to allow the timely return of a vote-by-mail ballot.

Sincerely,


Edmund G. Brown Jr.