

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 532 without my signature.

This bill authorizes a court to collaborate with outside organizations to develop a program to offer mental health and addiction treatment services to women charged with specified non-felony complaints.

The programs to assist women in jail contemplated by this bill are laudatory, but the judicial branch already has full authority to develop collaborative courts which address these kinds of treatment services.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.