

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1120 without my signature.

This bill restricts the sale of butane products, and creates a butane sales database housed in the Department of Justice.

I empathize with the author's intent to address the tragic explosions that can occur at illegal butane hash-oil production sites. Unfortunately, I believe this bill takes a very expensive approach that may not ultimately solve the problem. The Department of Public Health is currently working on regulations that will be finalized at the end of this year that move this type of production out of the shadows and into a safe and regulated environment. I believe any additional legislation aimed at curbing illegal butane use should be more narrowly tailored, and not place a uniform limit on an industry that has many other legitimate uses.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.