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The Honorable Hannah-Beth Jackson
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 2032
Sacramento, California 95814

The Honorable Kevin De Leon
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5108
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senators Jackson and De Leon:

In October 2017 I vetoed Senate Bill 169, which would have codified federal guidance on sexual assault and harassment at colleges and universities. My veto message called for a review of existing campus practices by a group of individuals knowledgeable in this area. In January 2018 I convened the group and provided specific direction for them to:

- Review state and federal laws and regulations on sexual assault and sexual harassment at postsecondary institutions;
- Recommend due process and other protections for both complainants and respondents;
- Recommend appropriate levels of discretion that should remain at the university/college level.

The purpose of this effort is to provide guidance to legislators and campus leaders on this difficult issue.

Attached is the group's report and the product of their work.

Sincerely,



Edmund G. Brown Jr.

CC: The Honorable Toni G. Atkins
The Honorable Anthony Rendon
The Honorable Jim Beall
The Honorable David Chiu

The Honorable Cristina Garcia
The Honorable Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher
The Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva