



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1332 without my signature.

This bill would authorize a limited number of cannabis microbusinesses to ship certain medicinal cannabis products directly to patients using a common carrier.

While I appreciate the author's goal of expanding patient access to medical cannabis, the proposed direct-shipping program would be burdensome and overly complex to administer. The Department of Cannabis Control (DCC) will need to revamp the California Cannabis Track-and-Trace System, which will take significant resources and time. Moreover, this measure includes numerous restrictions on eligible products – many of which are unclear, overly narrow, or unworkable, adding to the implementation challenge. Given that this measure allows just two businesses to ship medical cannabis directly to patients, the costs of administering this program far outweigh the possible benefits to patients.

I remain open to working with the Legislature on strategies to effectively advance equitable access to safe and regulated cannabis. However, this measure would not achieve that goal while shifting limited resources away from DCC's other priorities.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom