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Pursuant to the provisions of Joint Rule 59, the following Assembly Journal for the 2009–10 Regular Session was printed while the Assembly was in Summer Recess.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following veto messages from the Governor were received and ordered printed in the Journal and the bills ordered to the unfinished business file:

Veto Message—Assembly Bill No. 277

Governor's Office, Sacramento August 5, 2009

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 277 without my signature.

This bill would delete the option of specifying the members of the bay area county transportation authorities in the sales tax ordinance and would limit the identification of the authority members to the expenditure plan.

This bill would reverse a provision of law I enacted under SB 983 (Migden, Chapter 83, Statutes of 2005), and would interject the state into what is a local fight over the board membership of the San Francisco County Transportation Authority. Representation of a local transportation authority should be determined at the local level, and removing the ability of voters to determine this representation would be counter to California's democratic process.

For this reason I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

Veto Message—Assembly Bill No. 252

Governor's Office, Sacramento August 5, 2009

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 252 without my signature.

This bill is duplicative of existing law and unnecessary. The Medical Board of California already has significant legal authority to take action against physicians that violate the Medical Practice Act.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

Veto Message—Assembly Bill No. 332

Governor's Office, Sacramento August 5, 2009

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 332 without my signature.

While I am very supportive of the intent of this bill of providing students with opportunities to receive rigorous and relevant career technical education linked to real world experiences, I am concerned that this bill lacks sufficient protections to ensure that students are not solely enrolled in job opportunities that are not combined with sufficient academic coursework.

However, I am directing my Administration to work with the author so that I can consider a measure that is more tightly crafted and would accomplish the goal of promoting a balanced approach towards work-based learning.

Until that time, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

Veto Message—Assembly Bill No. 339

Governor's Office, Sacramento August 5, 2009

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 339 without my signature.

This bill would redefine "school districts" to include school districts, county offices of education, and other agencies deemed eligible pursuant to state and federal law, for the purpose of allocating federal education funds. However, in its current form, I am concerned that the bill may have unintended consequences for charter schools and/or other educational agencies currently eligible for these federal funds.

For this reason I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

Veto Message—Assembly Bill No. 538

Governor's Office, Sacramento August 5, 2009

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 538 without my signature.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local entities for increased costs associated with any new program or higher level of service imposed by the state on local entities if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the new program or higher level of service is reimbursable and a state mandate. This bill could result in a state-reimbursable mandate by requiring local public safety entities to verify violations and issue citations and warnings. In addition, this bill would also impose new unfunded costs on the California Highway Patrol and could result in redirection of resources from other high priority law enforcement activities.

For these reasons I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

Veto Message—Assembly Bill No. 608

Governor's Office, Sacramento August 5, 2009

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 608 without my signature.

This bill would authorize the Department of General Services to exchange a parcel of State-owned land with Syar Industries along the area known as the River to Ridge Trail in Napa County.

A small portion of the River to Ridge Trail, which is mostly located on State property within an easement, was built outside of the easement onto private property. The State would incur costs to comply with California Environmental Quality Act requirements, complete an appraisal, and conduct surveys, among other staff costs for a land exchange. Napa County can resolve this issue by either relocating the trail back within the existing easement, or condemning the private property. The State should not incur costs when there are other available remedies.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

RECEIPT OF BILLS

I acknowledge receipt this 6th day of August at 10 a.m., of the following Assembly Bills without the Governor's signature, together with a statement of his objections thereto, signed by the Governor, delivered to me personally by Jacque Roberts:

Assembly Bills Nos. 277, 252, 332, 339, 538, and 608.

JACQUELYN DELIGHT Assistant Clerk of the Assembly

KAREN BASS, Speaker

AMY LEACH, Minute Clerk