To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 214 without my signature.

This bill eliminates the voter requirement for a city or county to create an infrastructure financing district and expands the types of projects that may be financed by such an entity.

Expanding the scope of infrastructure financing districts is premature. This measure would likely cause cities to focus their efforts on using the new tools provided by the measure instead of winding down redevelopment. This would prevent the state from achieving the General Fund savings assumed in this year's budget.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.