

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 894 without my signature.

This bill increases the maximum fine for knowingly making a false statement of a material fact in a candidate's statement from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

I am not convinced this is a widespread problem in California elections or that this bill would be much of a deterrent. The conventional response to resume puffing is exposure by the press or political attack by the opposition.

Sincerely,