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Honorable Governor Edmund "Jerry" G. Brown, Jr.
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**RE: SENATE BILL 1318: SIGN THIS BILL, WHICH WILL HELP CONTROL
INFLUENZA**

Dear Governor Brown:

The California Academy of Preventive Medicine urges you to sign SB 1318. We are the state medical specialty society for physicians in the fields of Preventive Medicine and Public Health.

Influenza transmission to and from healthcare workers has been one of the factors in epidemic transmission of the disease. We have been concerned about the low rate of immunization against influenza among healthcare workers. This bill will help greatly to increase those immunization rates., so it will be an advance for public health.

Your signature will finalize approval of a bill that will contribute positively to the control and prevention of influenza outbreaks and epidemics, thus saving lives in the future.

Sincerely,

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President, CAPM