

## AB 172 Update

### SkillBrief

Days after the close of the 2011 legislative session, the governor warned that he was going to veto many of the 600 bills that made it to his desk.

Governor Brown warned both supporters and opponents that ‘there will be plenty of veto blues.’

Two of Local 1000’s sponsored bills, AB 172 (Eng) which increases governmental transparency and accountability, were on the Governor’s desk awaiting action.

While we waited, Local 1000 members sent 2,223 to Brown urging him to sign the bills.

In the end, Brown signed AB 740, giving teeth to SPB rulings on contracting out and issued an Executive Order in place of signing AB 172.

The Executive Order, which orders all agencies and departments to provide contract information through the eProcurement website, is effective immediately.

AB 740 will go into effect on January 1, 2012.