

**Gov. Newsom signs the Racial Justice Act for All *and* AB 2567,  
the incompetent for execution bill, into law!**

Dear Chris,

Thank you, DPF supporters! We did it! Friday, California Gov. Gavin Newsom signed the Racial Justice Act for All (AB 256) into law. It will extend, by making the **Racial Justice Act of 2020** retroactive, civil rights protections in courts throughout California to all people charged or convicted of a crime based on racial bias.

The 2020 Act excluded those who had been harmed prior to January 1, 2021, but now, thanks to all of you who signed petitions or wrote or called the governor's office, those with prior, racially biased convictions and sentences are entitled to equal justice under the law.

He also signed **AB 2567, which prevents the execution of any person on death row found to be mentally incompetent**, into law.

If you'd like to thank Gov. Newsom for signing both, or either bill, you can contact him by phone at 916- 445-2841 or email the link below.

[Email Gov. Newsom](#)

Ash Kalra, the Democratic Assemblymember from San Jose, sponsored the RJ4All bill and worked hard to get it passed in the legislature. If you'd like to send him your thanks, you can do so on the link below.

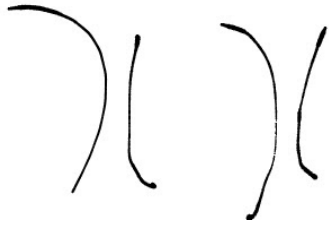
[Contact Kalra](#)

Assemblymember Mark Stone, a longtime advocate of criminal justice reform from Santa Cruz, sponsored AB 2567, legislation that is increasingly important in California, where the death row population, the largest in the Western Hemisphere, is aging. You can send him your thanks below.

[Contact Stone](#)

Thank you again. Your support helped get this bill passed, and we're very grateful.

Onward,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of two stylized, mirrored shapes that resemble the letters 'D' and 'B' joined together.

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