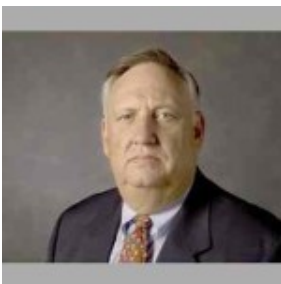


# Opinion: Brown's housing plan stumbles

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California has an immense shortage of housing, and every day it gets worse because we're not building enough to keep up with even a modest level of population growth.



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The shortage has driven housing costs through the roof, especially for working-class and poor families, and is atop the list of California's truly important issues with water and transportation.

However, as with those other deficiencies, another legislative session will end soon without decisive housing action.

Gov. Jerry Brown proposed a baby step toward alleviating the housing shortage – exempting certain projects from some of the red tape that plagues the housing development industry.

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