

**HB 2925-S.E - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Authorizes certain cities, that own and operate a public utility and have facilities for the generation of electricity located in a county other than that in which the city is located, to provide for the impacts of lost revenue.

Requires certain municipal-owned utilities, that construct or operate hydroelectric generating facilities or acquire land for the purpose of constructing or operating the same in a county other than the county in which the city is located, to enter into an agreement with the county affected for the annual payment of moneys to recompense such losses.

VETO MESSAGE ON ESHB 2925

March 23, 2010

To the Honorable Speaker and Members,  
The House of Representatives of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 3, Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2925 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to impact payments of a municipally owned hydroelectric facility."

The bill requires large cities that own a hydroelectric facility in another county to continue to make financial compensation payments to the county in the event an existing compensation agreement between the city and county expires. There is no emergent need for the bill to become effective immediately, and therefore the emergency clause in Section 3 of this bill is unnecessary.

For this reason I have vetoed Section 3 of Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2925.

With the exception of Section 3 of Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2925 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Gregoire  
Governor