

VETO MESSAGE ON ESHB 1002

April 30, 2009

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 4,  
Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1002 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to allowing a certificate of discharge to be issued when an existing order excludes or prohibits an offender from having contact with a specified person or business, or coming within a set distance of any specified location."

Section 4 contains an emergency clause. An emergency clause is to be used where it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety or whenever it is essential for the support of state government. I do not believe an emergency clause is needed to implement this legislation.

For this reason, I have vetoed Section 4 of Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1002.

With the exception of Section 4, Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1002 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Gregoire  
Governor