

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1880

March 19, 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 2,
House Bill 1880 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to ballot envelopes."

This bill provides that county auditors may, but are no longer required to, provide return ballot envelopes that have a privacy flap to cover the voter's signature and optional telephone number. There is no emergent need for the bill to become effective immediately, and therefore the emergency clause in Section 2 of this bill is unnecessary.

For this reason, I have vetoed Section 2 of House Bill 1880.

With the exception of Section 2, House Bill 1880 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Gregoire
Governor