

VETO MESSAGE ON EHB 2242

May 19, 2009

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have approved, except for Section 56, Engrossed House Bill 2242 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to creating a department of commerce."

Section 56 inadvertently removes the State Energy Program from the Revised Code of Washington. De-codifying the Energy Office was not the intent of this executive request legislation. I, therefore, have vetoed Section 56.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Section 56 of Engrossed House Bill 2242. With the exception of Section 56, Engrossed House Bill 2242 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine O. Gregoire
Governor