

VETO MESSAGE ON ESSB 5293

May 16, 2017

To the Honorable President and Members,  
The Senate of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5293 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to court-based and school-based efforts to promote attendance and reduce truancy."

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5293 makes several changes to existing truancy statutes, primarily to address issues resulting from legislative changes to the statutes in the 2015 session. Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5293 and Second Substitute House Bill No. 1170 were both passed by the Legislature this year and amend several of the same sections of law. The changes cannot all be successfully merged to result in single amendments to the statutes due to conflicting language. A veto will ensure there are not inconsistent amendments to the statutes.

For these reasons I have vetoed Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5293 in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jay Inslee  
Governor