VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1785-S

May 18, 1993

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 sections 6 and 7, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1785 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to investing in the creation of jobs to restore and enhance Washington's estuaries, waterways, forests and watersheds;"

This bill establishes an innovative program to create new jobs in the area of environmental restoration. The focus will be on performing such restoration work on a watershed basis with at least one half of the effort going into Washington's timber-dependent communities. For the coming biennium, \$6.5 million is available in the budget to implement environmental and forestry restoration projects such as those envisioned by Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1785.

I am vetoing section 6 regarding first year project funding because there are no projects in the operating or capital budgets to be funded as referenced by this section. In regard to the section 7 provisions on unanticipated federal funds, RCW 43.79.270 states that agencies can submit an unanticipated receipt only if it is designated for a specific purpose. Therefore, the Governor will not be able to transfer, as section 7 would require, any federal funds into this account because they will be designated for a specific purpose. For this reason, I am vetoing section 7.

With the exception of sections 6 and 7, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1785 is approved.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Lowry Governor