

VETO MESSAGE ON SHB 2118

May 11, 2007

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning, without my approval as to Section 14,
Substitute House Bill 2118 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to transferring responsibilities related to mobile and manufactured home installation from the department of community, trade and economic development to the department of labor and industries."

This bill, which requires the transfer of certain responsibilities related to manufactured housing, does not need an emergency clause. Removing the emergency clause moves back the transfer date of the affected programs from July 1 to July 22. While this may create some inconvenience for the agencies in not aligning the program with the biennial budget, it does not result in an interruption of the services being provided since the Department of Community Trade and Economic Development will continue to administer the program until the transfer is complete. We believe that the desire to avoid potential inconvenience should not be treated as a public emergency warranting an emergency clause.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Section 14 of Substitute House Bill 2118.

With the exception of Section 14, Substitute House Bill 2118 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine O. Gregoire
Governor