

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 2835

March 28, 2008

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 4, House Bill 2835 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to requiring federal name-based criminal history record checks when a child is placed in out-of-home care in an emergency situation."

Section 4 is an emergency clause providing the bill with an immediate effective date. The Federal Bureau of Investigation has notified the State that it will extend provisional access to its name/descriptor criminal background check database until this bill takes effect. An emergency clause is therefore unnecessary.

For this reason, I have vetoed Section 4 of House Bill 2835.

With the exception of Section 4, House Bill 2835 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Gregoire
Governor