

VETO MESSAGE ON ESHB 1216

May 15, 2009

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have approved, except for Sections 2063, page 70, lines 12 through 15; 6028; 6029; 6030; and 6049 of Substitute House Bill 1216 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to the capital budget."

Section 2063, page 70, lines 12 through 15, Department of Corrections

This proviso requires the Office of Financial Management to undertake a budget evaluation study of the project to expand the reception center at the Washington Corrections Center. Because no funding was provided to continue this project, the study is unnecessary at this time. Therefore, I am vetoing this section.

Section 6028, pages 239-240, Superintendent of Public Instruction

Section 6029, pages 240-241, Universities and Colleges

Section 6030, page 241, State Agencies

These sections direct the Washington State Arts Commission to restrict the purchase of artwork to artists residing in Washington State for projects involving state-assisted K-12 school construction, state colleges and universities, and all state agencies. This restriction could have negative impacts on Washington artists who may be performing work on public works projects in other states. Therefore, I have vetoed these sections.

Section 6049, page 257, Puget Sound Partnership

I am vetoing this section because it is duplicative of Section 6010 on page 225.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Sections 2063, page 70, lines 12 through 15; 6028; 6029; 6030; and 6049. With the exception of Sections 2063, page 70, lines 12 through 15; 6028; 6029; 6030; and 6049, Substitute House Bill 1216 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine O. Gregoire
Governor