

VETO MESSAGE ON SHB 2071

April 13, 2009

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 Section 1, Substitute House Bill 2071 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to increasing the earning potential of parents of needy families."

I am vetoing the intent section, Section 1 of the bill, because it is broader than the substantive language in the bill. The substantive language of the bill was changed during the legislative process and the language of Section 1 reflects the content of the original bill, rather than the substitute. The intent section could cause unintended consequences and might result in increased liability for the state. Vetoing the intent section does not impede implementation of the bill.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Section 1 of Substitute House Bill 2071.

With the exception of Section 1, Substitute House Bill 2071 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Gregoire
Governor