VETO MESSAGE ON ESSB 6476

April 1, 2010

To the Honorable President and Members, The Senate of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 4 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6476 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to sex crimes involving minors."

Section 4 requires the Department of Social and Health Services to provide a report to the relevant policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature by November 1, 2010, regarding the training needed to allow staff of the Children's Administration and crisis residential centers to work effectively with sexually exploited youth. The report must identify the evidence-based training programs to be used and the cost of such training. This section would be codified in chapter 13.32A RCW.

The Department will make the information available. A statutorily required report is unnecessary.

For these reasons, I have vetoed sections Section 4 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6476.

With the exception of Section 4, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6476 is approved.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Gregoire Governor