

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1744-S

May 18, 1993

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 4,  
Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1744 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to the law enforcement officers' and fire  
fighters' retirement system;"

Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1744 expands the  
definition of membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' and Fire  
Fighters' retirement system to include officers employed by  
institutions of higher education and port districts. I strongly  
favor the bill's direction in allowing more consistent membership  
definition. However, section 4 amends RCW 41.54.010 which is also  
amended in Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1294 section 8,  
which I will be signing to allow portability for all LEOFF II  
members. Therefore, section 4 of this bill is unnecessary.

With the exception of section 4, Engrossed Substitute House  
Bill No. 1744 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Lowry  
Governor