VETO MESSAGE ON HB 3058-S2

April 1, 1998

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 11, Second Substitute House Bill No. 3058 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to waste reduction;"

Since 1971, manufacturers and other businesses have paid a tax on the sale of certain products that contribute to litter. The revenues generated from that tax are deposited into the state Litter Account and are used by state and local governments for litter collection and waste reduction and recycling programs. This bill fine tunes those programs to ensure that the most effective litter and waste reduction programs are funded. It also dedicates a portion of the funding to local governments and provides them with greater flexibility in the use of those funds.

Section 11 of this bill would allow the use of logos on adopta-highway signs to recognize business participation in litter control. A substantially similar provision was passed by the Legislature in Substitute House Bill 3057, which I signed on March 27, 1998.

For this reason, I have vetoed section 11 of Second Substitute House Bill No. 3058.

With the exception of section 11, Second Substitute House Bill No. 3058 is approved.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Locke Governor