VETO MESSAGE ON SB 6219

March 31, 1998

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 sections 56, 176(14), 176(15), and 176(17), Senate Bill No. 6219 entitled: "AN ACT Relating to reports to the legislature;"

Senate Bill No. 6219 is an excellent piece of legislation that will contribute to the efficiency of state government. It eliminates approximately 230 obsolete or unnecessary reports that agencies are required to submit to the Legislature by amending or repealing numerous sections of law.

However, the statutes that would be repealed by sections 176 (14), (15), and (17) also contain substantive language regarding ongoing programs that should be retained in law. To avoid inadvertent disruption of the programs, I have vetoed those sections.

Section 56 of SB 6219 would amend RCW 43.19.554 by removing a reference to a report from the Department of General Administration on motor vehicle management. However, HB 2568, which I signed on March 23, 1998, already repealed that section.

For these reasons, I have vetoed sections 56, 176 (14), 176 (15), and 176 (17) of Senate Bill No. 6219.

With the exception of sections 56, and 176 (14), 176 (15), and 176 (17), I am approving Senate Bill No. 6219.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Locke Governor