

VETO MESSAGE ON SB 5227-S

May 13, 1997

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 21, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5227 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to nonprofit hospital sales;"

Section 21 of SSB 5227 is an emergency clause requiring the immediate implementation of the bill. Although this legislation is important, it is not a matter necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions. Without section 21, the bill will be effective July 27, 1997.

For this reason, I have vetoed section 21 of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5227.

With the exception of section 21, I am approving Substitute Senate Bill No. 5227.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Locke
Governor