

VETO MESSAGE ON SSB 6330

March 31, 2006

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, Substitute Senate Bill No. 6330 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to the establishment of the
Washington trade corps fellowship program."

This bill is being vetoed for two reasons. First, given the limited resources and high demands of our international trade office, this program would not be a priority. I commend the Legislature for adding resources to trade and to trade offices. However, the specific purpose proposed in this bill is not the most effective approach. Second, the budget for this project is exceptionally large given the task that is proposed. These are funds that simply should not be allocated for studying funding opportunities.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Substitute Senate Bill No. 6330 in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine O. Gregoire
Governor