

VETO MESSAGE ON ESSB 6403

March 29, 2010

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 1,  
Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6403 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to accountability and support for  
vulnerable students and dropouts, including  
prevention, intervention, and reengagement."

Section 1 is an intent section including legislative findings  
and goals regarding the development of a dropout prevention  
program to serve vulnerable youth. The intent section could be  
read to conflict with the substantive description of the type  
of program to be developed as stated in Section 3. A veto of  
the intent section eliminates this potential conflict.

For this reason, I have vetoed Section 1 of Engrossed  
Substitute Senate Bill 6403.

With the exception of Section 1, Engrossed Substitute Senate  
Bill 6403 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Gregoire  
Governor