1028-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Environmental Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Pruitt, Horn, Rust, Heavey, Anderson, Wineberry, Phillips, Wang, Sprenkle, Jones, Prentice, Fraser, D. Nelson, G. Fisher, Jacobsen, R. Fisher, Valle, Roland, Hine and Brekke)

Brief Description: Making major changes to air quality laws.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Revises vehicle emission inspection procedures.

Designates procedures to be utilized for vehicles certified by the United States environmental protection agency as a "clean-fuel vehicle."

Requires all transportation plans to conform to the state implementation plan for air quality.

Promotes the use of compressed natural gas in vehicles.

Establishes a program to encourage the purchase of efficient, low emission motor vehicles.

Establishes a program for air pollution containment by industrial and commercial sources.

Directs a study to be completed by July 1, 1992, which will evaluate economic incentives to reduce air pollution.

Revises criminal and civil penalties for violations of provisions of the act.

Specifies controls on the release of ozone-depleting chemicals into the atmosphere.

Repeals various provisions.

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1028-S

May 15, 1991

To the Honorable, the House

of Representatives of the

State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to sections 204 and 507, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1028 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to reducing air contaminant emissions and improving air quality."

Section 204 of this bill establishes a task force to recommend a program to assist persons with vehicles failing to comply with emission standards. The task force will be appointed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate; it will consist of members from each House and will report to the appropriate standing committees of the Legislature.

Section 507 establishes a task force to encourage the removal of wood stoves which do not meet current emission standards and replace such stoves with a less polluting, certified wood stove or other source of heat. This task force will also consist of members from each House and report back to the appropriate committees of

the Legislature.

While these studies may provide useful information, the Legislature does not need statutory authorization to study these issues or authorization to report back to itself. For this reason I am vetoing sections 204 and 507 of the bill.

With the exception of sections 204 and 507, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1028 is approved.

Respectfully submitted, Booth Gardner Governor