

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1692-S

May 9, 1995

To the Honorable Speaker and Members,

The House of Representatives of the State of Washington
Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to sections 8 and 11, Substitute House Bill No. 1692 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to the clarification of clerks' fees;"

This bill clarifies and restructures statutes for the collection and distribution of court fees. However, this legislation contains language already signed into law in Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5219 which makes substantial revisions to statutes regarding domestic violence.

Section 8 of this bill eliminates the filing fee for orders for protection in cases of domestic violence. Section 3 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5219 made this change and contained additional desirable language regarding disclosure of other custody related litigation. Section 11 removes the expiration date for the five dollar fee on marriage licenses earmarked for child abuse and neglect prevention activities. Section 37 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5219 made this change and additionally included immediate implementation, enabling this fee to continue without unnecessary suspension.

For these reasons, I have vetoed sections 8 and 11 of Substitute House Bill No. 1692.

With the exception of sections 8 and 11, Substitute House Bill No. 1692 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Lowry
Governor