

VETO MESSAGE ON SB 5173-S

May 12, 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 sections 39, 48, 58, 59, and 60, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5173 entitled: "AN ACT Relating to improving the liquor license schematic of the state of Washington;"

This bill consolidates and simplifies the structure of the liquor licensing system in Washington as provided in the state liquor code.

Sections 39, 58, 59, and 60 of this bill duplicate other sections of the bill. Section 48 would create a double amendment of RCW 66.28.040 as a result of the earlier enactment this year of Senate Bill No. 5338 (Chapter 39, Laws of 1997).

Several technical corrections to this legislation appear to be necessary. However, I am signing this bill because it is a major positive step forward in clarifying the law, and should be put into place this year. Also, I will ask the Liquor Control Board to develop a bill to make necessary technical corrections for introduction in the 1998 legislative session.

For these reasons, I have vetoed sections 39, 48, 58, 59, and 60 of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5173.

With the exception of sections 39, 48, 58, 59, and 60, Substitute Senate Bill No. 5173 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Locke
Governor