

**HB 2207-S2.E - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Prohibits the superintendent of public instruction, if a school district has a poverty level of at least fifty-seven percent, from offsetting that district's basic education allocation by the amount of those federal forest revenues, to the extent that such revenues do not exceed seventy thousand dollars.

Allows the superintendent of public instruction to offset the district's basic education allocations by the portion of the federal forest revenues that exceeds seventy thousand dollars.

VETO MESSAGE ON E2SHB 2207

March 31, 2014

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 Section 1, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2207 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to eliminating the reduction in state basic education funding that occurs in counties with federal forest lands."

This legislation will allow high poverty school districts to retain up to \$70,000 of their annual federal forest funding allocation rather than current practice of the offsetting the entire amount against state apportionment funding.

Section 1 prevents any offsetting of federal forest funding from occurring for high poverty districts. This is a technical error in direct conflict with the \$70,000 annual limit established in Section 2 of this act.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 1 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2207.

With the exception of Section 1, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2207 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jay Inslee  
Governor