

VETO MESSAGE ON SB 5898

May 5, 1995

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 3, Senate Bill No. 5898 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to open burning of grasses grown for seed;"

The subject of this legislation is research for alternatives to grass seed burning. However, section 3 contains an emergency clause indicating this act is necessary "for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety or support of state government. Preventing this bill from being subject to a referendum under Article II, section 1(b) of the state Constitution unnecessarily denies the people of this state their power, at their own option, to approve or reject this bill at the polls.

For this reason, I am vetoing section 3 of Senate Bill No. 5898.

With the exception of section 3, Senate Bill No. 5898 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Lowry  
Governor