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To the Honorable Speaker and Members,  
The House of Representatives of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning, without my approval as to Sections 29 and 30, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 3186 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to beach management districts."

This bill allows cities and counties to create Beach Management Districts, in order to raise funds for the improvement and maintenance of beaches with their boundaries.

Notwithstanding the existing authority provided to Lake Management Districts, Section 29 directs the Department of Ecology to provide technical assistance to Beach Management Districts in consultation with the Puget Sound Partnership. Since the Puget Sound Partnership is developing its first action agenda, the activities contemplated in Section 29 should be considered in relation to all other priorities for the clean up of Puget Sound.

Section 30 is a null and void clause and is unneeded.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Sections 29 and 30 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 3186.

With the exception of Sections 29 and 30, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 3186 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/  
Christine O. Gregoire  
Governor