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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, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5490 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to creating the interbranch advisory committee."

Section 3 of this bill directs the Office of Financial Management to provide staff support to the committee at the request of the co-chairs. The co-chairs of the committee are representatives of the legislative and judicial branches. OFM would be doing work under the direction of the other branches of government, rather than by the agency director, which is inappropriate. However, OFM staff will assist this effort in any way that they can, as directed by my office or the director of OFM.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 3 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5490.

With the exception of Section 3, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5490 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Inslee Governor