



Office of the Governor

JIM GIBBONS
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May 29, 2009

The Honorable Barbara Buckley
Speaker of the Assembly
Legislative Building
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

RE: Assembly Bill 467 of the 75th Legislative Session

Dear Speaker Buckley,

I am herewith forwarding to you, for filing within the constitutional time limit and without my approval, Assembly Bill 467, which is entitled:

AN ACT relating to governmental financial administration; revising provisions relating to the prevailing wage requirements; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assembly Bill 467 would expand prevailing wage requirements for lease-purchase and installment-purchase agreements entered into by local governments.

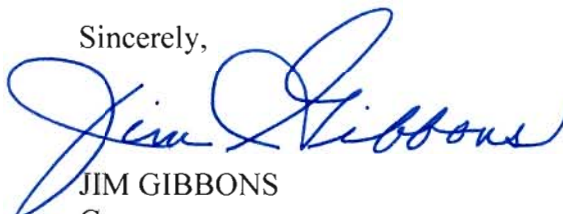
This legislation will have a significant impact on local governments, driving up the overall cost of entering into lease-purchase or installment-purchase agreements. It also will significantly increase the amount of staff time and expense in implementing the prevailing wage requirements.

Washoe County, for example, submitted that including prevailing wage requirements increases the overall cost of a project by 10 percent to 18 percent. Also, prevailing wage requirements consume between 25 percent and 50 percent of a project manager's time. And while this Legislature has reallocated revenues from the counties to the state help balance the budget, this bill asks for the counties, other local governments and, by extension, taxpayers, to pay above market rate for infrastructure acquired in lease-purchase or installment-purchase.

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For these reasons, I hereby exercise my constitutional grant of authority and veto Assembly Bill 467.

Sincerely,



JIM GIBBONS
Governor

Enclosure

Cc: The Honorable Steven Horsford, Senate Majority Leader (without enclosure)
The Honorable Ross Miller, Secretary of State (without enclosure)
Susan Furlong Reil, Chief Clerk of the Assembly (without enclosure)
Claire J. Clift, Secretary of the Senate (without enclosure)
Brenda Erdoes, Esq., Legislative Counsel (without enclosure)