

CS/H 222 WORK FORCE EDUCATION ACT

April 11, 1997

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 71

I have this day VETOED and am returning HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL 222, as amended, enacted by the Forty-Third Legislature, First Session, 1997.

This legislation proposes a new section of the Public School Code called the Career Education Act. This legislation would direct the State Department of Education to establish and administer a statewide workforce education system. It would also establish a 25 member education workforce coordinating council to marshal state and federal funds and recommend program evaluation criteria.

This administration is already accomplishing what this legislation proposes to do. The Department of Finance and Administration, is currently in the implementation phase of a five year, \$13 million school to work program. A school-to-work advisory board oversees the project and the State Education Advisor in the Governor's office assists with project management. A detailed agreement with the federal government guides every step of this multi-year statewide project. This legislation would result in duplication and is therefore unnecessary.

H 225 SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

April 9, 1997

HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 42

I have this day VETOED and am returning HOUSE BILL 225, enacted by the Forty-Third Legislature, First Session, 1997.

This bill increases the time a school district, city or county has to issue bonds from three years to four years after the date of the election. Currently, bonds must be issued within three years of the election in which those bonds were addressed. Three years is adequate time to issue bonds with regard to capital projects and any extension of time should be based on a vote of the taxpayers.