

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
Charleston, WV 25305

May 7, 2009

The Honorable Richard Thompson  
Speaker  
West Virginia House of Delegates  
State Capitol  
Charleston, WV 25305

Dear Speaker Thompson:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section Fourteen, Article VII of the Constitution of West Virginia, I hereby disapprove and return Enrolled House Bill No. 3197.

This Bill proposes a new section to the Code which would allow certain municipalities to appoint special litter prevention officers, and establish by ordinance the duties and training for these special litter prevention officers. Unfortunately, I must object to this Bill because the section references in the title and the enacting clause do not match. Accordingly, I find the inconsistent section references set forth in the title and the enacting clause render the Bill constitutionally defective.

For the reasons stated herein, I must veto Enrolled House Bill No. 3197. Notwithstanding this action, I urge the Legislature to amend the title and the enacting clause and return the Bill for approval.

Sincerely,

JOE MANCHIN, III  
*Governor.*