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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Earl Ray Tomblin
President, Senate of West Virginia
State Capitol
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

Dear President Tomblin:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section Fourteen, Article Seven of the Constitution of West Virginia, I hereby disapprove and return Enrolled Senate Bill No. 507.

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 507 would require the West Virginia Clean Coal Technology Council to “[s]tudy carbon capture and control technology and report the results of the study quarterly to the Joint Committee on Government Finance.” I must object to this Bill for two reasons. First, the West Virginia Clean Coal Technology Council expired on July 1, 2005 and is now defunct. Second, the study required by the Bill would duplicate the provisions of Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2860, which establishes a Working Group to study carbon capture and sequestration and report to the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection and the Legislature on its findings.

For these reasons, I must veto this legislation.

Very truly yours,

Joe Manchin III
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cc: The Honorable Richard Thompson
Speaker, House of Delegates
The Honorable Natalie E. Tennant
Secretary of State