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Veto Message: Governor Johnson
1957 (S.73)

An act to authorize the establishment of a forestry camp school for the employment of certain offenders in reforestation, maintenance and development.

STATE OF VERMONT
Executive Department.
Montpelier, Vt., June 29, 1957

The President laid before the Senate, a communication from the Governor as follows:

To the President of the Senate:

Sir:

I am returning to the Senate, unsigned and without my approval, Senate bill No. 73, entitled:

An act to authorize the establishment of a forestry camp school for the employment of certain offenders in reforestation, maintenance and development.

This bill calls for the expenditure of \$150,000 from the General Fund. The Legislature has already appropriated nearly \$1,300,000 more than we expect to receive in revenue.

As the Legislature has not provided new taxes to meet these expenditures, I do not feel that we should increase the anticipated deficit to provide these facilities at this time.

This can be a very important program, but I believe more detailed studies of our exact requirements are needed. I also believe more careful and professional planning must be done before venturing into this type of care for certain offenders.

I am also taking similar action on a House bill which goes beyond the budgetary provisions.

JOSEPH B. JOHNSON
Governor

**Governor's Veto Sustained
S.73, 1957**

The Governor's veto was overridden in the Senate:
Yeas 23 Nays 6

The Governor's veto was sustained in the House:
Yeas 122 Nays 97

* Note: Though the two-thirds majority was attained in the Senate, it was not attained in the House so the Governor's veto is ruled sustained.

Sources: *Journal of the Senate*, June 29, 1957 (pages 831-832);
Journal of the House, (page 966)