

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 91-09**

**Directing General Fund Allotment Reductions**

**WHEREAS**, the current official estimate of general fund revenues is less than the official estimate upon which the State's 1991-93 biennial operating budget was enacted on July 1, 1991; and

**WHEREAS**, based on current estimated revenues, the State faces a projected cash deficit of the State General Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, State law directs and authorizes the Governor to implement across-the-board allotment reductions to avoid a cash deficit; and

**WHEREAS**, under State law, an across-the-board reduction in allotments necessitated by a cash deficit applies to all agencies of State government, including agencies of the legislative and judicial branches and agencies headed by elected officials; and

**WHEREAS**, appropriations for basic education, debt service on State bonds and State pension contributions are exempt from the allotment reduction process;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Booth Gardner, Governor of the State of Washington, do hereby order:

As to each agency of State government and with the limited exemptions noted above, the unexpended allotment of each appropriation from the State General Fund is uniformly reduced by an amount equivalent to 2.5 percent of the original appropriation, effective December 1, 1991, and is placed in reserve.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 22nd day of November A.D., Nineteen hundred and ninety-one.

Booth Gardner  
Governor of Washington

**BY THE GOVERNOR:**

Assistant Secretary of State

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