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To the Honorable Speaker and Members,
The House of Representatives of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 7, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1220 entitled:

“AN ACT Relating to supporting emergency shelters and housing through local planning and development regulations.”

Section 7 of this bill can be read to encourage the siting and development of accessory dwelling units in areas of the state outside of urban growth areas. This was a technical oversight that occurred during the legislative process. As passed, the bill inadvertently omitted a key reference limiting these policies to urban growth areas, which was not the intention of the bill’s sponsor.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 7 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1220.

With the exception of Section 7, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1220 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

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