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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 213, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1139 entitled:

“AN ACT Relating to expanding the current and future educator workforce supply through evidence-based strategies to improve and incentivize the recruitment and retention of highly effective educators, especially in high-need subject, grade-level, and geographic areas, and to establish a cohesive continuum of high quality professional learning from preparation programs to job embedded induction, mentoring, collaboration, and other professional development opportunities.”

Section 213 provides conflicting direction to three state agencies (the Professional Educator Standards Board, the Washington Student Achievement Council and the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction) regarding financial aid program implementation, participant selection and identification of educator shortages. The section also conflicts with direction in other sections of the bill and is superfluous to implementation of the programs in the bill.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 213 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1139.

With the exception of Section 213, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1139 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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