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To the Honorable President and Members, The Senate of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 21, Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5402 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to improving tax and licensing laws administered by the department of revenue, but not including changes to tax laws that are estimated to affect state or local tax collections as reflected in any fiscal note prepared and approved under the process established in chapter 43.88A RCW."

This bill makes technical corrections to a variety of tax laws with the intent to correct errors and simplify the statutes wherever possible, without having any substantive effect on tax policy or revenue collections.

Section 21 updates an out of date reference to the definition of "hog fuel." This section is being vetoed because it duplicates the change to RCW 82.12.956 made in section 3 of House Bill 2848.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 21 of Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5402.

With the exception of Section 21, Engrossed Senate Bill No. 5402 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Inslee

Governor