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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 2, Senate Bill No. 5924 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to exchanging charitable, educational, penal, and reformatory institutions trust lands for community and technical college forest reserve lands."

This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources (Department) to exchange community and technical college forest reserve lands for lands of equal value held for the benefit of charitable, educational, penal, and reformatory institutions that are currently leased to certain community and technical colleges. This exchange will benefit all parties, including the Department as trust manager, certain community and technical colleges, and the beneficiaries of these trust lands.

But, I am vetoing Section 2, as the emergency clause is not necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 2 of Senate Bill No. 5924.

With the exception of Section 2, Senate Bill No. 5924 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jay Inslee Governor