<u>SHB 1601</u> - H AMD 296 By Representative Short

NOT CONSIDERED 04/22/2011

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

3 "<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 36.70A
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) The requirements of this chapter for counties and cities are 6 suspended and have no applicability if the average rate of total 7 unemployment in the county, seasonally adjusted, as determined by the 8 Washington employment security department, exceeds seven percent for 9 three consecutive months. A suspension under this section:

10 (a) Is effective for five years, or until the average rate of total 11 unemployment in the county, seasonally adjusted, as determined by the 12 Washington state employment security department, is equal to or less 13 than seven percent for three consecutive months, whichever is later; 14 and

(b) Takes effect immediately upon the public release of the applicable unemployment data by the Washington state employment security department.

18 (2) Comprehensive land use plans and development regulations 19 adopted in accordance with the requirements of this chapter are 20 suspended and have no applicability in counties and cities in which the 21 requirements of this chapter are suspended.

(3) State agencies may take no action to enforce the requirements of this chapter in counties and cities in which the requirements of this chapter are suspended."

25 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Strikes the underlying bill. Suspends growth management

act requirements for counties and cities when a county's average unemployment rate exceeds seven percent for three consecutive months.

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