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**State of Washington 66th Legislature 2019 Regular Session**

**By** House Environment & Energy (originally sponsored by Representatives Mead, Fitzgibbon, and Kloba)

AN ACT Relating to the effective date of certain actions taken under the growth management act; and adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW to read as follows:

(1) The initial effective date of an action that expands an urban growth area designated under RCW 36.70A.110, removes the designation of agricultural, forest, or mineral resource lands designated under RCW 36.70A.170, creates or expands a limited area of more intensive rural development designated under RCW 36.70A.070(5)(d), establishes a new fully contained community under RCW 36.70A.350, or creates or expands a master planned resort designated under RCW 36.70A.360, is after the latest of the following dates:

(a) Sixty days after the date of publication of notice of adoption of the comprehensive plan, development regulation, or amendment to the plan or regulation, modifying the boundaries of the urban growth area as provided in RCW 36.70A.290(2); or

(b) If a petition for review to the growth management hearings board is timely filed, upon issuance of the board's final order.

(2) The provisions of this section do not apply to a county with a population of less than two hundred thousand.

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