

**ESHB 1241** - S AMD TO HLG COMM AMD (S-2308.1/21) **769**  
By Senator Wagoner

**NOT CONSIDERED 04/26/2021**

1 On page 15, line 3, after "(b)(i)" strike all material through  
2 "the" and insert "~~((Until December 31, 2015, the))~~ The"

3 On page 15, beginning on line 7, after "county" strike all  
4 material through "2015" on line 9 and insert "~~((has a population, as  
5 estimated by the office of financial management, of twenty thousand  
6 or fewer inhabitants at any time between April 1, 2010, and April 1,  
7 2015))~~":

8 (I) Meets the definition of "rural county" under RCW 82.14.370 at  
9 the time of periodic review;

10 (II) Is a county that has an unemployment rate at least 20  
11 percent above the state average for the immediately previous three  
12 years; or

13 (III) Is a county that has a median household income that is less  
14 than 75 percent of the state median household income for the previous  
15 three years"

EFFECT: Allows a county to adopt a resolution removing the county and the cities within the county from the Growth Management Act planning requirements if:

(1) The county qualifies as a "rural county," meaning a population density of less than one hundred persons per square mile or is smaller than two hundred twenty-five square miles;

(2) The county has an unemployment rate at least 20 percent above the state average for the immediately previous three years; or

(3) The county has a median household income that is less than 75 percent of the state median household income for the previous three years.

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