CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 1890**

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JOINT HOUSING AUTHORITIES—FORMATION

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| Passed by the House February 6, 2024Yeas 97 Nays 0LAURIE JINKINS**Speaker of the House of Representatives**Passed by the Senate February 27, 2024Yeas 48 Nays 1DENNY HECK**President of the Senate** | CERTIFICATEI, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1890** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.BERNARD DEANChief Clerk |
| Approved March 7, 2024 11:17 AM | March 7, 2024 |
| JAY INSLEE**Governor of the State of Washington** | **Secretary of State** **State of Washington** |

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**By** Representatives Alvarado, Klicker, Peterson, Bateman, Connors, Macri, Corry, Barkis, Berry, Morgan, Leavitt, Tharinger, Reed, Ormsby, Barnard, Street, Gregerson, Reeves, and Chopp

AN ACT Relating to housing authorities; and amending RCW 35.82.300.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 35.82.300 and 2002 c 258 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

This section applies to all cities and counties.

(1) Joint housing authorities are hereby authorized when the legislative authorities of one or more counties and the legislative authorities of any city or cities within any of those counties or in another county or counties have authorized such joint housing authority by ordinance. For legislative authorities that have created housing authorities prior to the effective date of this section, a joint housing authority may be formed by two or more city governments without county legislative authority authorization.

((~~(2)~~)) The ordinances creating a joint housing authority must: (a) Provide for the creation of a new public body corporate and politic; or (b) Provide that a housing authority created under this chapter and previously activated by resolution of one of the legislative authorities creating the joint housing authority will be converted to, and will thereafter operate as, a joint housing authority.

(3) The ordinances enacted by the legislative authorities creating the joint housing authority shall prescribe the number of commissioners, the method for their appointment and length of their terms, the election of officers, and the method for removal of commissioners.

((~~(3)~~)) (4) The ordinances enacted by the legislative authorities creating the joint housing authority shall prescribe the allocation of all costs of the joint housing authority and any other matters necessary for the operation of the joint housing authority.

((~~(4)~~)) (5) A joint housing authority shall have all the powers as prescribed by this chapter for any housing authority. The area of operation of a joint housing authority shall be the combined areas, defined by RCW 35.82.020(6), of the housing authorities created in each city and county authorizing the joint housing authority.

((~~(5)~~)) (6) The provisions of RCW 35.82.040 and 35.82.060 shall not apply to a joint housing authority created pursuant to this section.

(7) Unless a delayed date is specified in the ordinances providing for the creation of a joint housing authority, the creation of, or conversion to, a joint housing authority will take effect upon the latest effective date of the ordinances providing for its creation.

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