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HOUSING

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Washington is in the middle of a statewide housing affordability and homelessness crisis.

We need to build more housing of all types. We need to build better housing quickly and efficiently by streamlining permitting, using public land better, allowing for more local government tools and expediting lending. We need to build up by increasing density. We need to reform and update our landlord tenant laws to help all Washingtonians stuck in this crisis.

Here are some of the policies I supported to attack our housing crisis head on:

\$100 million to the Housing Trust Fund, 80 percent to permanent housing and 20 percent aimed at immediate shelter needs and relief.

\$134 million to address housing instability and homelessness

HB 1138 – Protects military renters.

HB 1219 – Gives local governments more options to support affordable housing.

HB 1377 – Eases construction requirements for housing on religious organization owned land.

HB 1406 – Allows for more bonding to building more housing.

HB 1440 – Provides for more notice of rent increases.

HB 1582 – Protects mobile home tenants.

HB 1590 – Creates more tools for local governments to build affordable housing.

HB 1694 – Gives tenants more time to pay large upfront costs.

HB 2456 – Helps homeless families with child care.

SB 5025 – Assists self-help housing organizations.

HB 2578 (2018) – Protects renters from income discrimination.

Housing solutions aren't quick or easy. These policies will help us move in the right direction, and I am proud to support them to help ease the crisis we are in. Please feel free to reach out to my office with your ideas or suggestions about this, or any issue.