
HOUSE BILL 1409

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By Representative Abbarno

1 AN ACT Relating to compelling the state building code council to
2 expand residential building code classifications; adding a new
3 section to chapter 19.27 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring
4 an emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Current residential building code
7 classifies residential treatment facilities under the institutional
8 building code, significantly increasing building costs. It is the
9 intent of the legislature to expand the residential building code in
10 an effort to reduce costs associated with building residential
11 treatment facilities.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 19.27
13 RCW to read as follows:

14 The state building code council must immediately adopt the R-4
15 classification code as detailed under chapter 3, section 310.5 of the
16 2021 international building code.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of

1 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
2 effect immediately.

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