

**WAC 365-196-860 Treatment of residential structures occupied by persons with handicaps.** (1) Counties and cities planning under the act may not enact or maintain an ordinance, development regulation, zoning regulation or official control, policy, or administrative practice which treats a residential structure occupied by persons with handicaps differently than a similar residential structure occupied by a family or other unrelated individuals.

(2) The term "handicap" is defined by the federal Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 3602). It pertains to a person who:

(a) Has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of their major life activities;

(b) Has a record of having such impairment; or

(c) Is regarded as having such impairment.

It does not include current, illegal use of or addiction to a controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S.C. Sec. 802).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 36.70A.050 and 36.70A.190. WSR 10-03-085, § 365-196-860, filed 1/19/10, effective 2/19/10.]