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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2494

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By House Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives White, Springer, Goodman, Chase, Dickerson, Carlyle, Williams, Miloscia, Nelson, Dunshee, and Darneille)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the purchase or construction of public
- 2 facilities in one hundred year floodplains; and adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 36.70A RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW to read as follows:
- 6 to read as follows:
 7 (1) The purchase or construction of public facilities in a one
- 8 hundred year floodplain may only be authorized through the following
- 9 actions by the applicable county or city legislative authority: The
- 10 adoption of findings declaring the need and reasoning for purchasing or
- 11 constructing the facility in a one hundred year floodplain; and an
- 12 affirmative vote authorizing the purchase or construction activity.
- 13 For purposes of this section, "one hundred year floodplain" means the
- 14 same as "special flood hazard area" as set forth in WAC 173-158-040 as
- 15 it exists on July 26, 2009.
- 16 (2) This section applies to the purchase or construction of county
- 17 or city owned public facilities in counties and cities located west of
- 18 the crest of the Cascade mountain range, but does not apply to: Roads,

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- 1 streets, and other transportation facilities; public safety facilities;
- 2 storm water facilities; flood control facilities; or underground
- 3 conveyances.

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