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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2481**

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**By** House Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Senn, Bergquist, Farrell, Riccelli, Fitzgibbon, Appleton, Walkinshaw, Sawyer, Fey, Gregerson, and Pollet)

READ FIRST TIME 02/05/14.

1       AN ACT Relating to food and yard waste collection space for  
2       qualifying new residential occupancies with more than two dwelling  
3       units; amending RCW 19.27.175; and creating a new section.

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

5       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that while currently  
6       not all communities have food and yard waste collection, in the future,  
7       when communities update their solid waste management plans in  
8       accordance with RCW 70.95.080, they may have these services. The  
9       legislature, therefore, intends to establish new directives regarding  
10      the provision of collection space for food and yard waste on-site at  
11      qualifying residential buildings.

12      **Sec. 2.** RCW 19.27.175 and 1991 c 297 s 15 are each amended to read  
13      as follows:

14      (1) The state building code council, in consultation with the  
15      department of ecology and local governments, shall conduct a study of  
16      the state building code, and adopt changes as necessary to encourage  
17      greater use of recycled building materials from construction and

1 building demolition debris, mixed waste paper, waste paint, waste  
2 plastics, and other waste materials.

3 (2) During the 2015 code adoption period, the state building code  
4 council must adopt rules in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW, with an  
5 effective date of July 1, 2016, requiring that space be provided for  
6 the collection and periodic transfer to an off-site composting facility  
7 of food and yard waste created on-site at the following new buildings  
8 classified as residential group R-2 under the state building code:

9 (a) Apartment houses;

10 (b) Assisted living facilities;

11 (c) Boarding houses;

12 (d) Congregate living facilities;

13 (e) Dormitories; and

14 (f) Fraternities and sororities.

15 (3) The collection areas must be designed to meet the needs of the  
16 occupancy and facilitate pick up and, as appropriate, must be available  
17 to the occupants and haulers.

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