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HOUSE BILL 2407

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By Representatives Manweller, Magendanz, Condotta, and Vick

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1            AN ACT Relating to prohibiting regulation of the amount of rent  
2 for commercial properties; and adding a new section to chapter 35.21  
3 RCW.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    A new section is added to chapter 35.21  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7            The imposition of controls on rent is of statewide significance  
8 and is preempted by the state. No city or town of any class may  
9 enact, maintain, or enforce ordinances or other provisions which  
10 regulate the amount of rent to be charged for commercial rental  
11 structures or sites other than properties in public ownership or  
12 properties under public management. This section does not prohibit  
13 any city or town from entering into agreements with private persons  
14 which regulate or control the amount of rent to be charged for  
15 commercial properties.

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