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2 following: 3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to Chapter 43.30 4 to read as follows: Subject to appropriation, in order to prevent homelessness in 7 any county located east of the crest of the Cascade mountain range 8 that shares a common border with Canada and has a population of one 9 hundred thousand or less, the department shall, to strengthen the 10 local capacity for controlling risk to life and property that may 11 result from wildfires, administer to these counties, funding for 12 radio communication equipment; and fire protection service providers 13 within these counties to provide residential wildfire risk reduction 14 activities, including education and outreach, technical assistance, 15 fuel mitigation and other residential risk reduction measures. For 16 the purposes of this section, fire protection service providers 17 include fire departments, fire districts, emergency management 18 services, and regional fire protection service authorities. 19 department must prioritize funding to counties authorized in this 20 section serving a disproportionately higher percentage of low income 21 residents, as defined in RCW 84.36.042, that are located in areas of 22 higher wildfire risk, and whose fire protection service providers 23 have a shortage of reliable equipment and resources." 2.4 25 Correct the title. 26 27

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the

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EFFECT:

- 1. Strikes the entirety of the underlying bill, thereby:
 - Eliminating the use of any Local Housing and Assistance surcharge fees for the purpose of educating homeowners about wildfire risk and prevention measures and wildfire prevention and response activities in certain counties.
 - Removing the expiration date.
- 2. Specifies that authorized counties may use funding provided by the Department of Natural Resources for certain services and equipment.
- 3. Requires the Department of Natural Resources to prioritize distribution of funds for certain services and equipment to authorized counties serving a disproportionately higher percentage of low-income residents (adjusted gross income is at 80 percent or less of the median income adjusted for family size) located in areas of high wildfire risk, and whose fire protection service providers have a shortage of equipment and resources.

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