HOUSE BILL 1082

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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 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **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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