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By Representative Volz

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 On page 1, line 18, after "making" strike "grants" and insert "disaster relief payments"

 On page 2, line 2, after "state." insert "It is the intent of the legislature that the assistance provided in this act be considered disaster relief payments by the internal revenue service."

 On page 2, line 7, after "a" strike "grant" and insert "disaster relief payment"

 On page 2, line 10, after "of" strike "grant" and insert "disaster relief payment"

 On page 2, line 14, after "that the" strike "grants" and insert "disaster relief payments"

 On page 2, line 16, after "(2)" strike "Grants" and insert "Disaster relief payments"

 On page 2, line 21, after "wildfires" strike "at the time the building was destroyed"

 On page 2, line 30, after "(3)" strike "Grants" and insert "Disaster relief payments"

 On page 2, line 35, after "awarding" strike "grants" and insert "disaster relief payments"

 On page 2, line 38, after "awarding" strike "grants" and insert "disaster relief payments"

 On page 3, line 1, after "award" strike "grants" and insert "disaster relief payments"

 On page 3, line 3, after "with" strike "grants" and insert "disaster relief payments"

 On page 3, after line 19, insert the following:

 "NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 19.27 RCW to read as follows:

 (1) The provisions of this chapter do not apply to the permitting, repair, or reconstruction of a rebuilt residential building to the extent that they would require additional energy efficiencies or offsets on, restrict, or prohibit the construction or use of a propane tank as a secondary heating source for the rebuilt residential building. The provisions of this chapter shall apply to rebuilt residential buildings in all other respects that do not conflict with this section.

 (2) Counties and cities may not prohibit the construction or use of a propane tank as a secondary heating source in a rebuilt residential building.

 (3) For the purposes of this section, "rebuilt residential building" means a residential building damaged or destroyed by wildfire between July 1, 2023, and September 1, 2023, in a location that was subject to an emergency declaration from the governor or a local government.

**Sec.**  RCW 19.27A.015 and 1990 c 2 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in \*RCW 19.27A.020((~~(7)~~))(6) and in subsection (2) of this section, the Washington state energy code for residential buildings shall be the maximum and minimum energy code for residential buildings in each city, town, and county and shall be enforced by each city, town, and county no later than July 1, 1991. The Washington state energy code for nonresidential buildings shall be the minimum energy code for nonresidential buildings enforced by each city, town, and county.

(2)(a) The provisions of the Washington state energy code for residential structures shall not apply to the permitting, repair, or construction of rebuilt residential buildings to the extent that it would require additional energy efficiencies or offsets on, restrict, or prohibit the construction or use of a propane tank as a secondary heating source for the rebuilt residential building. The provisions of Washington state energy code for residential structures shall apply to rebuilt residential buildings in all other respects that do not conflict with this section.

(b) For the purposes of this section, "rebuilt residential building" has the same meaning as in section 3 of this act.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  Sections 3 and 4 of this act expire June 30, 2026."

 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly.

Correct the title.

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|  |  EFFECT:   * Replaces references to grants with references to disaster relief payments.
* Removes the requirement that a building must have been destroyed after an emergency declaration in order for the building to qualify for a disaster relief payment.
* Exempts, until June 30, 2026, the reconstruction or repair of buildings damaged or destroyed in wildfires between July 1, 2023, and September 1, 2023, from the state building and state energy codes, to the extent that the codes would require additional energy efficiencies or offsets on, restrict, or prohibit the construction or use of a propane tank as a secondary heating source for the rebuilt residential building.
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