HOUSE BILL 1708

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By Representatives Cantwell, Forner, Sheldon, Jacobsen, Pruitt and Wineberry; by request of Department of Community Development.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to employee cooperative corporations; and amending
- 2 RCW 23.78.060.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 23.78.060 and 1991 c 72 s 12 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) No capital stock other than membership shares shall be given
- 7 voting power in an employee cooperative, except as otherwise provided
- 8 in this chapter, or in the articles of incorporation.
- 9 (2) The power to amend or repeal bylaws of an employee cooperative
- 10 shall be in the members only, except to the extent that directors are
- 11 specifically authorized to amend or repeal the bylaws by vote of the
- 12 members or in accordance with articles of incorporation. Nothing in
- 13 this subsection shall be construed to conflict with the provisions of
- 14 RCW 23B.10.200(2).

- 1 (3) Except as otherwise permitted by RCW 23B.10.040, no capital
- 2 stock other than membership shares shall be permitted to vote on any
- 3 amendment to the articles of incorporation.