SENATE BILL 6495

State of Washington52nd Legislature1992 Regular SessionBy Senators Thorsness, Williams, Sutherland and SalingRead first time 02/06/92.Referred to Committee on Commerce & Labor.

1 AN ACT Relating to a study of the state building code; creating new 2 sections; and making an appropriation.

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

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. The legislature finds that a lack of 5 affordable housing is caused by many factors and that simplifying the б procedures for constructing housing that meets adequate standards will 7 help to increase the amount of affordable housing in the state. The legislature further finds that the state building code council should 8 contribute toward making relevant building codes more understandable 9 10 and accessible for the general public.

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. By December 15, 1992, the state building 12 code council shall study and report to the legislature on methods to 13 simplify and clarify state building codes pertaining to residential construction, with an emphasis on reducing the time and expense
required to construct or modify residential housing. The study shall
include recommendations for legislative action.

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** The sum of forty thousand dollars, or as 5 much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium 6 ending June 30, 1993, from the general fund to the state building code 7 council for the purposes of the study under section 2 of this act.