
SENATE BILL 5697

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By Senator Bluechel

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1 AN ACT Relating to radio communication; adding a new section to
2 chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.21 RCW; adding
3 a new section to chapter 36.32 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 35.21 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 No city or town shall enact or enforce an ordinance or regulation
8 that fails to conform to the limited preemption entitled "Amateur Radio
9 Preemption, 101 FCC 2nd 952 (1985)" issued by the federal
10 communications commission. An ordinance or regulation adopted by a
11 city or town with respect to amateur radio antennas shall conform to
12 the limited federal preemption, that states local regulations that
13 involve placement, screening, or height of antennas based on health,
14 safety, or aesthetic considerations must be crafted to reasonably
15 accommodate amateur communications, and to represent the minimal
16 practicable regulation to accomplish the local authority's legitimate
17 purpose.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 35A.21 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 No code city shall enact or enforce an ordinance or regulation that
4 fails to conform to the limited preemption entitled "Amateur Radio
5 Preemption, 101 FCC 2nd 952 (1985)" issued by the federal
6 communications commission. An ordinance or regulation adopted by a
7 code city with respect to amateur radio antennas shall conform to the
8 limited federal preemption, that states local regulations that involve
9 placement, screening, or height of antennas based on health, safety, or
10 aesthetic considerations must be crafted to reasonably accommodate
11 amateur communications, and to represent the minimal practicable
12 regulation to accomplish the local authority's legitimate purpose.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 36.32 RCW
14 to read as follows:

15 No county shall enact or enforce an ordinance or regulation that
16 fails to conform to the limited preemption entitled "Amateur Radio
17 Preemption, 101 FCC 2nd 952 (1985)" issued by the federal
18 communications commission. An ordinance or regulation adopted by a
19 county with respect to amateur radio antennas shall conform to the
20 limited federal preemption, that states local regulations that involve
21 placement, screening, or height of antennas based on health, safety, or
22 aesthetic considerations must be crafted to reasonably accommodate
23 amateur communications, and to represent the minimal practicable
24 regulation to accomplish the local authority's legitimate purpose.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
26 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
27 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
28 effect immediately.

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