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By Senators Spanel, Winsley, Prentice, Gardner, Kline and Haugen

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AN ACT Relating to the affordable housing program; and amending RCW
43.185A.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.185A.010 and 1995 c 399 s 102 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 7 this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Affordable housing" means residential housing for rental ((or 8 private individual ownership)) occupancy which, as long as the same is 9 10 occupied by low-income households, requires payment of monthly housing costs, including utilities other than telephone, of no more than thirty 11 12 percent of the family's income. The department may adopt rules for 13 residential home-ownership housing, occupied by low-income households, 14 which specify the percentage of family income that may be spent on 15 monthly housing costs, including utilities other than telephone, to 16 gualify as affordable housing.

17 (2) "Department" means the department of community, trade, and18 economic development.

(3) "Director" means the director of the department of community,
trade, and economic development.

3 (4) "First-time home buyer" means an individual or his or her 4 spouse who have not owned a home during the three-year period prior to 5 purchase of a home.

6 (5) "Low-income household" means a single person, family or 7 unrelated persons living together whose adjusted income is less than 8 eighty percent of the median family income, adjusted for household 9 size, for the county where the project is located.

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