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1 AN ACT Relating to the state building code; and amending RCW 2 19.27.031.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.27.031 and 1995 c 343 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, there shall be in 7 effect in all counties and cities the state building code which shall 8 consist of the following codes which are hereby adopted by reference:

9 (1) Uniform Building Code and Uniform Building Code Standards, 10 published by the International Conference of Building Officials, 11 <u>including the most up-to-date nationally recognized natural disaster</u> 12 <u>mitigation standards</u>;

(2) Uniform Mechanical Code, ((including Chapter 13, Fuel Gas
 Piping, Appendix B,)) published by the International ((Conference of
 Building)) Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials;

(3) The Uniform Fire Code and Uniform Fire Code Standards,
 published by the ((International Fire Code Institute: PROVIDED,
 That,)) National Fire Protection Association. However, notwithstanding

any wording in this code, participants in religious ceremonies shall
 not be precluded from carrying hand-held candles;

(4) Except as provided in RCW 19.27.170, the Uniform Plumbing Code
and Uniform Plumbing Code Standards, published by the International
Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials((÷ PROVIDED, That
chapters 11 and 12 of such code)). However, any provisions of these
codes affecting sewers or fuel gas piping are not adopted; and

8 (5) The rules and regulations adopted by the council establishing 9 standards for making buildings and facilities accessible to and usable 10 by the physically handicapped or elderly persons as provided in RCW 11 70.92.100 through 70.92.160.

12 In case of conflict among the codes enumerated in subsections (1), 13 (2), (3), and (4) of this section, the first named code shall govern 14 over those following.

15 The codes enumerated in this section shall be adopted by the 16 council as provided in RCW 19.27.074.

The council may issue opinions relating to the codes at the request of a local official charged with the duty to enforce the enumerated codes.

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