
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2010

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By House Community Development, Housing & Tribal Affairs (originally sponsored by Representatives Maycumber, Dent, Blake, Kretz, Dye, and Manweller)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the prevention of homelessness in wildfire
2 areas; and adding a new section to chapter 43.30 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.30
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 Subject to appropriation, in order to prevent homelessness in any
7 county located east of the crest of the Cascade mountain range that
8 shares a common border with Canada and has a population of one
9 hundred thousand or less, the department shall, to strengthen the
10 local capacity for controlling risk to life and property that may
11 result from wildfires, administer to these counties, funding for
12 radio communication equipment; and fire protection service providers
13 within these counties to provide residential wildfire risk reduction
14 activities, including education and outreach, technical assistance,
15 fuel mitigation and other residential risk reduction measures. For
16 the purposes of this section, fire protection service providers
17 include fire departments, fire districts, emergency management
18 services, and regional fire protection service authorities. The
19 department must prioritize funding to counties authorized in this
20 section serving a disproportionately higher percentage of low-income
21 residents, as defined in RCW 84.36.042, that are located in areas of

1 higher wildfire risk, and whose fire protection service providers
2 have a shortage of reliable equipment and resources.

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