

E2SSB 5160 - H AMD TO HHSV COMM AMD (H-1400.1/21) **601**

By Representative Abbarno

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1 On page 14, at the beginning of line 2 of the striking amendment,
2 strike "**RIGHT**" and insert "**ACCESS**"

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4 On page 14, beginning on line 6 of the striking amendment, after
5 "purpose," strike all material through "59.20 RCW" on line 8, and
6 insert "the local dispute resolution center must notify the office of
7 civil legal aid or the office's local designee when an indigent tenant
8 has entered the eviction resolution pilot program. The office of civil
9 legal aid or local designee shall provide an attorney to the indigent
10 tenant for the limited purpose of assisting the tenant with obtaining
11 available rental assistance"

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13 On page 16, beginning on line 7 of the striking amendment, after
14 "~~renters~~)" strike all material through "and the" on line 8 and insert
15 "The"

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17 On page 16, line 22 of the striking amendment, after "**law**" strike
18 "also"

EFFECT: Changes the caption "Right to Counsel" to "Access to Counsel." Removes the requirement for the court to appoint an attorney for an indigent tenant in an unlawful detainer action. Requires the local dispute resolution center to notify the state Office of Civil Legal Aid (OCLA) when an indigent tenant enters the Eviction Resolution Pilot Program and requires the OCLA to provide an attorney to the indigent tenant for the limited purpose of assisting the tenant with obtaining rent assistance. Removes, from the form of the 14-day notice to pay rent or vacate, the statement that state law provides the tenant with the right to legal representation.

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