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Beginning on page 5, line 37, after "(4)" strike all material 1 2 through "state." on page 6, line 9 and insert "The department must 3 give first priority to applications for projects and activities which utilize existing privately owned housing stock including privately 4 owned housing stock purchased by nonprofit public development 5 authorities and public housing authorities as created in chapter 6 35.82 RCW. As used in this subsection, privately owned housing stock 7 includes housing that is acquired by a federal agency through a 8 default on the mortgage by the private owner. Such projects and 9 activities must be evaluated under subsection (5) of this section. 10 11 Second priority must be given to activities and projects which 12 utilize existing publicly owned housing stock.))"

EFFECT: Removes the requirement that the Department of Commerce give first priority to applications for projects and activities that increase the total number of units of affordable housing in the state.

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