SENATE BILL 5571

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By Senators Bateman and Nobles

Read first time 01/29/25. Referred to Committee on Local Government.

- AN ACT Relating to regulating exterior cladding materials; adding 1
- a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter
- 3 35A.21 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 36.01 RCW.
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON: 4
- 5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 35.21
- 6 RCW to read as follows:
- 7 (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, a city is prohibited from requiring or excluding exterior cladding materials 8
- that are in compliance with the state building code. 9
- 10 (2) "Exterior cladding" means a nonload-bearing material attached
- 11 to the exterior of a building.
- (3) The limitation in this section does not apply to homeowners' 12
- associations governed by chapter 64.38 RCW and plat communities 13
- governed by chapter 64.90 RCW. 14
- 15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 35A.21
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, a code
- city is prohibited from requiring or excluding exterior cladding 18
- materials that are in compliance with the state building code. 19

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- 1 (2) "Exterior cladding" means a nonload-bearing material attached 2 to the exterior of a building.
- 3 (3) The limitation in this section does not apply to homeowners' 4 associations governed by chapter 64.38 RCW and plat communities governed by chapter 64.90 RCW.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 36.01 7 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, a 9 county is prohibited from requiring or excluding exterior cladding 10 materials that are in compliance with the state building code.
- 11 (2) "Exterior cladding" means a nonload-bearing material attached 12 to the exterior of a building.
- 13 (3) The limitation in this section does not apply to homeowners' 14 associations governed by chapter 64.38 RCW and plat communities 15 governed by chapter 64.90 RCW.

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