

2 **SB 5584** - H AMD TO TEH COMM AMD (H-2368.3/93) **478ADOPTED4-18-93**
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5 On page 15, after line 9 of the amendment, insert the following:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 17.** A new section is added to chapter 43.63A
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) The legislature finds that:

9 (a) The trend toward smaller household sizes will continue into the
10 foreseeable future;

11 (b) Many of these households are in housing units that contain more
12 bedrooms than occupants;

13 (c) There are older homeowners on relatively low, fixed income who
14 are experiencing difficulties maintaining their homes; and

15 (d) There are single parents, recently widowed persons, people in
16 the midst of divorce or separation, and handicapped that are faced with
17 displacement due to the high cost of housing.

18 (2) The legislature declares that the purpose of section 18 of this
19 act is to develop a pilot program designed to:

20 (a) Provide home-matching services that can enable people to
21 continue living in their homes while promoting continuity of home
22 ownership and community stability; and

23 (b) Counter the problem of displacement among people on relatively
24 low, fixed incomes by linking people offering living space with people
25 seeking housing.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 18.** A new section is added to chapter 43.63A
27 RCW to read as follows:

28 (1) The department may develop and administer a home-matching
29 program for the purpose of providing grants and technical assistance to
30 eligible organizations to operate local home-matching programs. For
31 purposes of this section, "eligible organizations" are those
32 organizations eligible to receive assistance through the Washington
33 housing trust fund, chapter 43.185 RCW.

34 (2) The department may select up to five eligible organizations for
35 the purpose of implementing a local home-matching program. The local

1 home-matching programs are designed to facilitate: (a)
2 Intergenerational homesharing involving older homeowners sharing homes
3 with younger persons; (b) homesharing arrangements that involve an
4 exchange of services such as cooking, housework, gardening, or
5 babysitting for room and board or some financial consideration such as
6 rent; and (c) the more efficient use of available housing.

7 (3) In selecting local pilot programs under this section, the
8 department shall consider:

9 (a) The eligible organization's ability, stability, and resources
10 to implement the local home-matching program;

11 (b) The eligible organization's efforts to coordinate other support
12 services needed by the individual or family participating in the local
13 home-matching program; and

14 (c) Other factors the department deems appropriate.

15 (4) The eligible organizations shall establish criteria for
16 participation in the local home-matching program. The eligible
17 organization shall make a determination of eligibility regarding the
18 individuals' or families' participation in the local home-matching
19 program. The determination shall include, but is not limited to a
20 verification of the individual's or family's history of making rent
21 payments in a consistent and timely manner."

22 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
23 internal references accordingly.

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