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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 19.27.031 and 1995 c 343 s 1 are each amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, there shall be in  
10 effect in all counties and cities the state building code, which shall  
11 consist of the following codes (~~which are hereby adopted by~~  
12 ~~reference~~):

13 (1) (~~Uniform~~) A building code (~~and Uniform Building Code~~  
14 ~~Standards~~), published by (~~the International Conference of Building~~  
15 ~~Officials~~) a nationally recognized code organization;

16 (2) (~~Uniform~~) A mechanical code, including (~~Chapter 13,~~) fuel  
17 gas piping, (~~Appendix B,~~) published by (~~the International Conference~~  
18 ~~of Building Officials~~) a nationally recognized code organization;

19 (3) (~~The Uniform~~) A fire code (~~and Uniform Fire Code~~  
20 ~~Standards~~), published by (~~the International Fire Code Institute~~) a  
21 nationally recognized code organization: PROVIDED, That,  
22 notwithstanding any wording in this code, participants in religious  
23 ceremonies shall not be precluded from carrying hand-held candles; and

24 (4) (~~Except as provided in RCW 19.27.170, the Uniform Plumbing~~  
25 ~~Code and Uniform Plumbing Code Standards, published by the~~  
26 ~~International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials:~~  
27 ~~PROVIDED, That chapters 11 and 12 of such code are not adopted; and~~

28 (~~5~~)) The rules and regulations adopted by the council establishing  
29 standards for making buildings and facilities accessible to and usable  
30 by the physically handicapped or elderly persons as provided in RCW  
31 70.92.100 through 70.92.160.

32 In case of conflict among the codes enumerated in subsections (1),  
33 (2), and (3) (~~, and (4)~~) of this section, the first named code shall  
34 govern over those following and the plumbing code adopted in accordance  
35 with section 3 of this act.

1 The codes enumerated in this section shall be adopted by the  
2 council as provided in RCW 19.27.074.

3 The council may issue opinions relating to the codes at the request  
4 of a local official charged with the duty to enforce the enumerated  
5 codes.

6 **Sec. 2.** RCW 19.27.074 and 1989 c 266 s 3 are each amended to read  
7 as follows:

8 (1) The state building code council shall:

9 (a) Adopt and maintain the codes to which reference is made in RCW  
10 19.27.031, and appropriate standards, in a status which is consistent  
11 with the state's interest as set forth in RCW 19.27.020. In  
12 maintaining these codes, the council shall regularly and publicly  
13 review updated versions of (~~the codes referred to in RCW 19.27.031~~)  
14 nationally recognized code publications and other pertinent information  
15 and shall amend the codes as deemed appropriate by the council;

16 (b) Approve or deny all county or city amendments to any code  
17 referred to in RCW 19.27.031 to the degree the amendments apply to  
18 single family or multifamily residential buildings;

19 (c) As required by the legislature, develop and adopt any codes  
20 relating to buildings; and

21 (d) Propose a budget for the operation of the state building code  
22 council to be submitted to the office of financial management pursuant  
23 to RCW 43.88.090.

24 (2) The state building code council may:

25 (a) Appoint technical advisory committees which may include members  
26 of the council;

27 (b) Employ permanent and temporary staff and contract for services;  
28 and

29 (c) Conduct research into matters relating to any code or codes  
30 referred to in RCW 19.27.031 or any related matter.

31 All meetings of the state building code council shall be open to  
32 the public under the open public meetings act, chapter 42.30 RCW. All  
33 actions of the state building code council which adopt or amend any  
34 code of state-wide applicability shall be pursuant to the  
35 administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW.

36 All council decisions relating to the codes enumerated in RCW  
37 19.27.031 shall require approval by at least a majority of the members  
38 of the council.

1 All decisions to adopt or amend codes of state-wide application  
2 shall be made prior to December 1 of any year and shall not take effect  
3 before the end of the regular legislative session in the next year.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 18.106 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, there is in  
7 effect in all counties and cities the Uniform Plumbing Code and Uniform  
8 Plumbing Code Standards, published by the International Association of  
9 Plumbing and Mechanical Officials. However, any provisions of such  
10 code affecting sewers, and fuel gas and venting are not adopted.

11 (2) The advisory board for plumbers shall:

12 (a) Adopt and maintain the code and standards referenced in  
13 subsection (1) of this section. In maintaining these codes, the  
14 advisory board shall regularly review updated versions of the code and  
15 standards and other pertinent information and amend the codes as deemed  
16 appropriate by the advisory board;

17 (b) Approve or deny all county or city amendments to any code or  
18 standards referred to in subsection (1) of this section to the degree  
19 the amendments apply to single-family or multifamily residential  
20 buildings; and

21 (c) Propose a budget for the operation of the advisory board to be  
22 submitted to the office of financial management under RCW 43.88.090.

23 (3) The advisory board may:

24 (a) Appoint technical advisory committees that may include members  
25 of the advisory board;

26 (b) Employ permanent and temporary staff and contract for services;  
27 and

28 (c) Conduct research into matters relating to any code or codes  
29 referred to in subsection (1) of this section or any related matter.

30 (4) All meetings of the advisory board are open to the public under  
31 the open public meetings act, chapter 42.30 RCW. All actions of the  
32 advisory board that adopt or amend any code of state-wide applicability  
33 must be done according to the administrative procedure act, chapter  
34 34.05 RCW.

35 (5) All advisory board decisions relating to the codes set out in  
36 subsection (1) of this section shall require approval by at least a  
37 majority of the members of the advisory board.

1 (6) All decisions to adopt or amend codes of state-wide application  
2 shall be made prior to December 1st of any year and do not take effect  
3 before the end of the regular legislative session in the next year."

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7 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "code;" strike the remainder  
8 of the title and insert "amending RCW 19.27.031 and 19.27.074; and  
9 adding a new section to chapter 18.106 RCW."

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