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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1524**

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**By** House Committee on Local Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Schindler, Romero, Crouse, Mielke, Cox, O'Brien, Benson, Berkey, Ericksen, Jarrett, Ahern and Rockefeller)

READ FIRST TIME 03/05/03.

1 AN ACT Relating to restricting utility assessments and charges for  
2 certain mobile home parks; and amending RCW 35.67.370.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.67.370 and 1998 c 61 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) Cities, towns, or counties may not require existing mobile home  
7 parks to replace existing, functional septic systems with a sewer  
8 system within the community unless the local board of health determines  
9 that the septic system is failing.

10 (2) Cities, towns, counties, local improvement districts, utility  
11 local improvement districts, municipal corporations, political  
12 subdivisions, or any other persons, firms, or corporations are  
13 prohibited from requiring existing mobile home parks to pay a  
14 connection charge, standby charge, or any other similar types of  
15 charges associated with a utility, including any penalties for  
16 nonpayment of these charges, until the mobile home park connects to  
17 that utility. This act is remedial in nature and applies

1 retroactively.

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