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1 AN ACT Relating to membership on the state building code council;  
2 and amending RCW 19.27.070.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.27.070 and 1995 c 399 s 8 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 There is hereby established a state building code council, to be  
7 appointed by the governor and subject to confirmation by the senate.  
8 If a member is not confirmed by the senate by the end of the first full  
9 regular legislative session following the appointee's appointment, that  
10 appointee's position is considered vacated.

11 (1) The state building code council shall consist of fifteen  
12 members(~~(7)~~):

13 (a) Two (~~(of whom shall)~~) members must be county elected  
14 legislative body members or elected executives (~~(and)~~);

15 (b) Two (~~(of whom shall)~~) members must be city elected legislative  
16 body members or mayors(~~(7)~~);

17 (c) One (~~(of the members shall)~~) member must be a local government  
18 building code enforcement official (~~(and)~~);

1 (d) One ((of the members shall)) member must be a local government  
2 fire service official(~~(. Of the remaining nine members,))~~);

3 (e) One member shall represent general construction, specializing  
4 in commercial and industrial building construction;

5 (f) One member shall represent general construction, specializing  
6 in residential and multifamily building construction;

7 (g) One member shall represent the architectural design profession;

8 (h) One member shall represent the structural engineering  
9 profession;

10 (i) One member shall represent the mechanical engineering  
11 profession;

12 (j) One member shall represent the construction building trades;

13 (k) One member shall represent manufacturers, installers, or  
14 suppliers of building materials and components;

15 (l) One member ((shall)) must be a person with a physical  
16 disability and shall represent the disability community; and

17 (m) One member shall represent the general public.

18 (2) At least six of these fifteen members shall reside east of the  
19 crest of the Cascade mountains.

20 (3) The council shall include: Two members of the house of  
21 representatives appointed by the speaker of the house, one from each  
22 caucus; two members of the senate appointed by the president of the  
23 senate, one from each caucus; and an employee of the electrical  
24 division of the department of labor and industries, as ex officio,  
25 nonvoting members with all other privileges and rights of membership.

26 (4)(a) Terms of office shall be for three years, or for so long as  
27 the member remains qualified for the appointment.

28 (b) The council shall elect a member to serve as chair of the  
29 council for one-year terms of office.

30 (c) Any member who is appointed by virtue of being an elected  
31 official or holding public employment shall be removed from the council  
32 if he or she ceases being such an elected official or holding such  
33 public employment.

34 (d) Any member who is appointed to represent a specific private  
35 sector industry must maintain sufficiently similar employment or  
36 circumstances throughout the term of office to remain qualified to  
37 represent the specified industry. Retirement or unemployment is not  
38 cause for termination. However, if a councilmember enters into

1 employment outside of the industry he or she has been appointed to  
2 represent, then he or she shall be removed from the council. If after  
3 thirty days from the date of the new employment, the member remains on  
4 the council, any vote taken by the council is null and void.

5 (5) Before making any appointments to the building code council,  
6 the governor shall seek nominations from recognized organizations which  
7 represent the entities or interests (~~(listed)~~) identified in this  
8 (~~(subsection)~~) section. (~~(Members serving on the council on July 28,~~  
9 ~~1985, may complete their terms of office. Any vacancy shall be filled~~  
10 ~~by alternating appointments from governmental and nongovernmental~~  
11 ~~entities or interests until the council is constituted as required by~~  
12 ~~this subsection.~~

13 ~~(2))~~ (6) Members shall not be compensated but shall receive  
14 reimbursement for travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and  
15 43.03.060.

16 ~~((3))~~ (7) The department of (~~community, trade, and economic~~  
17 ~~development~~) commerce shall provide administrative and clerical  
18 assistance to the building code council.

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