
**Early Learning & Human Services
Committee**

HB 1852

Brief Description: Requiring the building code council to adopt rules regarding before or after-school programs.

Sponsors: Representatives Kagi, Ryu and Freeman.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Requires the building code council to adopt rules to allow children who attend classes in a school building during school hours to remain in the same building to participate in before-school or after-school programs.

Hearing Date: 2/21/13

Staff: Lindsay Lanham (786-7120).

Background:

The building code council is authorized in statute to adopt rules that establish standards for making buildings and facilities accessible to and usable by people with a physical disabilities or elders, to regulate building construction, and to promote fire and life safety in buildings.

When an agency, program or child care facility applies for licensure through the Department of Early Learning (DEL), the agency, program, or child care facility must compete a fire and safety check of the building. Currently, the chief of the Washington State Patrol, through the director of fire protection, has the responsibility to issue a certificate of compliance to applicants of licensure who comply with established requirements. If an agency, program or child care facility does not receive a certificate of compliance the agency, program or child care facility cannot be licensed by the DEL.

Summary of Bill:

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

The building code council is required to adopt rules to allow children who attend classes in a school building during school hours to remain in the same building to participate in before-school or after-school programs.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Preliminary fiscal note available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.