

---

**SENATE BILL 5416**

---

**State of Washington**

**68th Legislature**

**2023 Regular Session**

**By** Senators Braun, Kuderer, King, Mullet, Rolfes, Shewmake, J. Wilson, and L. Wilson

Read first time 01/17/23. Referred to Committee on State Government & Elections.

1 AN ACT Relating to compelling the state building code council to  
2 expand residential building code classifications; adding a new  
3 section to chapter 19.27 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring  
4 an emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Current residential building code  
7 classifies residential treatment facilities under the institutional  
8 building code, significantly increasing building costs. It is the  
9 intent of the legislature to expand the residential building code in  
10 an effort to reduce costs associated with building residential  
11 treatment facilities.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 19.27  
13 RCW to read as follows:

14 The state building code council must immediately adopt the R-4  
15 classification code as detailed under chapter 3, section 310.5 of the  
16 2021 international building code.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of

1 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes  
2 effect immediately.

--- **END** ---