

## PROPOSED LEGISLATION

### Key benefits:

This legislation would align RCW 70.128.130(7)(8) with the current DSHS practice. It will also give the department authority to establish evacuation standards in rule which recognize the resident's ability to evacuate the home based on the individual resident and the home's physical configuration.

### Title and/or subject matter of bill

Adult Family Homes Evacuation Standards

### Why is this legislation necessary?

Language, as written, has impact on the number of Adult Family Home beds for residents who are non-ambulatory or needing assistance when there is actual appropriate egress on other floors of the home, such as homes with daylight basements or other architectural designs where the second floor is actually the primary floor.

### What will the bill do?

Allow an individualized evaluation of an adult family home to determine the appropriate level of the home for residents to reside who need assistance with evacuation.

### How much will this cost?

There is no cost associated with this bill.

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