HOUSE BILL 1054

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AN ACT Relating to the authority of owners' associations in common interest communities to regulate or limit occupancy by unrelated persons; adding a new section to chapter 64.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 64.34 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 64.38 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 64.90 RCW; and providing a contingent expiration date.

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

8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 64.32 9 RCW to read as follows:

Except for occupancy limits on short-term rentals as defined in 10 11 RCW 64.37.010 and any lawful limits on occupant load per square foot 12 or generally applicable health and safety provisions as established 13 by applicable building code, city ordinance, or county ordinance, an 14 association of apartment owners may not adopt or enforce a restriction, covenant, condition, bylaw, rule, regulation, provision 15 16 of a governing document, or master deed provision that regulates or 17 limits the number of unrelated persons that may occupy an apartment.

18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 64.34 19 RCW to read as follows:

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1 Except for occupancy limits on short-term rentals as defined in 2 RCW 64.37.010 and any lawful limits on occupant load per square foot or generally applicable health and safety provisions as established 3 by applicable building code, city ordinance, or county ordinance, a 4 unit owners' association may not adopt or enforce a restriction, 5 6 covenant, condition, bylaw, rule, regulation, provision of a 7 governing document, or master deed provision that regulates or limits the number of unrelated persons that may occupy a unit. 8

9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 64.38 10 RCW to read as follows:

Except for occupancy limits on short-term rentals as defined in 11 RCW 64.37.010 and any lawful limits on occupant load per square foot 12 13 or generally applicable health and safety provisions as established by applicable building code, city ordinance, or county ordinance, a 14 15 homeowners' association may not adopt or enforce a restriction, 16 covenant, condition, bylaw, rule, regulation, provision of a 17 governing document, or master deed provision that regulates or limits the number of unrelated persons that may occupy a lot. 18

19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 64.90 20 RCW to read as follows:

Except for occupancy limits on short-term rentals as defined in 21 22 RCW 64.37.010 and any lawful limits on occupant load per square foot 23 or generally applicable health and safety provisions as established 24 by applicable building code, city ordinance, or county ordinance, a unit owners association may not adopt or enforce a restriction, 25 covenant, condition, bylaw, rule, regulation, provision 26 of a 27 governing document, or master deed provision that regulates or limits the number of unrelated persons that may occupy a unit. 28

29 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. If chapter . . . (Engrossed Substitute 30 Senate Bill No. 5796), Laws of 2024 is enacted by June 30, 2024, 31 sections 1 through 3 of this act expire January 1, 2028.

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