



STATE OF WASHINGTON

STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. 99-04

CODE: 1997 Uniform Building Code (UBC)

SECTION: 313.6.1 Ceiling Heights for Group LC Occupancies

QUESTION: Can an existing R-3 occupancy change to an LC occupancy if the living room and bedroom ceilings are between 7 feet and 7 feet 6 inches above the floor?

ANSWER: **Yes.** It is not the intent of Section 313.6.1, Ceiling Heights, to prevent the change in use of an existing R-3 occupancy to an LC occupancy. By applying UBC Section 104.2.8, the existing ceiling heights can be approved for LC occupancy use.

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: City of SeaTac

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