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1 AN ACT Relating to real property; and adding a new section to  
2 chapter 64.50 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 64.50 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Any person or entity involved in the construction of  
7 improvements upon real property intended for residential use has a  
8 duty, which may not be waived, to exercise reasonable care in the  
9 construction of the improvement.

10 (2) If a breach of the duty imposed under subsection (1) of this  
11 section results in damage to any portion of the real property, the  
12 current owner of the real property has a right to recover damages  
13 independent of any contract right.

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