

# REPLACING HOMES LOST TO DISASTER

SB 1561

# SB 1561: Getting Families Back On Their Feet After Disaster

- **Resiliency Requires Recovery:** We can't claim to be "wildfire resilient" if we leave our communities in ruins; true resiliency means giving families a clear path to bounce back.
- **Remove the Hurdles:** The current rebuilding process is a gauntlet of delays and costs that punish survivors for a disaster they didn't cause.
- **Protect the Right to Rebuild:** No family should be told they can't go home because of a zoning technicality after they've already lost everything.



# SB 1561: Choosing Compassion Over Red Tape

- **For Survivors Only:** Applies only to homes lost to disaster. It cannot be used to bypass rules for voluntary remodels.
- **Proof of Home:** The original structure must have been a legal, functional residence (verified by permits or 10 years of tax history).
- **Respecting the Land:** Must be built in the same footprint (unless moved for safety/floodplain rules).
- **Fair Rebuilding:** The new home must be a similar size—limited to 125% of the original square footage.
- **Safe Standards:** All new construction must meet modern water, sanitation, and road safety requirements.





1,500 SQ/FT HOME



1,875sq/ft: Addition of garage

Rebuilt with garage



2,000sq/ft



2,500sq/ft: Additional loft

2,000 sq/ft > 2,500 sq/ft



2,500 SQ FT > 2,900 SQ FT