SENATE BILL No. 617

July 12, 2001, Introduced by Senators GARCIA, HAMMERSTROM and SIKKEMA and referred to the Committee on Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs.

The mobile home commission act,"
by amending the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12,
13, 14, 16, 16a, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 28a, 28b,
28c, 29, 30, 30a, 30b, 30c, 30d, 30e, 30f, 30g, 30h, 31, 38, and
43 (MCL 125.2301, 125.2302, 125.2303, 125.2304, 125.2305,
125.2306, 125.2307, 125.2311, 125.2312, 125.2313, 125.2314,
125.2316, 125.2316a, 125.2317, 125.2318, 125.2321, 125.2322,
125.2323, 125.2324, 125.2325, 125.2327, 125.2328, 125.2328a,
125.2328b, 125.2328c, 125.2329, 125.2330, 125.2330a, 125.2330b,
125.2331, 125.2338, and 125.2330e, 125.2330f, 125.2330g, 125.2330h,
125.2331, 125.2338, and 125.2343), section 28 as amended by 1993
PA 241 and sections 28a, 28b, 28c, and 43 as added and section 38 as amended by 1988 PA 337; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 TITLE
- 2 An act to create a mobile home MANUFACTURED HOUSING com-
- 3 mission; to prescribe its powers and duties and those of local
- 4 governments; to provide for a mobile home MANUFACTURED HOUSING
- 5 code and the licensure, regulation, construction, operation, and
- 6 management of mobile MANUFACTURED home parks, the licensure and
- 7 regulation of retail sales dealers, warranties of mobile
- 8 MANUFACTURED homes, and service practices of dealers; to provide
- 9 for the titling of mobile MANUFACTURED homes; to prescribe the
- 10 powers and duties of certain agencies and departments; to provide
- 11 remedies and penalties; to declare the act to be remedial; to
- 12 repeal this act on a specific date; and to repeal certain acts
- 13 and parts of acts.
- 14 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "the
- 15 mobile home MANUFACTURED HOUSING commission act".
- 16 Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- 17 (a) "Campground" means a campground as defined in
- 18 section 12501 of the public health code, Act No. 368 of the
- 19 Public Acts of 1978, being section 333.12501 of the Michigan
- 20 Compiled Laws 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.12501.
- 21 (b) "Code" means all or a part of the mobile home
- 22 MANUFACTURED HOUSING code promulgated pursuant to AS REQUIRED
- 23 IN section 5.
- 24 (c) "Commission" means the mobile home code MANUFACTURED
- 25 HOUSING commission CREATED UNDER SECTION 3.

- 1 (d) "Department" means the department of commerce CONSUMER
- 2 AND INDUSTRY SERVICES.
- 3 (e) "Installer and repairer" means a person, including a
- 4 mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer, who for compensation installs
- 5 or repairs mobile MANUFACTURED homes.
- 6 (f) "Local government" means a county or municipality.
- 7 (g) "Mobile" "MANUFACTURED home" means a structure, trans-
- 8 portable in 1 or more sections, which THAT is built on a chas-
- 9 sis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without per-
- 10 manent foundation, when connected to the required utilities, and
- 11 includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, and electrical
- 12 systems contained in the structure. MANUFACTURED HOME INCLUDES A
- 13 MANUFACTURED HOME AS DEFINED IN SECTION 603(6) OF THE NATIONAL
- 14 MANUFACTURED HOUSING CONSTRUCTION AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT OF
- 15 1974, TITLE VI OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF
- 16 1974, PUBLIC LAW 93-383, 42 U.S.C. 5402.
- 17 (h) "Mobile" "MANUFACTURED home dealer" means a person
- 18 other than a manufacturer engaged in the business of buying
- 19 mobile MANUFACTURED homes for resale, exchange, lease, or rent
- 20 or offering mobile MANUFACTURED homes for sale, lease, rent, or
- 21 exchange to customers.
- 22 (i) "Mobile" "MANUFACTURED home park" means a parcel or
- 23 tract of land under the control of a person upon which 3 or more
- 24 mobile MANUFACTURED homes are located on a continual, nonrecre-
- 25 ational basis and which THAT is offered to the public for that
- 26 purpose regardless of whether a charge is made therefor FOR
- 27 THAT PURPOSE, together with any A building, structure,

- 1 enclosure, street, equipment, or facility used or intended for
- 2 use incident to the occupancy of a mobile MANUFACTURED home.
- 3 (j) "Municipality" means a city, village, or township.
- 4 (k) "Person" means an individual, partnership, association,
- 5 trust, or corporation, or any other legal entity or combination
- 6 of legal entities.
- 7 (1) "Recreational vehicle" means a vehicle primarily
- 8 designed and used as temporary living quarters for recreational,
- 9 camping, or travel purposes, including a vehicle having its own
- 10 motor power or a vehicle mounted on or drawn by another vehicle.
- 11 (m) "Seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park" means a
- 12 parcel or tract of land under the control of a person upon which
- 13 3 or more mobile MANUFACTURED homes are located on a continual
- 14 or temporary basis but occupied on a temporary basis only and
- 15 which THAT is offered to the public for that purpose regardless
- 16 of whether a charge is made therefor FOR THAT PURPOSE, together
- 17 with any A building, enclosure, street, equipment, or facility
- 18 used or intended for use incident to the occupancy of a mobile
- 19 MANUFACTURED home. Seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park does
- 20 not include a campground licensed pursuant ACCORDING to sec-
- 21 tions 12501 to 12516 of the public health code, Act No. 368 of
- 22 the Public Acts of 1978, being sections 333.12501 to 333.12516 of
- 23 the Michigan Compiled Laws 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.12501 TO
- **24** 333.12516.
- 25 (n) "Security interest", "security agreement", "secured
- 26 party", and "termination statement" have the same meanings as in
- 27 the uniform commercial code, Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of

- 1 1962, being sections 440.1101 to 440.11102 of the Michigan
- 2 Compiled Laws 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1101 TO 440.11102.
- 3 Sec. 3. (1) The mobile home MANUFACTURED HOUSING commis-
- 4 sion is created within the department. of commerce.
- 5 (2) The commission consists of 11 members appointed by the
- 6 governor with the advice and consent of the senate, each of whom
- 7 shall be a citizen of this state.
- 8 (3) The members of the commission shall include each of the
- 9 following:
- 10 (a) A representative of an organization whose membership
- 11 consists of mobile MANUFACTURED home residents.
- 12 (b) A representative of financial institutions.
- 13 (c) Two THREE operators of a licensed mobile
- 14 MANUFACTURED home park. having 100 or more sites and 1 operator
- 15 of a licensed mobile home park having less than 100 sites.
- 16 (d) A representative of organized labor.
- 17 (D) (e) An TWO LOCALLY elected official of a local
- 18 government OFFICIALS.
- 19 (E) (F) A licensed mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer.
- 20 (F) (g) One resident TWO RESIDENTS of a licensed mobile
- 21 MANUFACTURED home park. having 100 or more sites and 1 resident
- 22 of a licensed mobile home park having less than 100 sites.
- 23 (G) (h) A manufacturer of mobile MANUFACTURED homes.
- 24 (4) A person appointed to be a member under
- 25 subsection (3)(a), (d), $\frac{(e)}{(g)}$ OR (F), or a member of that
- 26 person's immediate family shall not have more than a 1% ownership
- 27 interest in or income benefit from a manufacturer of mobile

- 1 MANUFACTURED homes, a retail seller of mobile MANUFACTURED
- 2 homes, a licensed mobile MANUFACTURED home park, or a supplier
- 3 of ancillary products or services to the -mobile MANUFACTURED
- 4 home industry.
- 5 (5) The term of each member shall be for 3 years. A vacancy
- 6 in the office of a member shall be filled by the governor for the
- 7 remainder of the unexpired term, not more than 1 month after the
- 8 vacancy is created, in the same manner as the original
- 9 appointment.
- 10 (6) The per diem compensation of the commission and the
- 11 schedule for reimbursement of expenses shall be established annu-
- 12 ally by the legislature.
- 13 (7) Six members of the commission constitute a quorum for
- 14 all purposes, notwithstanding the existence of a vacancy in the
- 15 commission's membership. Action may be taken by the commission
- 16 by a vote of a majority of the members appointed and serving.
- 17 Meetings of the commission may be called by the chairperson or by
- 18 3 members on 3 business days' actual notice. At least 1 meeting
- 19 shall be held each calendar quarter. The commission may hold
- 20 meetings anywhere in this state.
- 21 (8) The commission shall elect a member of the commission as
- 22 its chairperson and another member as its vice-chairperson. The
- 23 duties and powers of the chairperson and vice-chairperson shall
- 24 be ARE as prescribed in the commission's rules.
- 25 (9) A member of the commission may be removed from office by
- 26 the governor for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct or
- 27 malfeasance in office. A member of the commission who has a

- 1 direct pecuniary interest in a matter before the commission shall
- 2 disclose that interest before the commission taking action with
- 3 respect to the matter. -, which THE disclosure shall become a
- 4 part of the record of the commission's official proceedings.
- 5 Sec. 4. (1) The commission may do all of the following:
- 6 (a) Promulgate rules to implement and administer this act.
- 7 (b) Act for the purpose of establishing a uniform policy
- 8 relating to all phases of -mobile MANUFACTURED home businesses,
- 9 mobile MANUFACTURED home parks, and seasonal mobile
- 10 MANUFACTURED home parks.
- 11 (c) Determine the sufficiency of local mobile MANUFACTURED
- 12 home ordinances which THAT are designed to provide A local
- 13 governments GOVERNMENT with superintending control over
- 14 mobile MANUFACTURED home businesses, mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 15 parks, or seasonal mobile homes MANUFACTURED HOME parks.
- 16 (d) Conduct public hearings relating to the powers pre-
- 17 scribed in this subsection.
- 18 (2) The director of commerce CONSUMER AND INDUSTRY
- 19 SERVICES or an authorized representative of the director shall do
- 20 all of the following:
- 21 (a) Administer the rules promulgated by the commission.
- 22 (b) Conduct hearings relating to violations of this act or
- 23 rules promulgated under this act.
- 24 (c) Make investigations to determine compliance with this
- 25 act and rules promulgated under this act.
- 26 (d) Provide assistance to the commission as the commission
- 27 requires.

- 1 (3) The commission shall not act for the purpose of
- 2 regulating -mobile MANUFACTURED homes that are not located
- 3 within a mobile MANUFACTURED home park or a seasonal mobile
- 4 MANUFACTURED home park, except as relates to the business, sales,
- 5 and service practices of mobile MANUFACTURED home dealers and
- 6 the business practices of mobile MANUFACTURED home installers
- 7 and repairers.
- 8 Sec. 5. (1) The commission shall promulgate the mobile
- 9 home MANUFACTURED HOUSING code subject to section 4. The code
- 10 shall consist of rules governing all of the following:
- 11 (a) The licensure, density, layout, permits for construc-
- 12 tion, AND construction of mobile MANUFACTURED home parks
- 13 including standards for roads, utilities, open space, or proposed
- 14 recreational facilities, and safety measures sufficient to pro-
- 15 tect health, safety, and welfare of mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 16 park residents. , except THE RULES DO NOT GOVERN water supply,
- 17 sewage collection and treatment, and drainage facilities which
- 18 are regulated by THAT the department of public health
- 19 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REGULATES.
- 20 (b) The business, sales, and service practices of mobile
- 21 MANUFACTURED home dealers.
- 22 (c) The business practices of mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 23 installers and repairers.
- 24 (d) The licensure and regulations REGULATION of mobile
- 25 MANUFACTURED home installers and repairers.

- 1 (e) The setup and installation of mobile MANUFACTURED
- 2 homes inside mobile MANUFACTURED home parks or seasonal
- 3 mobile MANUFACTURED home parks.
- 4 (f) The regulation of the responsibilities, under the
- 5 mobile MANUFACTURED home warranty, of the mobile MANUFACTURED
- 6 home components manufacturer, the mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 7 assembler or manufacturer, and the mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 8 dealer, including the time period and relationships of each under
- 9 the warranty, and the remedies available, if any, if the respon-
- 10 sible parties cease to operate as a business.
- 11 (g) Abuses relating to all of the following:
- 12 (i) Consumer deposits, except utility deposits from consum-
- 13 ers who are direct customers of utilities regulated by the
- 14 Michigan public service commission.
- 15 (ii) Detailed listing of furnishings and fixtures by a manu-
- 16 facturer of a new mobile MANUFACTURED home or a mobile
- 17 MANUFACTURED home dealer for a used mobile MANUFACTURED home.
- 18 (iii) Disclosure and delivery of manufacturer's warranties.
- 19 (iv) Used mobile MANUFACTURED homes. A mobile
- 20 MANUFACTURED home dealer shall provide detailed listing of its
- 21 service records for used mobile MANUFACTURED homes which THAT
- 22 are being sold by the dealer and of which THAT the dealer has
- 23 knowledge OF.
- 24 (h) Applications for and issuance of certificates of title
- 25 for mobile MANUFACTURED homes.
- 26 (2) As part of the code, the commission shall also
- 27 promulgate rules governing the licensure, density, layout,

- 1 permits for construction, and construction of seasonal mobile
- 2 MANUFACTURED home parks. , including THE RULES SHALL GOVERN
- 3 standards for roads, utilities, open space, proposed recreational
- 4 facilities, and safety measures sufficient to protect the health,
- 5 safety, and welfare of seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park
- 6 residents. -, except THE RULES SHALL NOT GOVERN water supply,
- 7 sewage collection and treatment, and drainage facilities -, which
- 8 shall be regulated by THAT the department of public health
- 9 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REGULATES.
- 10 (3) The IN rules promulgated for seasonal mobile
- 11 MANUFACTURED home parks, THE COMMISSION may impose a less strin-
- 12 gent standard than the rules promulgated for mobile
- 13 MANUFACTURED home parks.
- 14 Sec. 6. (1) The department of public health ENVIRONMENTAL
- 15 QUALITY shall promulgate rules for mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 16 parks and seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home parks setting forth
- 17 minimum standards regulating:
- 18 (a) Water supply system.
- 19 (b) Sewage collection and disposal system.
- 20 (c) Drainage.
- 21 (d) Garbage and rubbish storage and disposal.
- (e) Insect and rodent control.
- (f) General operation, maintenance, and safety.
- 24 (g) Certification of compliance under section 17.
- 25 (2) Representatives of local government shall act in an
- 26 advisory capacity in the promulgation of the code.

- 1 (3) The commission shall consult with appropriate state and
- 2 local governments in developing the procedures for effective
- 3 coordination of efforts. The commission shall recommend proce-
- 4 dures to the governor and the legislature for coordinating state
- 5 agency decisions and activities pertaining to this act.
- 6 Sec. 7. (1) A local government which proposes a standard
- 7 related to mobile home parks or seasonal mobile home parks, or
- 8 related to mobile homes located within a mobile home park or a
- 9 seasonal mobile home park that is higher than the standard pro-
- 10 vided in this act or the code; or a standard related to the busi-
- 11 ness, sales, and service practices of mobile home dealers, or the
- 12 business of mobile home installers and repairers, that is higher
- 13 than the standard provided in this act or the code shall file the
- 14 proposed standard with the commission. A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT
- 15 PROPOSES 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS SHALL FILE THE PRO-
- 16 POSED STANDARD WITH THE COMMISSION:
- 17 (A) A STANDARD RELATED TO MANUFACTURED HOME PARKS OR SEA-
- 18 SONAL MANUFACTURED HOME PARKS, OR MANUFACTURED HOMES LOCATED
- 19 WITHIN A MANUFACTURED HOME PARK OR A SEASONAL MANUFACTURED HOME
- 20 PARK, THAT IS HIGHER THAN A STANDARD PROVIDED IN THIS ACT OR THE
- **21** CODE.
- 22 (B) A STANDARD RELATED TO THE BUSINESS, SALES, AND SERVICE
- 23 PRACTICES OF MANUFACTURED HOME DEALERS, OR THE BUSINESS OF MANU-
- 24 FACTURED HOME INSTALLERS AND REPAIRERS, THAT IS HIGHER THAN THE
- 25 STANDARD PROVIDED IN THIS ACT OR THE CODE.
- 26 (2) The commission may promulgate rules to establish the
- 27 criteria and procedure for implementation of A higher standards

- 1 STANDARD by a local government. The commission shall review and
- 2 approve the proposed standard unless the standard is unreason-
- 3 able, arbitrary, or not in the public interest. If the commis-
- 4 sion does not approve or disapprove the proposed standard within
- 5 60 days after it is filed with the commission, the standard
- 6 shall be considered IS approved unless the local government
- 7 grants the commission additional time to consider the standard.
- 8 After the proposed standard is approved, the local government may
- 9 adopt the standard by ordinance. The ordinance shall MUST
- 10 relate to a specific section of the code.
- 11 (3) (2) A local government standard related to mobile
- 12 MANUFACTURED homes not located within a mobile MANUFACTURED
- 13 home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park need not be
- 14 filed with the -mobile home MANUFACTURED HOUSING commission,
- 15 unless the standard relates to the business, sales, and service
- 16 practices of mobile MANUFACTURED home dealers, or the business
- 17 of mobile MANUFACTURED home installers and repairers.
- 18 (4) $\overline{(3)}$ A local government ordinance shall not be designed
- 19 as exclusionary to mobile MANUFACTURED homes generally whether
- 20 the mobile MANUFACTURED homes are located inside or outside of
- 21 mobile MANUFACTURED home parks or seasonal mobile
- 22 MANUFACTURED home parks.
- 23 (5) (4) A local government ordinance shall not contain a
- 24 standard for the setup or installation of mobile MANUFACTURED
- 25 homes that is incompatible with, or is more stringent than,
- 26 either of the following:

- 1 (a) The manufacturer's recommended setup and installation
- 2 specifications.
- **3** (b) The mobile MANUFACTURED home setup and installation
- 4 standards promulgated by the federal department of housing and
- 5 urban development pursuant to UNDER the national manufactured
- 6 housing construction and safety standards act of 1974, TITLE VI
- 7 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, PUBLIC LAW
- 8 93-383, 42 U.S.C. 5401 to 5426.
- 9 (6) $\overline{(5)}$ In the absence of $\overline{\text{any}}$ setup or installation
- 10 specifications or standards for foundations as set forth in sub-
- 11 section $\frac{(4)(a)}{(5)(A)}$ (5)(A) or (b), the local government standards
- 12 for site-built housing shall apply.
- 13 (7) $\overline{(6)}$ A local government ordinance shall not contain
- 14 roof configuration standards or special use zoning requirements
- 15 that apply only to, or excludes, mobile THAT EXCLUDE,
- 16 MANUFACTURED homes. A local government ordinance shall not con-
- 17 tain a manufacturing or construction standard that is incompati-
- 18 ble with, or is more stringent than, a standard promulgated by
- 19 the federal department of housing and urban development pursuant
- 20 to UNDER the national manufactured housing construction and
- 21 safety standards act of 1974, TITLE VI OF THE HOUSING AND COMMU-
- 22 NITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, PUBLIC LAW 93-383, 42 U.S.C. 5401
- 23 to 5426. A local government ordinance may include reasonable
- 24 standards relating to -mobile homes A MANUFACTURED HOME located
- 25 outside of mobile A MANUFACTURED home parks PARK or A sea-
- 26 sonal mobile MANUFACTURED home parks which ensure PARK THAT
- 27 ENSURES that mobile homes compare A MANUFACTURED HOME COMPARES

- 1 aesthetically to site-built housing located or allowed in the
- 2 same residential zone.
- 3 Sec. 11. (1) A person who desires to develop a mobile
- 4 MANUFACTURED home park or a seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 5 park shall submit a preliminary plan to the appropriate munici-
- 6 pality, local health department, county road commission, and
- 7 county drain commissioner for preliminary approval. The prelimi-
- 8 nary plan shall include the location, THE layout, THE general
- 9 design, and a general description of the project. The prelimi-
- 10 nary plan shall not include detailed construction plans.
- 11 (2) The municipality may grant preliminary approval if the
- 12 proposed mobile MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile
- 13 MANUFACTURED home park conforms to applicable laws and local
- 14 ordinances not in conflict with this act and laws and ordinances
- 15 relative to ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 16 (a) Land use and zoning.
- 17 (b) Municipal water supply, sewage service, and drainage.
- 18 (c) Compliance with local fire ordinances and state fire
- **19** laws.
- 20 (3) The county drain commissioner shall review and may
- 21 approve outlet drainage. The county road commission shall review
- 22 and may approve ingress and egress roads. The county road com-
- 23 mission and the county drain commissioner shall adopt and publish
- 24 standards to implement this subsection. The county road commis-
- 25 sion and the county drain commissioner shall DO not have
- 26 authority as to interior streets and drainage in the mobile

- 1 MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 2 park, unless the streets or drains are dedicated to the public.
- 3 (4) The local health department shall grant preliminary
- 4 approval, under the guidance of the department of public health,
- 5 for on-site water and sewage service and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY,
- 6 FOR general site suitability.
- 7 (5) If a reviewing agency as provided in this section has
- 8 not returned the preliminary plan to the developer, either
- 9 approved, modified, or disapproved within 60 days after it
- 10 receives the preliminary plan, the preliminary plan shall be IS
- 11 considered approved.
- 12 (6) Coordination of approvals APPROVAL by state and local
- 13 governments shall be provided by the director of public health
- 14 THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY before it THE DEPART-
- 15 MENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY may grant construction approval.
- 16 (7) The developer shall submit the preliminary approval with
- 17 the final plans to the department of public health
- 18 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY for review before the department of
- 19 commerce may issue a construction permit.
- 20 (8) IF THE MUNICIPALITY'S SYSTEM FOR WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE
- 21 SERVICE IS ESTABLISHED AND ACCESSIBLE, THE MANUFACTURED HOME PARK
- 22 DEVELOPER OR SEASONAL MANUFACTURED HOME PARK DEVELOPER IS
- 23 REQUIRED TO UTILIZE THAT SYSTEM. IF THE MUNICIPALITY ESTABLISHES
- 24 A SYSTEM FOR WATER SUPPLY OR SEWAGE SERVICE AFTER THE MANUFAC-
- 25 TURED HOME PARK OR SEASONAL MANUFACTURED HOME PARK IS CON-
- 26 STRUCTED, THE MANUFACTURED HOME PARK OR SEASONAL MANUFACTURED
- 27 HOME PARK IS REQUIRED TO UTILIZE THE MUNICIPALITY'S SYSTEM ONLY

- 1 IF THE PARK MAKES A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE TO ITS SYSTEM. THIS
- 2 SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY TO A MANUFACTURED HOME PARK OR A SEASONAL
- 3 MANUFACTURED HOME PARK CONSTRUCTED AFTER JANUARY 1, 2002.
- 4 Sec. 12. (1) When all preliminary approvals are made, the
- 5 developer shall submit the legal documents and the final plans
- 6 draft to the department.
- 7 (2) The department shall review the filing and, within
- 8 90 days after filing, issue its approval or disapproval. Upon
- 9 the approval of all the reviewing agencies, the department shall
- 10 issue a permit to construct the mobile MANUFACTURED home park
- 11 or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park.
- 12 Sec. 13. (1) A person shall not construct a mobile
- 13 MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal -mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 14 park without obtaining a permit issued by the department.
- (2) Construction may begin upon the granting of WHEN THE
- 16 DEPARTMENT GRANTS a permit to construct. by the department.
- 17 Sec. 14. Upon completion of the construction of the
- 18 mobile A MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile
- 19 MANUFACTURED home park, the owner or operator of the park and a
- 20 registered professional engineer or architect shall file with the
- 21 department an affidavit certifying that the mobile MANUFACTURED
- 22 home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park, lot, and
- 23 work were completed in accordance with the approved specifica-
- 24 tions and plans.
- 25 Sec. 16. (1) A person shall not operate a mobile
- 26 MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 27 park without a license.

- 1 (2) Upon completion, review, and approval of certifications,
- 2 the department shall grant a license to operate a mobile
- 3 MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 4 park.
- 5 (3) An annual license shall be granted and renewed by the
- 6 department based upon the certifications and recommendations of
- 7 the appropriate agencies and local governments.
- 8 (4) If a person submits a timely application for renewal of
- 9 a license and pays the appropriate fee, the person may continue
- 10 to operate a mobile MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile
- 11 MANUFACTURED home park unless notified that the application for
- 12 renewal is not approved.
- 13 (5) A campground which THAT is currently licensed under
- 14 sections 12501 to 12516 of the public health code, Act No. 368
- 15 of the Public Acts of 1978, being sections 333.12501 to 333.12516
- 16 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.12501 TO
- 17 333.12516, THAT was previously licensed under the licensing pro-
- 18 visions of Act No. 243 of the Public Acts of 1959, being sec-
- 19 tions 125.1035 to 125.1043 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1959
- 20 PA 243, MCL 125.1035 TO 125.1043, as a seasonal trailer park, and
- 21 which THAT currently meets the seasonal trailer park construc-
- 22 tion standards under Act No. 243 of the Public Acts of 1959
- 23 1959 PA 243, MCL 125.1035 TO 125.1043, may apply for and shall be
- 24 licensed as a seasonal -mobile MANUFACTURED home park under this
- 25 act if the campground meets all other requirements for licensure
- 26 under this act as a seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park.

- 1 Sec. 16a. Mobile MANUFACTURED homes located in a seasonal
- 2 mobile MANUFACTURED home park may be occupied on a full-time
- 3 basis from April 1 to October 31, but shall not be occupied for
- 4 more than 15 consecutive days in any A 30-day period from
- 5 November 1 to March 31.
- 6 Sec. 17. (1) The department of public health
- 7 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY or its authorized representative shall con-
- 8 duct an annual physical inspection of mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 9 parks and seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home parks in accordance
- 10 with standards established by the department of public health
- 11 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY. If the mobile MANUFACTURED home park or
- 12 seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park is approved, the depart-
- 13 ment of public health ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY shall issue a cer-
- 14 tification of compliance to the department of commerce that the
- 15 park is licensable.
- 16 (2) Except for purposes of issuing a license or renewing a
- 17 license pursuant to UNDER this act, a local government may not
- 18 make an inspection unless it has reason to believe that this act,
- 19 the code, or rules promulgated pursuant to UNDER this act were
- 20 violated.
- 21 Sec. 18. (1) A variance in the design and construction of a
- 22 mobile MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED
- 23 home park may be granted upon notice of the request to the local
- 24 government and the department of public health ENVIRONMENTAL
- 25 QUALITY at the time of filing with the department. of commerce.
- 26 If the local government grants a variance which THAT would
- 27 permit activities violative of the minimum standards of the code,

- 1 the local government shall file with the department a copy of the
- 2 variance order and an explanation of the reason for the granting
- 3 of the order. The department may approve or disapprove the vari-
- 4 ance or revoke the variance upon notice and hearing.
- 5 (2) After a public hearing, the department may grant a spe-
- 6 cific variance to a substantive requirement of the code if the
- 7 literal application of the substantive requirement would result
- 8 in an exceptional, practical difficulty to the applicant, and if
- 9 the specific condition justifying the variance is neither so gen-
- 10 eral nor recurrent in nature as to make an amendment of the code
- 11 with respect to the condition reasonably practical or desirable.
- 12 (3) The department may attach in writing a condition in con-
- 13 nection with the granting of a variance that in its judgment is
- 14 necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the
- 15 people of this state. The variance shall not exceed the minimum
- 16 necessary to alleviate the exceptional, practical difficulty.
- 17 (4) A ONLY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY GRANT A variance to a
- 18 local ordinance, zoning requirement, or local rule. may be
- 19 granted only by a local government.
- 20 (5) A ONLY THE COMMISSION MAY GRANT A variance to a rule
- 21 promulgated under this act. may be granted only by the
- 22 commission.
- 23 Sec. 21. (1) A mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer shall not
- 24 engage in the retail sale of a -mobile MANUFACTURED home without
- 25 a license.
- 26 (2) A mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer, mobile
- 27 MANUFACTURED home installer, or repairer may obtain an initial or

- 1 renewal license by filing with the commission an application
- 2 together with consent to service of process in a form prescribed
- 3 by the commission pursuant ACCORDING to section 35.
- 4 (3) An initial or renewal license under this act shall be
- 5 issued for not more than 1 year. Licenses shall expire on
- 6 October 1.
- 7 (4) The annual license fee for a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 8 dealer is \$150.00 or any other A lesser amount established
- 9 pursuant ACCORDING to section 9(5).
- 10 (5) The annual license fee for a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 11 installer or repairer is \$50.00 or any other A lesser amount
- 12 established pursuant ACCORDING to section 9(5).
- 13 (6) A licensed mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer, mobile
- 14 MANUFACTURED home installer, or repairer may file an application
- 15 for the license of a successor, whether or not the successor is
- 16 then in existence, for the unexpired portion of the year. The
- 17 commission may grant or deny the application.
- 18 (7) A licensee who submits a timely application for renewal
- 19 of a license and pays the appropriate fee may continue sales of
- 20 mobile MANUFACTURED homes unless notified that the application
- 21 for renewal is not approved.
- Sec. 22. The commission may promulgate rules to require a
- 23 licensed mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer to post a surety bond
- 24 in an amount up to \$10,000.00 for each sales location and may
- 25 determine conditions of the bond. An appropriate deposit of cash
- 26 or securities shall be accepted in lieu of a bond which THAT is
- 27 required.

- 1 Sec. 23. A licensed mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer shall
- 2 make and keep accounts, and other records as the commission pre-
- 3 scribes by rule. The records required shall be preserved for
- 4 3 years unless the commission otherwise prescribes by rule for
- 5 particular types of records. If the information contained in a
- 6 record filed with the commission is or becomes inaccurate or
- 7 incomplete in any A material respect, the licensee promptly
- 8 shall file a correcting amendment.
- 9 Sec. 24. A mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer shall not DO 1
- 10 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 11 (a) Advertise or represent a mobile MANUFACTURED home as
- 12 other than calendar or model year.
- 13 (b) Misapply consumer deposits on a mobile MANUFACTURED
- 14 home or a mobile MANUFACTURED home park.
- (c) Fail to place deposits, down payments, or similar pay-
- 16 ments for the purchase or right to purchase a mobile
- 17 MANUFACTURED home in a separate escrow account subject to return
- 18 upon cancellation of the purchase order by the prospective pur-
- 19 chaser under the rules or orders as the commission promulgates or
- 20 issues unless the dealer shall post POSTS a bond or a deposit
- 21 of cash or securities for protection of these payments in an
- 22 amount acceptable to the commission.
- 23 (d) Fail to disclose to the department any direct or indi-
- 24 rect business relationships with financial and loan institutions,
- 25 banks, and insurance companies.
- 26 Sec. 25. (1) The commission shall promulgate rules relating
- 27 to the responsibility of the mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer,

- 1 -mobile MANUFACTURED home installer, and the -mobile
- 2 MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 3 park owner for installation and setup of a mobile MANUFACTURED
- 4 home.
- 5 (2) A person licensed under any 1 OR MORE of the following
- 6 acts shall not be required to be licensed as a mobile
- 7 MANUFACTURED home installer and repairer in order to perform work
- 8 on -mobile MANUFACTURED homes for which the person is licensed,
- 9 unless the work performed also includes the setup, installation,
- 10 or general repair of mobile MANUFACTURED homes:
- 11 (a) The electrical administrative act, Act No. 217 of the
- 12 Public Acts of 1956, being sections 338.881 to 338.892 of the
- 13 Michigan Compiled Laws 1956 PA 217, MCL 338.881 TO 338.892.
- 14 (b) Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1929, being sections
- 15 338.901 to 338.917 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1929 PA 266,
- 16 MCL 338.901 TO 338.917.
- 17 (c) The Forbes mechanical contractors act, Act No. 192 of
- 18 the Public Acts of 1984, being sections 338.971 to 338.988 of the
- 19 Michigan Compiled Laws 1984 PA 192, MCL 338.971 TO 338.988.
- 20 (3) The electrical administrative act, Act No. 217 of the
- 21 Public Acts of 1956, being sections 338.881 to 338.892 of the
- 22 Michigan Compiled Laws 1956 PA 217, MCL 338.881 TO 338.892, Act
- 23 No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1929, being sections 338.901 to
- 24 338.917 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1929 PA 266, MCL 338.901
- 25 TO 338.917, and the Forbes mechanical contractors act, Act
- 26 No. 192 of the Public Acts of 1984, being sections 338.971 to
- 27 338.988 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1984 PA 192, MCL 338.971

- 1 TO 338.988, shall DO not apply to the setup or installation of
- 2 a mobile MANUFACTURED home and the following connections or
- 3 replacement or repair of the following connections, by a licensed
- 4 -mobile MANUFACTURED home installer and repairer:
- 5 (a) Factory-installed electrical wiring, devices, appli-
- 6 ances, or appurtenances to available electrical meters or
- 7 pedestals.
- 8 (b) Factory-installed piping, fixtures, plumbing appliances,
- 9 and plumbing appurtenances to sanitary drainage or storm drainage
- 10 facilities, venting systems, or public or private water supply
- 11 systems.
- 12 (c) Factory-installed process piping, heating and cooling
- 13 equipment, and systems or supply lines to available service
- 14 meters or mains.
- 15 Sec. 27. (1) A person shall not, in connection with the
- 16 offer, sale, purchase, or rental of a mobile MANUFACTURED home,
- 17 mobile MANUFACTURED home site, or RELATED equipment, relating
- 18 thereto DO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) Employ a devise, scheme, or artifice to defraud.
- 20 (b) Make an untrue statement of material fact or omit to
- 21 state a material fact necessary to make the statement not mis-
- 22 leading, in the light of the circumstances under which it is
- 23 made.
- 24 (2) A person shall not willfully authorize, direct, or aid
- 25 in publication, advertisement, distribution, or circulation of a
- 26 statement or representation concerning a mobile MANUFACTURED
- 27 home, mobile MANUFACTURED home site, or equipment relating

- 1 thereto, which THAT misrepresents the facts concerning the
- 2 -mobile MANUFACTURED home, -mobile MANUFACTURED home site, or
- 3 RELATED equipment. relating thereto.
- 4 (3) A person with knowledge that an advertisement, pamphlet,
- 5 prospectus, or letter concerning a mobile MANUFACTURED home,
- 6 mobile MANUFACTURED home site, or RELATED equipment relating
- 7 thereto contains a written statement that is false or fraudu-
- 8 lent, shall not issue, circulate, publish, or distribute the
- 9 advertisement, pamphlet, prospectus, or letter concerning a
- 10 -mobile MANUFACTURED home, -mobile MANUFACTURED home site, or
- 11 RELATED equipment. relating thereto.
- 12 (4) A person shall not willfully make any A material mis-
- 13 representation in the sale of a mobile MANUFACTURED home,
- 14 mobile MANUFACTURED home site, or RELATED equipment. relating
- 15 thereto.
- 16 Sec. 28. (1) An owner or operator of a mobile MANUFACTURED
- 17 home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park shall not
- 18 engage, or permit an employee or agent to engage, in any of the
- 19 following unfair or deceptive methods, acts, or practices:
- 20 (a) Directly or indirectly charging or collecting from a
- 21 person an entrance fee.
- (b) Requiring a person to directly or indirectly purchase a
- 23 mobile MANUFACTURED home from another person as a condition of
- 24 entrance to, or lease or rental of, a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 25 park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park space.
- (c) Directly or indirectly charging or collecting from a
- 27 person a refundable or nonrefundable exit fee.

- 1 (d) Requiring or coercing a person to purchase, rent, or
- 2 lease goods or services from another person as a condition of
- 3 any 1 OR MORE of the following:
- $\mathbf{4}$ (i) Entering into a park or lease.
- (ii) Selling a mobile MANUFACTURED home through the park
- 6 owner or operator, or his or her agent or designee upon leaving a
- 7 mobile MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED
- 8 home park.
- 9 (iii) Renting space in a mobile MANUFACTURED home park or
- 10 seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park.
- (e) Directly or indirectly charging or collecting from a
- 12 person money or other thing of value for electric, fuel, or water
- 13 service without the use of that service by a resident or tenant
- 14 being first accurately and consistently measured, unless that
- 15 service is included in the rental charge as an incident of
- 16 tenancy.
- 17 (f) Conspiring, combining, agreeing, aiding, or abetting in
- 18 the employment of a method, act, or practice that violates this
- 19 act.
- 20 (g) Renting or leasing a mobile MANUFACTURED home or site
- 21 in a mobile MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile
- 22 MANUFACTURED home park without offering a written lease.
- 23 (h) Subject to section 28a, prohibiting a resident from
- 24 selling his or her mobile MANUFACTURED home on-site for a price
- 25 determined by that resident, if the purchaser qualifies for ten-
- 26 ancy and the -mobile MANUFACTURED home meets the conditions of

- 1 written park rules or regulations. This subdivision does not
- 2 apply to seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home parks.
- **3** (i) Subject to reasonable mobile MANUFACTURED home park or
- 4 seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park rules governing the
- 5 location, size, and style of exterior television antenna, prohib-
- 6 iting a person from installing or maintaining an exterior televi-
- 7 sion antenna on a mobile MANUFACTURED home within the park
- 8 unless the -mobile MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal -mobile
- 9 MANUFACTURED home park provides park residents, without charge, a
- 10 central television antenna for UHF-VHF reception.
- 11 (2) A tenant of a mobile MANUFACTURED home park or sea-
- 12 sonal mobile MANUFACTURED home park may bring an action on his
- 13 or her own behalf for a violation of this section.
- 14 (3) If the commission has reason to suspect that the owner
- 15 of a mobile MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile
- 16 MANUFACTURED home park is engaged in conduct that violates exist-
- 17 ing water utility tariffs or qualifies the owner of a mobile
- 18 MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 19 park for regulation as a water utility, the commission shall
- 20 promptly send a written report of the alleged violation to the
- 21 Michigan public service commission.
- 22 Sec. 28a. (1) Mobile MANUFACTURED home park rules or reg-
- 23 ulations may include provisions governing the physical condition
- 24 of -mobile homes A MANUFACTURED HOME and the aesthetic charac-
- 25 teristics of mobile homes A MANUFACTURED HOME in relation to
- 26 the mobile MANUFACTURED home park in which they are located,
- 27 subject to all of the following:

- 1 (a) The age or size of a mobile MANUFACTURED home shall
- 2 not be used as the sole basis for refusing to allow an on-site,
- 3 in-park sale or for refusing to allow the mobile MANUFACTURED
- 4 home to remain on-site. The burden of going forward in a suit
- 5 against the mobile MANUFACTURED home park owner or operator for
- 6 violation of this subdivision is on the resident.
- 7 (b) The standards incorporated in the written park rules or
- 8 regulations governing the physical condition and aesthetic char-
- 9 acteristics of mobile homes A MANUFACTURED HOME in the mobile
- 10 MANUFACTURED home park shall apply APPLIES equally to all
- 11 residents.
- 12 (c) A mobile MANUFACTURED home sold on-site shall conform
- 13 with Act No. 133 of the Public Acts of 1974, being sections
- 14 125.771 to 125.774 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1974 PA 133,
- 15 MCL 125.771 TO 125.774.
- 16 (d) Any A charge connected to the on-site, in-park sale of
- 17 a mobile MANUFACTURED home, other than the inspection fee per-
- 18 mitted under subdivision (e) and the commission or fee charged by
- 19 a mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer licensed under this act who
- 20 is engaged by the seller to transact the sale, is an entrance or
- 21 exit fee in violation of section 28.
- (e) A park owner or operator may charge a reasonable fee to
- 23 inspect the mobile MANUFACTURED home before sale. The charge
- 24 shall not be more than \$30.00, or the amount charged for building
- 25 permit inspections by the municipality in which the mobile
- 26 MANUFACTURED home is located, whichever is higher.

- 1 (f) The standards governing the physical condition of
- 2 -mobile homes A MANUFACTURED HOME and the aesthetic
- 3 characteristics of -mobile homes A MANUFACTURED HOME in the
- 4 mobile MANUFACTURED home park, as incorporated in the written
- 5 park rules, shall not be designed to defeat the intent of this
- 6 section.
- 7 (2) Subsection (1)(f) shall DOES not apply if the mobile
- 8 MANUFACTURED home park is changing its method of doing business
- 9 and provides not less than 1 year's notice, unless a different
- 10 notice period is otherwise provided by law, of the proposed
- 11 change to all affected mobile MANUFACTURED home park
- 12 residents. A change in a -mobile MANUFACTURED home park's
- 13 method of doing business includes, but is not limited to, any 1
- 14 OR MORE of the following:
- 15 (a) Conversion to a mobile MANUFACTURED home park condo-
- 16 minium pursuant ACCORDING to the condominium act, Act No. 59
- 17 of the Public Acts of 1978, being sections 559.101 to 559.275 of
- 18 the Michigan Compiled Laws 1978 PA 59, MCL 559.101 TO 559.276.
- 19 (b) Conversion to total rental of both mobile MANUFACTURED
- 20 home site and park-owned mobile MANUFACTURED homes.
- 21 (c) Changes in use of the land on which the mobile
- 22 MANUFACTURED home park is located.
- 23 (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) or (2), a mobile
- 24 MANUFACTURED home park may require a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 25 to be moved to a comparable site within the mobile MANUFACTURED
- 26 home park, at the expense of the mobile MANUFACTURED home
- **27** park.

- 1 (4) If, after termination of a resident's tenancy for just
- 2 cause as provided in chapter 57a of the revised judicature act of
- 3 1961, Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, being sections
- 4 600.5771 to 600.5785 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1961 PA 236,
- 5 MCL 600.5771 TO 600.5785, the resident of a mobile MANUFACTURED
- 6 home park sells his or her -mobile MANUFACTURED home to the
- 7 owner or operator of the mobile MANUFACTURED home park, or to
- 8 any AN entity in which the owner or operator has any AN
- 9 interest, the resident shall have HAS the right to have the
- 10 mobile MANUFACTURED home's value appraised and, if so
- 11 appraised, the sale price of the mobile MANUFACTURED home shall
- 12 not be less than the appraised value.
- 13 (5) Except as provided in subsection (1)(a), a mobile
- 14 MANUFACTURED home park owner or operator, or both, has the burden
- 15 of going forward to show compliance with subsection (1).
- 16 Sec. 28b. A mobile MANUFACTURED home park rule that does
- 17 either of the following shall not be enforced against a resident,
- 18 unless the rule was proposed and in force before the resident was
- 19 approved for tenancy in the -mobile MANUFACTURED home park:
- 20 (a) Prohibits those children who were previously approved
- 21 under prior park rules from residing in the mobile MANUFACTURED
- 22 home park. A rule prohibiting children, or additional children,
- 23 shall not be enforced against persons who were residents of the
- 24 mobile MANUFACTURED home park at the time the rule was adopted
- 25 until after 1 year's notice to those persons.

- 1 (b) Prohibits a resident from keeping those pets which
- 2 THAT were previously approved under prior park rules, except
- 3 dangerous animals.
- 4 Sec. 28c. (1) A lease or rental agreement or rules or regu-
- 5 lations that are adopted pursuant ACCORDING to a lease or
- 6 rental agreement may include a provision that requires liquidated
- 7 damages to be awarded to the prevailing party in a contested
- 8 action to terminate a tenancy in a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 9 park for just cause under section 5775 of the revised judicature
- 10 act of 1961, Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, being
- 11 section 600.5775 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1961 PA 236,
- **12** MCL 600.5775.
- 13 (2) A provision allowed under subsection (1) may require
- 14 liquidated damages of not more than \$500.00 for an action in the
- 15 district court and not more than \$300.00 for each appellate
- 16 level. Liquidated damages shall not be construed to be a
- 17 penalty.
- 18 Sec. 29. (1) A utility company shall notify the department
- 19 10 days before shutoff of service for nonpayment, including
- 20 sewer, water, gas, or electric service, when the service is being
- 21 supplied to the licensed owner or operator of a mobile
- 22 MANUFACTURED home park or seasonal mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 23 park for the use and benefit of the park's tenants.
- 24 (2) A MUNICIPALITY SHALL NOT CHARGE A MANUFACTURED HOME PARK
- 25 OR A SEASONAL MANUFACTURED HOME PARK MORE TO PROVIDE A WATER
- 26 SUPPLY SYSTEM OR SEWAGE SERVICE THAN THE AMOUNT THE MUNICIPALITY
- 27 CHARGES OTHER CUSTOMERS TO PROVIDE THE SAME TYPE OF SERVICE.

- Sec. 30. (1) After December 31, 1978, every mobile
- 2 MANUFACTURED home located in this state shall be IS subject to
- 3 the certificate of title provisions of this act, except for any
- 4 A new mobile MANUFACTURED home owned by a manufacturer or
- 5 licensed mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer and held for sale.
- 6 (2) After December 31, 1978, a certificate of title for a
- 7 mobile MANUFACTURED home issued by the secretary of state
- 8 before January 1, 1979, pursuant ACCORDING to Act No. 300 of
- 9 the Public Acts of 1949, being sections 257.1 to 257.923 of the
- 10 Michigan Compiled Laws shall be THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE, 1949
- 11 PA 300, MCL 257.1 TO 257.923, IS considered to be a certificate
- 12 of title issued by the department under this act and shall be
- 13 IS subject to all of the provisions of this act respecting
- 14 REGARDING certificates of title.
- 15 (3) After December 31, 1978, a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 16 shall not be sold or transferred except by transfer of the cer-
- 17 tificate of title for the mobile MANUFACTURED home pursuant
- 18 to UNDER this act.
- 19 Sec. 30a. (1) An owner of a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 20 which THAT is subject to the certificate of title provisions of
- 21 this act shall make application APPLY to the department for the
- 22 issuance of a certificate of title for the -mobile MANUFACTURED
- 23 home upon the appropriate form furnished by the department,
- 24 accompanied by a fee of \$45.00 or any A lesser amount estab-
- 25 lished pursuant ACCORDING to section 9(5). The application
- 26 shall bear the signature of the owner written in ink, shall be

- 1 acknowledged by the owner before a person authorized to take
- 2 acknowledgments, and shall contain ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 3 (a) The name and address of the owner.
- 4 (b) A description of the mobile MANUFACTURED home, includ-
- 5 ing the name of the manufacturer, the year and model, and the
- 6 manufacturer's serial number or, in the absence of a serial
- 7 number, a number assigned by the department. A number assigned
- 8 by the department shall be permanently placed on the mobile
- 9 MANUFACTURED home in the manner and place designated by the
- 10 department.
- 11 (c) A statement of the names and addresses of the holders of
- 12 any security interests in the mobile MANUFACTURED home, in
- 13 the order of their priority.
- 14 (d) Further information as may reasonably be required by the
- 15 department to enable it to determine whether the owner of the
- 16 mobile MANUFACTURED home is entitled to a certificate of title
- 17 for the mobile MANUFACTURED home.
- 18 (2) If the department is not satisfied as to the ownership
- 19 of the mobile MANUFACTURED home, before issuing a certificate
- 20 of title for it, the department may require the applicant to file
- 21 a properly executed surety bond in a form prescribed by the
- 22 department, executed by the applicant and a company authorized to
- 23 conduct a surety business in this state. The bond shall be in an
- 24 amount equal to twice the value of the -mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 25 as determined by the department and shall be conditioned to
- 26 indemnify or reimburse the department, any A prior owner, any
- 27 A holder of a security interest in the mobile MANUFACTURED

- 1 home, and any A subsequent purchaser of the mobile
- 2 MANUFACTURED home, and their successors in interest, against
- 3 any expense, loss, or damage, including reasonable attorney's
- 4 fees, by reason of the issuance of a certificate of title to the
- 5 mobile MANUFACTURED home or on account of any A defect in the
- 6 right, title, or interest of the applicant in and to the mobile
- 7 MANUFACTURED home. Each interested person has a right of action
- 8 to recover on the bond for a breach of its conditions, but the
- 9 aggregate liability of the surety to all persons shall DOES not
- 10 exceed the amount of the bond. The bond shall be returned at the
- 11 end of 5 years, or before 5 years if the currently valid certifi-
- 12 cate of title is surrendered to the department, unless the
- 13 department has received notification of the pendency of THAT an
- 14 action IS PENDING to recover on the bond.
- 15 (3) The department shall examine and determine the genuine-
- 16 ness, regularity, and legality of an application for a certifi-
- 17 cate of title for a mobile MANUFACTURED home and of any other
- 18 application lawfully made to the department. —, and THE
- 19 DEPARTMENT may in all cases make investigation INVESTIGATE or
- 20 require additional information as may be considered IT
- 21 CONSIDERS necessary. -, and THE DEPARTMENT shall reject any AN
- 22 application if not satisfied of the genuineness, regularity, or
- 23 legality of it or the truth of any A statement contained in it,
- 24 or for any other reason, when authorized by law.
- 25 (4) The fee for obtaining a duplicate, replacement, or cor-
- 26 rected title, for placing or terminating a lien on the title, or

- 1 for placing a name on the title is \$15.00 or any other A lesser
- 2 amount established pursuant ACCORDING to section 9(5).
- 3 Sec. 30b. (1) The department upon receipt of the required
- 4 application and fees shall issue a certificate of title except as
- 5 otherwise provided.
- 6 (2) The certificate of title shall contain upon ON its
- 7 face the date issued, the name and address of the owner, a
- 8 description of the mobile MANUFACTURED home as determined by
- 9 the department, a statement of all security interests in the
- 10 -mobile MANUFACTURED home as set forth in the application, the
- 11 date on which the application was filed, and other information as
- 12 the department may require.
- 13 (3) The certificate of title shall contain upon ON the
- 14 reverse side forms for assignment of title or interest and war-
- 15 ranty of title by the owner with space for notation of security
- 16 interests in the mobile MANUFACTURED home at the time of a
- 17 transfer to be signed in ink, and other forms as the department
- 18 may consider necessary to facilitate the effective administration
- 19 of this section. The certificate shall bear the seal of the
- 20 department.
- 21 (4) The certificate of title shall be mailed or delivered to
- 22 the owner or other person as the owner may direct in a separate
- 23 instrument, in the form as the department shall prescribe THE
- 24 DEPARTMENT PRESCRIBES.
- 25 Sec. 30c. (1) If the owner of a mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 26 transfers or assigns the owner's title or interest to the
- 27 mobile MANUFACTURED home, the owner shall indorse ENDORSE on

- 1 the back of the certificate of title an assignment of the
- 2 mobile MANUFACTURED home with warranty of title with a state-
- 3 ment of all security interests in the -mobile MANUFACTURED home.
- 4 -, and THE OWNER shall cause MAIL OR DELIVER the certificate
- 5 to be mailed or delivered to the department or to the purchaser
- 6 or transferee at the time of the delivery to the purchaser or
- 7 transferee of the -mobile MANUFACTURED home.
- 8 (2) Upon the delivery of a mobile MANUFACTURED home and
- 9 the transfer, sale, or assignment of the title or interest in a
- 10 mobile MANUFACTURED home, the effective date of the transfer of
- 11 title or interest shall be IS the date of execution of either
- 12 the application for title or the certificate of title.
- 13 (3) The purchaser or transferee, unless the purchaser or
- 14 transferee is a licensed dealer, shall cause to be presented
- 15 PRESENT to the department the certificate of title accompanied by
- 16 the 1 OF THE FOLLOWING applicable fee, as follows FEES:
- 17 (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b) or (c), \$45.00.
- 18 (b) Except as provided in subdivision (c), \$15.00, if the
- 19 sale, assignment, or other transfer will require the addition or
- 20 deletion from the certificate of title of any 1 OR MORE of the
- 21 following:
- 22 (i) The owner's spouse.
- (ii) A person related to the owner within the fourth degree
- 24 of consanguinity as computed by the civil law method.
- 25 (iii) A person related to the owner's spouse within the
- 26 fourth degree of consanguinity as computed by the civil law
- 27 method.

- 1 (c) Any other A lesser amount established pursuant
- 2 ACCORDING to section 9(5).
- 3 (4) Upon presentation of the certificate of title accom-
- 4 panied by the applicable fee, a new certificate of title shall be
- 5 issued. A certificate of title issued under subsection (3) and
- 6 this subsection shall be mailed or delivered to the owner or any
- 7 other ANOTHER person AS the owner may direct DIRECTS in a sep-
- 8 arate instrument in a form as prescribed by the department
- 9 PRESCRIBES.
- 10 (5) If a security interest is reserved or created at the
- 11 time of the transfer, the parties shall comply with section 30d.
- 12 (6) If the transferee of a mobile MANUFACTURED home is a
- 13 -mobile MANUFACTURED home dealer who holds the -mobile
- 14 MANUFACTURED home for resale, the dealer -shall IS not -be-
- 15 required to forward the certificate of title to the department,
- 16 but the dealer shall retain possession of the assigned certifi-
- 17 cate of title. Upon transfer of the dealer's title or interest
- 18 to another person, the dealer shall execute and acknowledge an
- 19 assignment and warranty of title upon the certificate of title
- 20 and deliver it to the person to whom the transfer is made if the
- 21 person is a licensed dealer; otherwise, application for a new
- 22 title shall be made by the transferor as provided in
- 23 section 30a(1).
- 24 Sec. 30d. (1) If an owner named in a certificate of title
- 25 creates a security interest in the -mobile MANUFACTURED home
- 26 described in the certificate, ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

- 1 (a) The owner shall immediately execute an application in
- 2 the form prescribed by the department PRESCRIBES showing the
- 3 name and address of the holder of the security interest and
- 4 deliver the certificate of title, application, and a fee of \$1.00
- 5 together with a copy of the application which THAT need not be
- 6 signed, to the holder of the security interest.
- **7** (b) The holder of the security interest shall cause MAIL
- 8 OR DELIVER the certificate of title, application, and fee and the
- 9 copy of the application to be mailed or delivered to the
- 10 department.
- 11 (c) The department shall indicate on the copy of the appli-
- 12 cation the date and place of filing of the application and return
- 13 the copy to the person presenting it.
- 14 (d) Upon receipt of the certificate of title, application,
- 15 and the required fee, the department shall issue a new certifi-
- 16 cate in the form provided by section 30b setting forth the name
- 17 and address of each holder of a security interest in the mobile
- 18 home for which a termination statement has not been filed and the
- 19 date on which THAT the application first stating the security
- 20 interest was filed, and mail the certificate to the owner.
- 21 (2) A holder of a security interest may assign, absolutely
- 22 or otherwise, the security interest to a person other than the
- 23 owner without affecting the interest of the owner or the validity
- 24 of the security interest, but a person without notice of the
- 25 assignment is protected in dealing with the holder of the secur-
- 26 ity interest as the holder of the security interest. The
- 27 assignee may have the certificate of title -indorsed ENDORSED

- 1 with the assignee named as the holder of the security interest by
- 2 providing the department with a copy of the assignment instrument
- 3 but the failure of the assignee to do so shall DOES not affect
- 4 the validity of the security interest or the assignment of the
- 5 security interest.
- **6** (3) The filing under this section or under section 30a of an
- 7 application for a certificate of title showing the name and
- 8 address of the holder of a security interest in a mobile
- 9 MANUFACTURED home is equivalent to the filing of a financing
- 10 statement with respect to the security interest under article 9
- 11 of the uniform commercial code, Act No. 174 of the Public Acts
- 12 of 1962, being sections 440.9101 to 440.9994 of the Michigan
- 13 Compiled Laws 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.9101 TO 440.9994.
- 14 (4) When IF there is not an outstanding obligation or com-
- 15 mitment to make advances, incur obligations, or otherwise give
- 16 value, secured or to be secured by a security interest in a
- 17 mobile MANUFACTURED home, the secured party shall, within
- 18 10 days after satisfaction of the obligation and, in any event
- 19 within 30 days, execute a termination statement in the form
- 20 prescribed by the department PRESCRIBES and mail or deliver the
- 21 termination statement to the owner or other person as the owner
- 22 may direct. The owner other than a dealer holding the mobile
- 23 MANUFACTURED home for resale, shall promptly cause MAIL OR
- 24 DELIVER the certificate, all termination statements, and an
- 25 application for certificate of title accompanied by a fee of
- 26 \$1.00 to be mailed or delivered to the department. -, which
- 27 THE DEPARTMENT shall issue a new certificate.

- Sec. 30e. (1) If the interest of the owner in a mobile
- 2 MANUFACTURED home is terminated by the enforcement of a security
- 3 agreement, the transferee of the owner's interest shall promptly
- 4 mail or deliver to the department the last certificate of title,
- 5 if the transferee has possession of POSSESSES it; , an appli-
- 6 cation for a new certificate in the form prescribed by the
- 7 department —, PRESCRIBES; and an affidavit made by or on behalf
- 8 of the holder of the security interest so enforced that the
- 9 mobile MANUFACTURED home was repossessed, that the interest of
- 10 the owner was lawfully terminated by enforcement of the security
- 11 agreement, and whether the holder has delivered the last certifi-
- 12 cate of title to the transferee of the owner's interest, naming
- 13 the transferee, or if not, the reason delivery was not made and
- 14 the then location of the certificate of title so far as known
- 15 to the holder. If the holder of the security interest succeeds
- 16 to the interest of the owner and holds the mobile MANUFACTURED
- 17 home for resale, the holder shall not be required to secure a new
- 18 certificate of title but, upon transfer to another person, shall
- 19 promptly mail or deliver to the transferee or to the department
- 20 the certificate, if in the holder's possession, the affidavit,
- 21 and other documents required to be sent to the department by the
- 22 transferee.
- 23 (2) If the interest of the owner in a mobile MANUFACTURED
- 24 home is terminated by sale pursuant to THROUGH a levy of execu-
- 25 tion, attachment, or other process of a court, the transferee of
- 26 the owner's interest shall promptly mail or deliver to the
- 27 department the last certificate of title, if the transferee has

- 1 possession of POSSESSES it; an application for a new
- 2 certificate of title in the form prescribed by the department
- 3 PRESCRIBES; and an affidavit, upon a form prescribed by the
- 4 department PRESCRIBES, made by the officer of the court who con-
- 5 ducted the sale, setting forth the date of the sale, and the
- 6 name of the purchaser, and whether the officer has delivered the
- 7 certificate of title to the purchaser and OR, if not, the
- 8 reason delivery was not made and the then location of the cer-
- 9 tificate of title so far as known to the officer.
- 10 (3) A person holding a certificate of title where IF the
- 11 interest of the owner named in the certificate has been termi-
- 12 nated in the manner provided by subsection (1) or (2) shall mail
- 13 or deliver the certificate to the department upon its request.
- 14 The delivery of the certificate pursuant IN RESPONSE to the
- 15 request of the department does not affect the rights of the
- 16 person surrendering the certificate, and the action of the
- 17 department in issuing a new certificate of title is not conclu-
- 18 sive upon any ON THE rights of an owner or holder of a security
- 19 interest named in the old certificate.
- 20 (4) The department, upon receipt of an application for a new
- 21 certificate of title by a transferee in the manner provided by
- 22 subsection (1) or (2), with proof of the transfer, the required
- 23 fee, and any other documents required by law, shall issue a new
- 24 certificate of title in the name of the transferee as owner, set-
- 25 ting forth all security interests noted on the last certificate
- 26 of title as having priority over the security agreement so
- 27 enforced and shall mail or deliver the new certificate to the

- 1 owner. If the outstanding certificate of title is not delivered,
- 2 the department shall make demand for the outstanding certificate
- 3 of title from the holder.
- 4 Sec. 30f. The department shall retain and appropriately
- 5 file every surrendered certificate of title. The file shall be
- 6 maintained so as to permit IN A MANNER THAT PERMITS the tracing
- 7 of title of the -mobile MANUFACTURED home designated in a sur-
- 8 rendered certificate for a period of 10 years.
- 9 Sec. 30g. (1) The department may cancel or refuse to issue
- 10 a certificate of title IF 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 11 (a) If the THE department is satisfied that the certifi-
- 12 cate of title was fraudulently or erroneously issued.
- 13 (b) If the THE department determines that the holder of
- 14 the certificate has made or is making an unlawful use of the
- 15 certificate.
- 16 (c) If the THE department determines that the required fee
- 17 has not been paid and the fee is not paid upon reasonable notice
- 18 or demand.
- 19 (d) If the THE department is authorized under any other
- 20 ANOTHER provision of this act.
- 21 (e) Upon receipt of THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES notification
- 22 from another state or foreign country that a certificate of title
- 23 issued by the department has been surrendered by the owner in
- 24 conformity with the laws of the other state or foreign country.
- 25 (f) If it IT is shown by satisfactory evidence that deliv-
- 26 ery of a mobile MANUFACTURED home in the possession of a dealer

- 1 was not made to the applicant to whom the certificate was
- 2 issued.
- 3 (2) Before a cancellation under subsection (1)(a), (b), or
- 4 (d) is made, the person affected shall be given notice and an
- 5 opportunity to be heard.
- 6 Sec. 30h. The commission in consultation with the secretary
- 7 of state shall promulgate rules, which THAT shall further
- 8 define and distinguish between the term -mobile MANUFACTURED
- 9 home as used in this act and the term trailer coach as used in
- 10 the Michigan vehicle code, Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of
- 11 1949, being sections 257.1 to 257.923 of the Michigan Compiled
- 12 Laws 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 TO 257.923.
- 13 Sec. 31. A person who offers, sells, or purchases a
- 14 mobile MANUFACTURED home or equipment or a mobile
- 15 MANUFACTURED home site in violation of this act or the code may
- 16 have an action brought against him or her to rescind the transac-
- 17 tion and recover damages.
- 18 Sec. 38. (1) The department may issue an order to show
- 19 cause why an order imposing sanctions or penalties allowed under
- 20 this act should not be issued by the commission if the department
- 21 finds BOTH that the order is in the public interest -, and any
- 22 1 OR MORE of the following:
- 23 (a) An application filed pertaining to a license, a disclo-
- 24 sure statement, or a related document filed with the department
- 25 in connection with a -mobile MANUFACTURED home license -, is
- 26 incomplete in any A material respect or contains a statement

- 1 which THAT is false or misleading, in the light of the
- 2 circumstances under which it is made.
- 3 (b) A provision of this act, or a rule, order, or condition
- 4 lawfully imposed under this act, was not complied with or was
- 5 violated in connection with the offering by the person filing the
- 6 document; the developer, dealer, or operator; a partner, officer,
- 7 director, proprietor, or manager of the developer, dealer, or
- 8 operator; or a person directly or indirectly controlling, or
- 9 directly controlled by, the developer, dealer, or operator.
- 10 (c) The project worked or tended to work a fraud or decep-
- 11 tion or would so operate, or the project would create an unrea-
- 12 sonable risk to A prospective tenants TENANT, as defined by
- 13 rules promulgated by the commission.
- 14 (d) The developer, dealer, or operator; a partner, officer,
- 15 director, proprietor, or manager of the developer, dealer, or
- 16 operator; a person directly or indirectly controlling, or
- 17 directly controlled by, the developer, dealer, or operator; or a
- 18 person identified in the application for a license —, or IN a
- 19 disclosure statement —, was within the —past— 10 years
- 20 IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE DATE OF THE ORDER convicted of an
- 21 offense under this act, or is the subject of an administrative
- 22 order issued under this act, or had a civil judgment entered
- 23 against him or her as a result of a violation of this act or a
- 24 rule promulgated or order issued pursuant to UNDER this act,
- 25 and the department determines that the involvement of the person
- 26 in the sale or development of the project creates an unreasonable

- 1 risk to A prospective tenants TENANT or mobile A MANUFACTURED
- 2 home purchasers PURCHASER.
- 3 (e) The developer, dealer, or operator; a partner, officer,
- 4 director, proprietor, or manager of the developer, DEALER, OR
- 5 OPERATOR; a person directly controlling, or directly controlled
- 6 by, or indirectly the developer, dealer, or operator; or a person
- 7 identified in the application for a license —, or IN a disclo-
- 8 sure statement —, was convicted of a violation, or WAS the
- 9 subject of an administrative order or civil judgment as a result
- 10 of a violation, of a statute regulating the offering of securi-
- 11 ties or franchises or licensing or regulating builders, real
- 12 estate brokers, or real estate salespersons, or WAS CONVICTED of
- 13 A violation of the land sales act, Act No. 286 of the Public
- 14 Acts of 1972, being sections 565.801 to 565.835 of the Michigan
- 15 Compiled Laws 1972 PA 286, MCL 565.801 TO 565.835, or a rule
- 16 promulgated or an order issued under that act.
- 17 (f) The applicant's method of business, construction, devel-
- 18 opment, or sales includes or would include activities which
- 19 THAT are illegal.
- 20 (g) The applicant failed to pay the proper fee.
- 21 (h) The applicant failed to comply with the state warranty
- **22** laws.
- 23 (2) When IF it appears to the department that a person
- 24 engaged in an act or practice constituting a violation of this
- 25 act or a rule promulgated or order issued under this act, the
- 26 department may issue a notice to show cause why a cease and
- 27 desist order should not be issued.

- 1 (3) After 10 days' notice and opportunity for hearing, the
- 2 department may stop construction as to part or all of a project
- 3 if continuing the building will cause irreparable harm to resi-
- 4 dents and prospective residents of the project.
- 5 Sec. 43. (1) If, after notice and a hearing as provided in
- 6 the administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the
- 7 Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the
- 8 Michigan Compiled Laws 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328, a
- 9 person is determined to have violated this act, the commission
- 10 may impose 1 or more of the following penalties:
- 11 (a) Censure.
- 12 (b) Probation.
- 13 (c) Placement of a limitation on a license.
- 14 (d) Suspension of a license. The commission may request the
- 15 appointment of a receiver when taking action under this
- 16 subdivision.
- 17 (e) Revocation of a license. The commission may request the
- 18 appointment of a receiver when taking action under this
- 19 subdivision.
- 20 (f) Denial of a license.
- 21 (g) A civil fine of not more than \$10,000.00.
- (h) A requirement that restitution be made.
- 23 (2) A fine collected under this section shall be deposited
- 24 with the state treasurer and credited to the -mobile home-
- 25 MANUFACTURED HOUSING commission fund.
- 26 (3) This section does not prohibit actions being taken under
- 27 other sections of this act.

- 1 (4) The pursuit in court of the lawful rights of a licensee
- 2 does not constitute a violation of this act, regardless of the
- 3 outcome of the court action.
- 4 Enacting section 1. Section 49 of the mobile home commis-
- **5** sion act, 1987 PA 96, MCL 125.2349, is repealed.