

# HOUSE BILL No. 4876

June 24, 2003, Introduced by Rep. Richardville and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A bill to amend 1987 PA 96, entitled  
"The mobile home commission act,"  
by amending the title and sections 30c and 30g (MCL 125.2330c and  
125.2330g) and by adding section 30i.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

### TITLE

An act to create a mobile home commission; to prescribe its  
powers and duties and those of local governments; to provide for  
a mobile home code and the licensure, regulation, construction,  
operation, and management of mobile home parks, the licensure and  
regulation of retail sales dealers, warranties of mobile homes,  
and service practices of dealers; to provide for the titling of  
mobile homes; **to impose a transfer tax; to provide for the**  
**disposition of the transfer tax;** to prescribe the powers and  
duties of certain agencies and departments; to provide remedies

1 and penalties; to declare the act to be remedial; to repeal this  
2 act on a specific date; and to repeal ~~certain~~ acts and parts of  
3 acts.

4       Sec. 30c. (1) If the owner of a mobile home transfers or  
5 assigns the owner's title or interest to the mobile home, the  
6 owner shall indorse on the back of the certificate of title an  
7 assignment of the mobile home with warranty of title with a  
8 statement of all security interests in the mobile home, and shall  
9 cause the certificate to be mailed or delivered to the department  
10 or to the purchaser or transferee at the time of the delivery to  
11 the purchaser or transferee of the mobile home.

12       (2) Upon the delivery of a mobile home and the transfer,  
13 sale, or assignment of the title or interest in a mobile home,  
14 the effective date of the transfer of title or interest shall be  
15 the date of execution of either the application for title or the  
16 certificate of title.

17       (3) The purchaser or transferee, unless the purchaser or  
18 transferee is a licensed dealer, shall cause to be presented to  
19 the department the certificate of title accompanied by the  
20 applicable fee, as follows:

21       (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b) or (c), \$45.00.

22       (b) Except as provided in subdivision (c), \$15.00, if the  
23 sale, assignment, or other transfer will require the addition or  
24 deletion from the certificate of title of any of the following:

25       (i) The owner's spouse.

26       (ii) A person related to the owner within the fourth degree  
27 of consanguinity as computed by the civil law method.

1       (iii) A person related to the owner's spouse within the  
2 fourth degree of consanguinity as computed by the civil law  
3 method.

4       (c) Any other lesser amount established pursuant to  
5 section 9(5).

6       (4) Upon presentation of the certificate of title accompanied  
7 by the applicable fee, **upon payment of the transfer tax imposed**  
8 **under section 30i, and upon the filing with the department of a**  
9 **valuation affidavit described in section 30i**, a new certificate  
10 of title shall be issued. A certificate of title issued under  
11 subsection (3) and this subsection shall be mailed or delivered  
12 to the owner or any other person the owner may direct in a  
13 separate instrument in a form as prescribed by the department.

14       (5) If a security interest is reserved or created at the time  
15 of the transfer, the parties shall comply with section 30d.

16       (6) If the transferee of a mobile home is a mobile home  
17 dealer who holds the mobile home for resale, the dealer shall not  
18 be required to forward the certificate of title to the  
19 department, but the dealer shall retain possession of the  
20 assigned certificate of title. Upon transfer of the dealer's  
21 title or interest to another person, the dealer shall execute and  
22 acknowledge an assignment and warranty of title upon the  
23 certificate of title and deliver it to the person to whom the  
24 transfer is made if the person is a licensed dealer; otherwise  
25 application for a new title shall be made by the transferor as  
26 provided in section 30a(1).

27       Sec. 30g. (1) The department may cancel or refuse to issue a

1 certificate of title:

2 (a) If the department is satisfied that the certificate of  
3 title was fraudulently or erroneously issued.

4 (b) If the department determines that the holder of the  
5 certificate has made or is making an unlawful use of the  
6 certificate.

7 (c) If the department determines that the required fee has  
8 not been paid and the fee is not paid upon reasonable notice or  
9 demand.

10 (d) If the department is authorized under any other provision  
11 of this act.

12 (e) Upon receipt of notification from another state or  
13 foreign country that a certificate of title issued by the  
14 department has been surrendered by the owner in conformity with  
15 the laws of the other state or foreign country.

16 (f) If it is shown by satisfactory evidence that delivery of  
17 a mobile home in the possession of a dealer was not made to the  
18 applicant to whom the certificate was issued.

19 **(g) If the department determines that the transfer tax under**  
20 **section 30i has not been paid or has been underpaid or the**  
21 **valuation affidavit described in section 30i contains fraudulent**  
22 **or erroneous information.**

23 (2) Before a cancellation under subsection (1)(a), (b), or  
24 (d) is made, the person affected shall be given notice and an  
25 opportunity to be heard.

26 **Sec. 30i. (1) Beginning January 1, 2003, a state transfer**  
27 **tax is hereby imposed on the sale or transfer of a mobile home in**

1 this state.

2 (2) The transfer tax levied under subsection (1) is levied at  
3 a rate of 3% of the total value of the mobile home being  
4 transferred. The transfer tax shall be paid to the department  
5 when the certificate of title is transferred to the new owner.

6 (3) The transfer tax imposed under this section shall be  
7 collected by the department and not less than 1 time each month  
8 shall be forwarded to the state treasurer for credit to the state  
9 school aid fund established in section 11 of article IX of the  
10 state constitution of 1963.

11 (4) As used in this section:

12 (a) "Valuation affidavit" means an affidavit developed and  
13 supplied by the department that provides for all of the  
14 following:

15 (i) Name and address of the seller or transferor.

16 (ii) Name and address of the buyer or transferee.

17 (iii) Description of the mobile home contained in the  
18 certificate of title.

19 (iv) Value of the mobile home being transferred or sold.

20 (v) Any other information required by the department.

21 (b) "Value" means the current or fair market worth in terms  
22 of legal monetary exchange at the time of sale or transfer.