

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, MARCH 22, 1993

AN ACT

1 Requiring all principal owners of manufactured housing
2 communities located in this Commonwealth to register annually
3 with the Department of Community Affairs.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Short title.

7 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Manufactured
8 Housing Registration Act.

9 Section 2. Definitions.

10 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
11 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
12 context clearly indicates otherwise:

13 "Department." The Department of Community Affairs of the
14 Commonwealth.

15 "Manufactured home." A transportable single-family dwelling
16 unit containing plumbing, heating and/or cooling and electrical
17 systems intended for permanent occupancy constructed as a single

1 unit or as two or more units designed to be joined into one
2 integral unit which is built on a permanent chassis and designed
3 to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation
4 when connected to the required utilities.

5 "Manufactured housing community." Any site, lot, field or
6 tract of land, privately or publicly owned or operated, upon
7 which three or more manufactured homes, occupied for dwelling or
8 sleeping purposes, are or are intended to be located, regardless
9 of whether or not a charge is made for the accommodation.

10 "Principal owner." A person having majority or controlling
11 interest in any site, lot, field or tract of land upon which a
12 manufactured housing community is established or is intended to
13 be located.

14 Section 3. Manufactured housing community registration form.

15 A principal owner of a manufactured housing community in this
16 Commonwealth shall be required to fill out a manufactured
17 housing community registration form prepared by the department.

18 Section 4. Contents of form.

19 The manufactured housing community registration form shall
20 include, but not be limited to, the following information:

21 (1) The name of the manufactured housing community and
22 the county and municipality in which it is located.

23 (2) The name, address and telephone number of the
24 principal owner of the manufactured housing community.

25 (3) The names and addresses of anyone having a financial
26 interest in the manufactured housing community.

27 (4) The number of acres in the manufactured housing
28 community.

29 (5) The number of developed homesites in the
30 manufactured housing community, including the number

1 currently occupied and currently vacant.

2 (6) The monthly rent charged.

3 (7) A list of any additional charges and fees and the
4 amount of same.

5 Section 5. Filing.

6 The registration form shall be filed with the department
7 annually and shall include a filing fee of \$3 for each developed
8 homesite located in the manufactured housing community.

9 Section 6. Transfer of funds.

10 All funds received by the department from manufactured
11 housing communities filing the annual registration form and the
12 annual filing fee per homesite shall be submitted by the
13 department to the State Treasurer to be placed in the restricted
14 account established for the operation of the Office of the
15 Manufactured Housing Ombudsman and the Manufactured Housing
16 Hearing Board.

17 Section 7. Regulations.

18 The department shall promulgate rules and regulations to
19 carry out the provisions of this act.

20 Section 8. Enforcement.

21 (a) Civil penalty.--A civil penalty of \$500 shall be
22 assessed on a principal owner for failure to comply with the
23 provisions of this act.

24 (b) Rental charges.--No manufactured home community shall be
25 entitled to levy rental charges for any space located in the
26 community unless they have complied with the provisions of this
27 act.

28 (c) Attorney General.--The Attorney General shall enforce
29 the provisions of this section.

30 Section 9. Effective date.

1 This act shall take effect in 30 days.