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Senate Bill 1031

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 1031 as introduced 6-29-90:

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to allow the issuance of permits to mobile home transport companies, manufacturers, or dealers for the movement of prebuilt housing modules or mobile homes up to a width of 16 feet over all highways in the State. Currently, 16-foot-wide mobile homes or housing modules are allowed only in the Upper Peninsula. (Under the Code, mobile homes generally cannot exceed "a realistic body width of over 100 inches at base rail", although permits may be issued throughout the State for homes as wide as 14-1/3 feet plus normal appurtenances of up to six inches or an eave of up to two feet.)

The bill also would redefine "mobile home" as a prebuilt housing module or as the term is defined in the Mobile Home Commission Act. That Act defines "mobile home" as "a structure, transportable in 1 or more sections, which is built on a chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without permanent foundation, when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, and electrical systems contained in the structure". The Vehicle Code currently defines "mobile home" as "a prebuilt housing module or a home which is designed to be transported by a motor vehicle upon a public highway and designed, equipped, and used for sleeping, eating, and living quarters, or is intended to be used for these purposes".

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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