

Legislative Analysis



INCLUDE RENTED MOBILE HOMES IN RENTAL HOUSING INSPECTION PROGRAM

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Committee: Intergovernmental and Regional Affairs

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4801 AS INTRODUCED 4-21-09

The bill would amend the Mobile Home Commission Act to allow local units of government to expand their rental housing inspection programs to include the inspection of rented mobile homes.

The bill specifies that a local government could propose and implement a standard to inspect a mobile home for safety (whether it is located within a mobile home park or a seasonal mobile home park, or is outside a park), if the mobile home being inspected is being rented to a tenant by its owner. If a local government implemented safety inspections for rented mobile homes, the period between inspections could not be longer than four years.

Under the bill, a local government could propose a means of determining which mobile homes were being rented, including the imposition of a licensing requirement for renting mobile homes to tenants.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no significant fiscal impact on the Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth (Bureau of Construction Codes). The bill would increase expenditures of local governments to the extent that a local unit exercises its option, under the bill, to require inspections of manufactured (mobile) homes that are rented. Any costs of these activities could be supported by license and inspection fees imposed by the local unit.

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