

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, petition of Brian S. Dempsey for legislation to further regulate manufactured housing communities. Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMUNITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 32B of chapter 140 of the General Laws,
2 as appearing in the 1994 Official Edition, is hereby amended in
3 the second sentence by striking out the word "certificate" and
4 inserting in place thereof the following word:— "certification".

1 SECTION 2. The second paragraph of section 32E of said
2 chapter 140, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out
3 the words "one hundred dollars for each day in which such viola-
4 tion occurs or continues" and inserting in place thereof the
5 following words:— "not less than ten nor more than one hundred
6 dollars".

1 SECTION 3. Section 32H of said chapter 140, as so
2 appearing, is hereby amended by striking the section in its
3 entirety and inserting in place thereof the following section:—

4 Section 32H. An applicant for an initial license under section
5 thirty-two B for a manufactured housing community which has
6 not been equipped with the buildings, structures, fixtures, and
7 facilities necessary from a health and safety standpoint to con-
8 duct a manufactured housing community shall file with the board
9 a plan showing the buildings, structures, fixtures and facilities
10 and the proposed set-up which he plans to have upon said

11 premises if and when the license may issue, thereupon, the
12 board, with the approval of the state department of environ-
13 mental quality engineering, shall grant a manufactured housing
14 community license upon the condition that such license shall
15 issue upon the completion of the premises according to the plans,
16 providing that the proposed manufactured housing community
17 will be in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules
18 and regulations. Such conditional license may be suspended or
19 revoked in accordance with the provisions of said section thirty-
20 two B.

1 SECTION 4. Paragraph (3) of section 32L of said chapter 140,
2 as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the words
3 “for the first time” the following words:— “or has been substan-
4 tially improved by expending not less than two thousand five
5 hundred dollars on the site and utility improvements.”

1 SECTION 5. Section 32M of said chapter 140, as so
2 appearing, is hereby amended in the first sentence by striking the
3 words “if they meet the current rules of the community” and
4 inserting in place thereof the following words:— “if the prospec-
5 tive purchaser meets the occupancy and credit requirements of
6 the community operator and the home complies with the current
7 rules.”

1 SECTION 6. Paragraph (c) of section 32R of said chapter 140,
2 as so appearing, is hereby amended in clause (1) by inserting
3 after the words “the purchase” the following words:— “and shall
4 participate in said purchase.”