

HOUSE BILL No. 6187

November 13, 1996, Introduced by Rep. Randall and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Affairs.

A bill to amend section 28 of Act No. 96 of the Public Acts of 1987, entitled

"The mobile home commission act,"

as amended by Act No. 241 of the Public Acts of 1993, being section 125.2328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Section 1. Section 28 of Act No. 96 of the Public Acts of
 1987, as amended by Act No. 241 of the Public Acts of 1993, being
 section 125.2328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to
 read as follows:

5 Sec. 28. (1) An owner or operator of a mobile home park or 6 seasonal mobile home park shall not engage, or permit an employee 7 or agent to engage, in any of the following unfair or deceptive 8 methods, acts, or practices: (a) <u>Directly</u> EXCEPT FOR A FEE THAT IS REFUNDED WITHIN 2
 2 YEARS, DIRECTLY or indirectly charging or collecting from a
 3 person an entrance fee.

4 (b) Requiring a person to directly or indirectly purchase a 5 mobile home from another person as a condition of entrance to, or 6 lease or rental of, a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home 7 park space.

8 (c) Directly or indirectly charging or collecting from a9 person a refundable or nonrefundable exit fee.

(d) Requiring or coercing a person to purchase, rent, or
11 lease goods or services from another person as a condition of any
12 of the following:

13 (i) Entering into a park or lease.

14 (*ii*) Selling a mobile home through the park owner or opera15 tor, or his or her agent or designee upon leaving a mobile home
16 park or seasonal mobile home park.

17 (*iii*) Renting space in a mobile home park or seasonal mobile18 home park.

(e) Directly or indirectly charging or collecting from a 20 person money or other thing of value for electric, fuel, or water 21 service without the use of that service by a resident or tenant 22 being first accurately and consistently measured, unless that 23 service is included in the rental charge as an incident of 24 tenancy.

(f) Conspiring, combining, agreeing, aiding, or abetting in
26 the employment of a method, act, or practice that violates this
27 act.

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(g) Renting or leasing a mobile home or site in a mobile
 home park or seasonal mobile home park without offering a written
 lease.

4 (h) Subject to section 28a, prohibiting a resident from 5 selling his or her mobile home on-site for a price determined by 6 that resident, if the purchaser qualifies for tenancy and the 7 mobile home meets the conditions of written park rules or 8 regulations. This subdivision does not apply to seasonal mobile 9 home parks.

(i) Subject to reasonable mobile home park or seasonal numbile home park rules governing the location, size, and style of exterior television antenna, prohibiting a person from installing or maintaining an exterior television antenna on a mobile home within the park unless the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park provides park residents, without charge, a central television antenna for UHF-VHF reception.

17 (2) A tenant of a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home
18 park may bring an action on his or her own behalf for a violation
19 of this section.

(3) If the commission has reason to suspect that the owner a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park is engaged in conduct that violates existing water utility tariffs or qualifies the owner of a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park for regulation as a water utility, the commission shall promptly send a written report of the alleged violation to the Michigan public service commission.

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