## SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 6003

A bill to amend 1987 PA 96, entitled "The mobile home commission act,"

by amending section 16 (MCL 125.2316), as amended by 2015 PA 40.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 16. (1) No later than January 1, 2023, after consultation
- 2 with the commission, consumer advocates, legal aid groups,
- 3 representatives of the manufactured housing industry, residential
- 4 groups, local governments, and other interested parties, the
- 5 department shall revise and promulgate rules governing the
- 6 licensure of owners of mobile home parks and seasonal mobile home
- 7 parks, including determining standards to meet the licensing
- 8 requirements of this section.
- 9 (2) (1) A person shall not operate own a mobile home park or





- 1 seasonal mobile home park without a license. The If the department
- 2 determines that an owner of a mobile home park or seasonal mobile
- 3 home park is not licensed, the department shall notify that person
- 4 of the lack of license and the department shall levy a fine as it
- 5 deems appropriate under this act. A person who has applied to the
- 6 department for a license is not in violation of this subsection
- 7 unless the department has denied the person's license application
- 8 and the person has exhausted all the available appeals related to
- 9 the department denying the license application. A license issued by
- 10 the department on or before October 1, 2021 expires on December 31,
- 11 2023. Beginning on January 1, 2024, the term of a license is 3-2
- 12 years. The department shall within 60 days of receiving a completed
- 13 license application issue a license only if all of the following
- 14 requirements are met:
- 15 (a) The applicant submits a complete license application  $\overline{\cdot}$
- 16 that meets all of the following requirements:
- 17 (i) Shows the financial ability of the applicant to own and
- 18 operate the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park by
- 19 submitting documentation that demonstrates the applicant's
- 20 financial viability, such as a financial disclosure form prescribed
- 21 by the department, bank records, a letter of credit, proof of a
- 22 line of credit, financing documents, a statement from a certified
- 23 public accountant, or other information demonstrating that the
- 24 applicant is able to operate and maintain the mobile home park or
- 25 seasonal mobile home park.
- 26 (ii) Affirms the applicant's ability to comply with the
- 27 applicable laws, rules, and regulations of this state.
- 28 (iii) Affirms that the applicant, any general partner, managing
- 29 member, subsidiary, affiliate, or other person controlled by or

- 1 under common control with the applicant has not been denied
- 2 licensure for a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park or
- 3 had a license to own a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home
- 4 park suspended, canceled, or revoked by a federal, state, or local
- 5 agency within the past 7 years, or demonstrates that a suspended,
- 6 canceled, or revoked license has since been reinstated or reissued.
- 7 (iv) Affirms that the applicant and any person with decision-
- 8 or policy-making authority for the applicant, or who is responsible
- 9 for the applicant's day-to-day operation of the mobile home park or
- 10 seasonal mobile home park, has not been convicted of a crime
- 11 involving fraud, deceit, or nonfeasance within the past 7 years.
- 12 (v) Affirms that the applicant and any person with decision-
- 13 or policy-making authority for the applicant, or any person who is
- 14 responsible for the applicant's day-to-day operation of the mobile
- 15 home park or seasonal mobile home park, does not have a record of
- 16 unjustifiable rent increases within the past 7 years that prohibits
- 17 the applicant and any person with decision- or policy-making
- 18 authority for the applicant, or any person who is responsible for
- 19 the applicant's day-to-day operation of the mobile home park or
- 20 seasonal mobile home park, from obtaining a license to own a mobile
- 21 home park or seasonal mobile home park.
- 22 (b) Certifications and recommendations of appropriate agencies
- 23 and local governments are submitted to and approved by the
- 24 department.Apart from a license under this act, the applicant has
- 25 obtained all other required governmental certifications and
- 26 approvals, including approvals from appropriate agencies and local
- 27 governments that are necessary to operate a mobile home park or
- 28 seasonal mobile home park.
- 29 (c) The applicant pays the fee set forth in subsection (4). (6)

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- (d) The mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park was 2 approved as being in substantial compliance after its most recent 3 inspection under section 17.
  - (2) The commission shall promulgate rules to do all of the following:
    - (a) Provide standards and procedures for the commission to determine whether a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park that is not in substantial compliance with the rules promulgated under sections 5 and 6 is a distressed park. The standards and procedures shall provide the owner with an opportunity for an evidentiary hearing and require the commission to consider at least all of the following:
    - (i) The length of time the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park has not been in substantial compliance with the rules promulgated under sections 5 and 6.
  - (ii) Whether the owner or operator was notified and had sufficient opportunity to bring the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park into substantial compliance.
  - (iii) Any imminent threat to the health or safety of the residents of the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park.
  - (iv) Whether the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park has been or is likely to be abandoned by the owner or operator.
  - (b) Require the owner of a distressed mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park to post financial assurance in the form of a bond, cash deposit, or other financial arrangement to ensure the repair and cleanup of the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park, including the repair of substandard or noncomplying park-owned utility systems and the removal and disposal of

- 1 abandoned mobile homes, scrap material, or other waste.
- 2 (3) Not more than 180 days after the effective date of the
- 3 amendatory act that added this subsection, the commission shall
- 4 submit a report on progress on rule promulgation under subsection
- 5 (2) to the standing committees of the senate and house of
- 6 representatives with primary responsibility for legislation
- 7 affecting mobile home parks.
- 8 (e) Beginning on January 1, 2023, the applicant has been
- 9 previously issued a provisional license to own the mobile home park
- 10 or seasonal mobile home park.
- 11 (3) The department may require a signed affidavit from the
- 12 applicant that attests to the veracity of the information in
- 13 subsection (2)(a)(i) to (v) and shall deny the application if the
- 14 applicant does not meet the requirements of subsection (2) (a) (i) to
- 15 (v).
- 16 (4) Beginning on January 1, 2023, a person that has not been
- 17 previously licensed under subsection (2) and seeks a license to own
- 18 a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park shall apply for a
- 19 provisional license to own a mobile home park or seasonal mobile
- 20 home park. The applicant must be issued a provisional license
- 21 before taking ownership of a mobile home park or seasonal mobile
- 22 home park. The provisional license is valid for 2 years and must
- 23 not be extended or renewed. The department shall issue a
- 24 provisional license under this subsection if the applicant meets
- 25 the requirements of subsection (2)(a) to (c). A provisional license
- 26 issued under this subsection entitles the holder of the provisional
- 27 license to all of the rights, privileges, requirements, and
- 28 penalties that are applicable to the holder of a license issued
- 29 under subsection (2).

- 1 (5) Within 1 year of the issuance of a provisional license
- 2 under subsection (4), the department shall inspect and identify any
- 3 violation of this act regarding the ownership or operation of a
- 4 mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park by the owner of that
- 5 mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park issued a provisional
- 6 license under subsection (4). The department shall notify the owner
- 7 of the mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park issued a
- 8 provisional license of any violation found during the inspection
- 9 and provide a notice as required under section 37.
- 10 (6) (4) The fee fees for a license to operate issued under
- 11 subsection (2) are as follows unless a lesser amount is established
- 12 under section 9(5):
- 13 (a) Until September 30, 2021, as follows:
- 14 (i) To own a mobile home park is \$225.00, plus an additional
- 15 \$3.00 for each home site in excess of 25 home sites in the mobile
- 16 home park. , or any lesser amount established pursuant to section
- 17 9(5). The fee for a license to operate
- 18 (ii) To own a seasonal mobile home park is \$120.00, plus an
- 19 additional \$1.50 for each home site in excess of 25 home sites in
- 20 the seasonal mobile home park. , or any lesser amount established
- 21 pursuant to section 9(5).
- 22 (b) Beginning on October 1, 2021 through December 30, 2023, as
- 23 follows:
- 24 (i) To own a mobile home park is \$350.00, plus an additional
- 25 \$4.75 for each home site in excess of 25 home sites in the mobile
- 26 home park.
- (ii) To own a seasonal mobile home park is \$200.00, plus an
- 28 additional \$2.25 for each home site in excess of 25 home sites in
- 29 the seasonal mobile home park.

- 1 (c) Beginning on December 31, 2023, as follows:
- 2 (i) To own a mobile home park is \$450.00, plus an additional
- 3 \$5.25 for each home site in excess of 25 home sites in the mobile
- 4 home park.
- 5 (ii) To own a seasonal mobile home park is \$250.00, plus an
- 6 additional \$2.75 for each home site in excess of 25 home sites in
- 7 the seasonal mobile home park.
- 8 (7) Beginning on January 1, 2023, the fee for a provisional
- 9 license issued under subsection (4) to own a mobile home park is
- 10 \$450.00, plus an additional \$5.25 for each home site in excess of
- 11 25 home sites in the mobile home park, or any lesser amount
- 12 established under section 9(5). Beginning on January 1, 2023, the
- 13 fee for a provisional license issued under subsection (4) to own a
- 14 seasonal mobile home park is \$250.00, plus an additional \$2.75 for
- 15 each home site in excess of 25 home sites in the seasonal mobile
- 16 home park, or any lesser amount established under section 9(5).
- 17 (8) (5) If a person submits a timely application for renewal
- 18 of a license issued under subsection (2) and pays the appropriate
- 19 fee, the person may continue to operate own a mobile home park or
- 20 seasonal mobile home park unless notified that the application for
- 21 renewal is not approved.
- 22 (9) An unlicensed owner of a mobile home park or seasonal
- 23 mobile home park shall not collect rent or take any action for
- 24 possession against residents. The unlicensed owner of a mobile home
- 25 park or seasonal mobile home park may continue to collect utility
- 26 service fees, if required under the rental agreement. If the tenant
- 27 pays the utility service fees directly to the utility service
- 28 provider, the tenant must continue to pay the utility service fees
- 29 directly to the utility service provider. No rent or fees may be

- 1 recovered by an owner of a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home
- 2 park for any period of time the mobile home park is unlicensed. A
- 3 tenant of a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park may bring
- 4 an action on his or her own behalf for a violation of this
- 5 subsection.
- 6 (10) (6)—A campground that is currently licensed under
- 7 sections 12501 to 12516 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL
- **8** 333.12501 to 333.12516, and was previously licensed under the
- 9 former licensing provisions of 1959 PA 243, MCL 125.1035 to
- 10 125.1043, as a seasonal trailer park may apply for and shall must
- 11 be granted a license as a seasonal mobile home park under this act
- 12 if the campground meets all other requirements for licensure under
- 13 this act as a seasonal mobile home park.
- 14 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 15 unless all of the following bills of the 100th Legislature are
- 16 enacted into law:
- 17 (a) House Bill No. 6004.
- 18 (b) House Bill No. 6005.
- 19 (c) House Bill No. 6006.
- 20 (d) House Bill No. 6007.
- 21 (e) House Bill No. 6008.