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House Bill 6239 as introduced Sponsor: Rep. Jeff Yaroch Committee: Regulatory Reform

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SUMMARY:

House Bill 6239 would amend the Mobile Home Commission Act to increase the size of Manufactured Housing Commission from nine members to 11 members and to change the requirements for serving on the commission. The bill would eliminate two members who respectively represent financial institutions and mobile home manufacturers. In addition, a single member who now must be an elected local official would be replaced with three members who are specified kinds of elected local officials. Finally, three members who now must be operators (two) and residents (one) of mobile home parks would be replaced with five members who are operators (three) and residents (two) of parks of specified sizes.

The Manufactured Housing Commission is an entity in the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)¹ whose members are appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The commission is responsible for establishing a uniform policy related to manufactured housing businesses and parks, including seasonal parks. It has the authority to review local ordinances related to manufactured housing and to receive complaints, hold hearings, and conduct investigations to determine compliance with the Mobile Home Commission Act and its rules.

The Manufactured Housing Commission was created in the Department of Commerce in 1987 as the Mobile Home Commission, with 11 members, and that is still the language of the law that the bill would amend. However, the Department of Commerce no longer exists as such due to executive branch reorganization, and both the commission's name² and its membership³ have similarly been changed by executive order. The Manufactured Housing Commission, as it is now called, currently consists of the following nine members:

- A licensed mobile home dealer.
- A representative of an organization whose membership consists of mobile home residents.
- A representative of organized labor.
- A representative of financial institutions.
- A manufacturer of mobile homes.
- An elected official of a local government.
- One resident of a licensed mobile home park.
- Two operators of licensed mobile home parks.

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¹ https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90501 90626-249741--,00.html

² ERO 1997-12: https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/mcl/pdf/mcl-445-2002.pdf

³ ERO 2010-5: https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/mcl/pdf/mcl-125-2291.pdf

Under the bill, beginning within 30 days after the bill's effective date, the commission would consist of the following 11 members:

- A licensed mobile home dealer (as currently).
- A representative of an organization whose membership consists of mobile home residents (as currently).
- A representative of organized labor (as currently).
- An elected official from a group that represents townships.
- An elected official from a group that represents cities and villages.
- An elected official from a group that represents counties.
- One resident of a licensed mobile home park with fewer than 100 sites.
- One resident of a licensed mobile home park with 100 or more sites.
- One operator of a licensed mobile home park with fewer than 100 sites.
- Two operators of a licensed mobile home park with 100 or more sites.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 6239 would not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs or on any other unit of state or local government.

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