FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 2655

C 135 L 94 Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Revising provisions relating to ownership of manufactured homes.

By House Committee on Trade, Economic Development & Housing (originally sponsored by Representatives Shin, H. Myers and Forner; by request of Department of Community Development).

House Committee on Trade, Economic Development & Housing Senate Committee on Labor & Commerce

Background: During the 1990 legislative session, the Legislature transferred the responsibility of administering the titling of manufactured homes from the Department of Licensing to the Department of Community Development. The Department of Licensing continues to administer the titles to manufactured homes through an interagency agreement between the two agencies. Ownership of a manufactured home is still largely treated like the ownership of a vehicle rather than ownership of a home.

A task force has been working on developing a new system of obtaining and transferring ownership of manufactured homes.

Summary: The Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development is required to work with the Department of Revenue and the Department of Licensing to develop proposed legislation that treats the ownership of manufactured homes more like housing than like vehicles.

The proposed legislation must treat manufactured housing as real property to the greatest extent possible, with the program being administered at the local level. The agencies must consult with affected interest groups, including local government officials and the Affordable Housing Advisory Board, when developing the proposed legislation. The agencies must report their findings and submit the proposed legislation to the House Trade, Economic Development and Housing Committee and the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee by December 1, 1994.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 96 0 Senate 47 2 Effective: June 9, 1994