
SENATE BILL 5991

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1 AN ACT Relating to mobile home and manufactured home parks; adding
2 a new section to chapter 35.63 RCW; adding a new section to chapter
3 35A.63 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 36.70 RCW; and creating a
4 new section.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that mobile home and
7 manufactured home parks provide a valuable affordable housing resource
8 throughout the state.

9 The legislature further finds that many mobile home and
10 manufactured home parks are vulnerable to the pressures of
11 redevelopment and conversions of the land to other uses, and that the
12 most vulnerable parks are those containing older mobile homes that are
13 incapable of being moved.

14 The legislature further finds that these conversions and park
15 closures often cause residents to lose the equity in their home, and
16 that other severe hardships, including homelessness often result.

17 It is therefore the intent of this act to require local government
18 to consider these impacts in their planning process and to devise

1 positive steps to enhance the stability of mobile home and manufactured
2 home parks in their jurisdiction.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 35.63 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) Every city shall establish land use regulations that recognize
6 that existing mobile home and manufactured home parks offer a unique
7 and important form of housing and that facilitate the preservation,
8 continued viability, maintenance, and upgrading of these parks.

9 (2) Every city shall examine the need for the establishment of
10 specific land use zones for mobile home and manufactured home parks.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 35A.63 RCW
12 to read as follows:

13 (1) Every code city shall establish land use regulations that
14 recognize that existing mobile home and manufactured home parks offer
15 a unique and important form of housing, and that facilitate the
16 preservation, continued viability, maintenance, and upgrading of these
17 parks.

18 (2) Every code city shall examine the need for the establishment of
19 specific land use zones for mobile home and manufactured home parks.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 36.70 RCW
21 to read as follows:

22 (1) Every county shall establish land use regulations that
23 recognize that existing mobile home and manufactured home parks offer
24 a unique and important form of housing, and that facilitate the
25 preservation, continued viability, maintenance, and upgrading of these
26 parks.

27 (2) Every county shall examine the need for the establishment of
28 specific land use zones for mobile home and manufactured home parks.

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