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HOUSE BILL 2758

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to mobile or manufactured homes; amending RCW
- 2 43.63B.010, 43.63B.060, 35.63.110, 35A.63.100, 36.70.750, 46.70.011,
- 3 18.85.010, 18.85.330, 82.45.032, 65.20.910, 43.22.440, 46.04.302, and
- 4 65.20.020; adding new sections to chapter 43.63B RCW; adding a new
- 5 section to chapter 36.70A RCW; creating new sections; and providing an
- 6 effective date.
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 8 PART I
- 9 INSTALLER CERTIFICATION AMENDMENTS
- 10 **Sec. 101.** RCW 43.63B.010 and 1994 c 284 s 15 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
- 12 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 13 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 14 (1) "Authorized representative" means an employee of a state 15 agency, city, or county acting on behalf of the department.
- 16 (2) "Certified manufactured home installer" means a person who is

17 in the business of installing mobile or manufactured homes and who has

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- 1 been issued a certificate by the department as provided in this 2 chapter.
- 3 (3) "Department" means the department of community, trade, and 4 economic development.
- 5 (4) "Director" means the director of community, trade, and economic 6 development.
- 7 (5) "Manufactured home" means a single-family dwelling built in 8 accordance with the department of housing and urban development 9 manufactured home construction and safety standards act, which is a 10 national, preemptive building code.
- 11 (6) "Mobile or manufactured home installation" means all on-site 12 work necessary for the installation of a manufactured home, including:
 - (a) Construction of the foundation system;
- 14 (b) Installation of the support piers <u>and earthquake resistant</u> 15 <u>bracing system;</u>
 - (c) Required connection to foundation system and support piers;
- 17 (d) Skirting;

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- 18 (e) Connections to the on-site water and sewer systems that are 19 necessary for the normal operation of the home; and
- 20 (f) Extension of the pressure relief valve for the water heater.
- 21 (7) "Manufactured home standards" means the manufactured home 22 construction and safety standards as promulgated by the United States 23 department of housing and urban development (HUD).
- 24 (8) "Mobile home" means a factory-built dwelling built prior to 25 June 15, 1976, to standards other than the HUD code, and acceptable 26 under applicable state codes in effect at the time of construction or 27 introduction of the home into the state. Mobile homes have not been 28 built since introduction of the HUD manufactured home construction and 29 safety standards act.
- (9) "Training course" means the education program administered by the department, or the education course administered by an approved educational provider, as a prerequisite to taking the examination for certification.
- 34 (10) "Approved educational provider" means an organization approved
 35 by the department to provide education and training of manufactured
 36 home installers.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 102. A new section is added to chapter 43.63B RCW to read as follows:

The department shall adopt rules to establish and administer a process of approving educational providers as an alternative to the department training course.

4 **Sec. 103.** RCW 43.63B.060 and 1994 c 284 s 20 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

Any local government mobile or manufactured home installation 6 7 application and permit shall state either the name and registration 8 number of the contractor or licensed manufactured home dealer or the certification identification number of the certified manufactured home 9 installer supervising such installation. A local government may not 10 issue ((a permit to install)) final approval for the installation of a 11 manufactured home unless((: (1) The installer submits a copy of the 12 13 certificate of manufactured home installation to the local government; 14 or (2) work is being performed that does not require a certified installer. When work must be performed by a certified manufactured 15 16 home installer, no work may commence until)) the certified installer or the installer's agent has posted ((or otherwise made available, with 17 18 the inspection record card)) at the set-up site((, a copy of the 19 certified)) the manufactured home installer's ((certificate of)) certification number and has identified the work being performed on the 20 manufactured home installation on a form prescribed by the department. 21

NEW SECTION. Sec. 104. A new section is added to chapter 43.63B RCW to read as follows:

24 The department shall, by January 1, 1999, prepare a written 25 training course and examination to be administered to all applicants 26 for manufactured home inspector certification.

27 After December 1, 1999, a local government building inspector shall 28 not inspect a manufactured home installation unless certified by the 29 department. The department shall charge fees as provided in RCW 30 43.63B.070.

PART II

ZONING AMENDMENTS TO ALLOW MANUFACTURED

HOMES IN ALL SINGLE-FAMILY ZONES

NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. The legislature finds that limiting competition for housing types, manufacturing methods, and housing

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designs stifles housing choices, arbitrarily reduces competition, and 1 increases costs which in turn reduces housing affordability. 2 restrictions on the siting of manufactured housing go beyond 3 4 regulations needed to adequately protect the life and safety of the citizens of the state. The legislature further finds that manufactured 5 housing built to federal standards should not be prohibited or 6 7 restrained beyond restraints or prohibitions placed on site-built 8 single-family residences, either through personal 9 restrictions, and that any such restrictions are contrary to the public 10 policy of the state that encourages housing affordability and consumer choice absent restraint of trade by private or public entities. 11

The legislature recognizes that federal standards for manufactured housing supersedes state and local building and energy codes and that compliance with state or local building or energy codes as a requirement for issuing a permit for siting a manufactured housing unit may not be required as a condition for allowing manufactured homes in the state.

18 **Sec. 202.** RCW 35.63.110 and 1965 c 7 s 35.63.110 are each amended 19 to read as follows:

For any or all of such purposes the council or board, on recommendation of its commission, may divide the municipality or any portion thereof into districts of such size, shape and area, or may establish such official maps, or development plans for the whole or any portion of the municipality as may be deemed best suited to carry out the purposes of this chapter and within such districts it may regulate and restrict the erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair or use of buildings, structures, or land.

28 However, in any zoning district for single-family residences, 29 single-family manufactured homes, as defined in RCW 43.63B.010, that are thermally equivalent to the state energy code, shall be sited on 30 individual lots subject only to land use regulations applicable to all 31 other single-family residences on individual lots in such districts. 32 33 This section does not prevent the adoption of home design regulations to assure neighborhood compatibility provided such regulations apply 34 equally to homes regulated under the state building code and 35 manufactured homes as defined in RCW 43.63B.010. 36

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1 **Sec. 203.** RCW 35A.63.100 and 1979 ex.s. c 170 s 8 are each amended 2 to read as follows:

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After approval of the comprehensive plan, as set forth above, the legislative body, in developing the municipality and in regulating the use of land, may implement or give effect to the comprehensive plan or parts thereof by ordinance or other action to such extent as the legislative body deems necessary or appropriate. Such ordinances or other action may provide for:

- 9 (1) Adoption of an official map and regulations relating thereto 10 designating locations and requirements for one or more of the 11 following: Streets, parks, public buildings, and other public 12 facilities, and protecting such sites against encroachment by buildings 13 and other physical structures.
- 14 Dividing the municipality, or portions thereof, 15 appropriate zones within which specific standards, requirements, and 16 conditions may be provided for regulating the use of public and private 17 land, buildings, and structures, and the location, height, bulk, number of stories, and size of buildings and structures, size of yards, 18 19 courts, open spaces, density of population, ratio of land area to the area of buildings and structures, setbacks, area required for off-20 street parking, protection of access to direct sunlight for solar 21 22 energy systems, and such other standards, requirements, regulations, and procedures as are appropriately related thereto. The ordinance 23 24 encompassing the matters of this subsection is hereinafter called the 25 "zoning ordinance". No zoning ordinance, or amendment thereto, shall 26 be enacted by the legislative body without at least one public hearing, 27 notice of which shall be given as set forth in RCW 35A.63.070. hearing may be held before the planning agency or the board of 28 adjustment or such other body as the legislative body shall designate. 29 30 However, in any zoning district for single-family residences, single-family manufactured homes, as defined in RCW 43.63B.010, that 31 are thermally equivalent to the state energy code, shall be sited on 32 individual lots subject only to land use regulations applicable to all 33 34 other single-family residences on individual lots in such districts. This section does not prevent the adoption of home design regulations 35

to assure neighborhood compatibility provided such regulations apply

equally to homes regulated under the state building code and

manufactured homes as defined in RCW 43.63B.010.

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- 1 (3) Adoption of design standards, requirements, regulations, and 2 procedures for the subdivision of land into two or more parcels, 3 including, but not limited to, the approval of plats, dedications, 4 acquisitions, improvements, and reservation of sites for public use.
- 5 (4) Scheduling public improvements on the basis of recommended 6 priorities over a period of years, subject to periodic review.
- 7 (5) Such other matters as may be otherwise authorized by law or as 8 the legislative body deems necessary or appropriate to effectuate the 9 goals and objectives of the comprehensive plan or parts thereof and the 10 purposes of this chapter.
- 11 **Sec. 204.** RCW 36.70.750 and 1963 c 4 s 36.70.750 are each amended 12 to read as follows:
- Any board, by ordinance, may establish classifications, within each of which, specific controls are identified, and which will:
- 15 (1) Regulate the use of buildings, structures, and land as between 16 agriculture, industry, business, residence, and other purposes.
- However, in any zoning district for single-family residences, 17 18 single-family manufactured homes, as defined in RCW 43.63B.010, that are thermally equivalent to the state energy code, shall be sited on 19 individual lots subject only to land use regulations applicable to all 20 other single-family residences on individual lots in such districts. 21 This subsection does not prevent the adoption of home design 22 23 regulations to assure neighborhood compatibility provided such 24 regulations apply equally to homes regulated under the state building
- (2) Regulate location, height, bulk, number of stories and size of buildings and structures; the size of yards, courts, and other open spaces; the density of population; the percentage of a lot which may be occupied by buildings and structures; and the area required to provide off-street facilities for the parking of motor vehicles.

code and manufactured homes as defined in RCW 43.63B.010;

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 205. A new section is added to chapter 36.70A RCW to read as follows:
- Any city or county that plans or elects to plan under this chapter must allow in any zoning district for single-family residences, singlefamily manufactured homes as defined in RCW 43.63B.010 that are thermally equivalent to the state energy code, to be sited on individual lots subject only to land use regulations applicable to all

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- l other single-family residences on individual lots in such districts.
- 2 This section does not prevent the adoption of home design regulations
- 3 to assure neighborhood compatibility provided such regulations apply
- 4 equally to homes regulated under the state building code and
- 5 manufactured homes as defined in RCW 43.63B.010.

6 PART III

REAL ESTATE BROKER AMENDMENTS

- 8 **Sec. 301.** RCW 46.70.011 and 1996 c 194 s 1 are each amended to 9 read as follows:
- 10 As used in this chapter:

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- 11 (1) "Vehicle" means and includes every device capable of being 12 moved upon a public highway and in, upon, or by which any persons or 13 property is or may be transported or drawn upon a public highway, 14 excepting devices moved by human or animal power or used exclusively 15 upon stationary rails or tracks.
- (2) "Motor vehicle" means every vehicle which is self-propelled and every vehicle which is propelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires, but not operated upon rails, and which is required to be registered and titled under Title 46 RCW, Motor Vehicles.
- 21 (3) "Vehicle dealer" means any person, firm, association, 22 corporation, or trust, not excluded by subsection (4) of this section, 23 engaged in the business of buying, selling, listing, exchanging, 24 offering, brokering, leasing with an option to purchase, auctioning, soliciting, or advertising the sale of new or used vehicles, or 25 arranging or offering or attempting to solicit or negotiate on behalf 26 27 of others, a sale, purchase, or exchange of an interest in new or used 28 motor vehicles, irrespective of whether the motor vehicles are owned by 29 that person. Vehicle dealers shall be classified as follows:
- 30 (a) A "motor vehicle dealer" is a vehicle dealer that deals in new 31 or used motor vehicles, or both;
- 32 (b) A "mobile home and travel trailer dealer" is a vehicle dealer 33 that deals in mobile homes, park trailers, or travel trailers, or more 34 than one type of these vehicles;
- 35 (c) A "miscellaneous vehicle dealer" is a vehicle dealer that deals 36 in motorcycles or vehicles other than motor vehicles or mobile homes 37 and travel trailers or any combination of such vehicles.

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- 1 (4) The term "vehicle dealer" does not include, nor do the 2 licensing requirements of RCW 46.70.021 apply to, the following 3 persons, firms, associations, or corporations:
- 4 (a) Receivers, trustees, administrators, executors, guardians, or 5 other persons appointed by, or acting under a judgment or order of, any 6 court; or
 - (b) Public officers while performing their official duties; or
- 8 (c) Employees of vehicle dealers who are engaged in the specific 9 performance of their duties as such employees; or

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- 10 (d) Any person engaged in an isolated sale of a vehicle in which he 11 is the registered or legal owner, or both, thereof; or
- (e) Any person, firm, association, corporation, or trust, engaged in the selling of equipment other than vehicles, subject to registration, used for agricultural or industrial purposes; or
- 15 (f) A real estate broker licensed under chapter 18.85 RCW, or his authorized representative, who, on behalf of ((the legal or registered 16 owner of a used mobile home)) another negotiates the purchase, sale, 17 <u>lease</u>, or exchange of ((the used)) <u>a manufactured or mobile home in</u> 18 19 conjunction with the purchase, sale, exchange, rental, or lease of the 20 land upon which the ((used)) manufactured or mobile home is, or will be, located ((and the real estate broker is not acting as an agent, 21 subagent, or representative of a vehicle dealer licensed under this 22 23 chapter)); or
- (g) Owners who are also operators of the special highway construction equipment or of the highway construction equipment for which a vehicle license and display vehicle license number plate is required as defined in RCW 46.16.010; or
 - (h) Any bank, trust company, savings bank, mutual savings bank, savings and loan association, credit union, and any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate thereof, authorized to do business in this state under state or federal law with respect to the sale or other disposition of a motor vehicle owned and used in their business; or with respect to the acquisition and sale or other disposition of a motor vehicle in which the entity has acquired an interest as a lessor, lessee, or secured party.
- 36 (5) "Vehicle salesperson" means any person who for any form of 37 compensation sells, auctions, leases with an option to purchase, or 38 offers to sell or to so lease vehicles on behalf of a vehicle dealer.

- 1 (6) "Department" means the department of licensing, which shall administer and enforce the provisions of this chapter.
 - (7) "Director" means the director of licensing.

- 4 (8) "Manufacturer" means any person, firm, association, 5 corporation, or trust, resident or nonresident, who manufactures or 6 assembles new and unused vehicles or remanufactures vehicles in whole 7 or in part and further includes the terms:
- 8 (a) "Distributor," which means any person, firm, association, 9 corporation, or trust, resident or nonresident, who in whole or in part 10 offers for sale, sells, or distributes any new and unused vehicle to 11 vehicle dealers or who maintains factory representatives.
- 12 (b) "Factory branch," which means a branch office maintained by a 13 manufacturer for the purpose of selling or offering for sale, vehicles to a distributor, wholesaler, or vehicle dealer, or for directing or 14 15 supervising in whole or in part factory or distributor representatives, 16 and further includes any sales promotion organization, whether a 17 person, firm, or corporation, which is engaged in promoting the sale of 18 new and unused vehicles in this state of a particular brand or make to 19 vehicle dealers.
- (c) "Factory representative," which means a representative employed by a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch for the purpose of making or promoting for the sale of their vehicles or for supervising or contracting with their dealers or prospective dealers.
- (9) "Established place of business" means a location meeting the requirements of RCW 46.70.023(1) at which a vehicle dealer conducts business in this state.
- 27 (10) "Principal place of business" means that dealer firm's 28 business location in the state, which place the dealer designates as 29 their principal place of business.
- 30 (11) "Subagency" means any place of business of a vehicle dealer 31 within the state, which place is physically and geographically 32 separated from the principal place of business of the firm or any place 33 of business of a vehicle dealer within the state, at which place the 34 firm does business using a name other than the principal name of the 35 firm, or both.
- 36 (12) "Temporary subagency" means a location other than the 37 principal place of business or subagency within the state where a 38 licensed vehicle dealer may secure a license to conduct the business 39 and is licensed for a period of time not to exceed ten days for a

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- 1 specific purpose such as auto shows, shopping center promotions, tent
- 2 sales, exhibitions, or similar merchandising ventures. No more than
- 3 six temporary subagency licenses may be issued to a licensee in any
- 4 twelve-month period.
- 5 (13) "Wholesale vehicle dealer" means a vehicle dealer who buys and 6 sells other than at retail.
- 7 (14) "Retail vehicle dealer" means a vehicle dealer who may buy and 8 sell at both wholesale and retail.
- 9 (15) "Listing dealer" means a used mobile home dealer who makes 10 contracts with sellers who will compensate the dealer for obtaining a
- 11 willing purchaser for the seller's mobile home.
- 12 (16) "Auction" means a transaction conducted by means of exchanges
- 13 between an auctioneer and the members of the audience, constituting a
- 14 series of oral invitations for offers for the purchase of vehicles made
- 15 by the auctioneer, offers to purchase by members of the audience, and
- 16 the acceptance of the highest or most favorable offer to purchase.
- 17 (17) "Auction company" means a sole proprietorship, partnership,
- 18 corporation, or other legal or commercial entity licensed under chapter
- 19 18.11 RCW that only sells or offers to sell vehicles at auction or only
- 20 arranges or sponsors auctions.
- 21 (18) "Buyer's agent" means any person, firm, partnership,
- 22 association, limited liability company, limited liability partnership,
- 23 or corporation retained or employed by a consumer to arrange for or to
- 24 negotiate, or both, the purchase of a new motor vehicle on behalf of
- 25 the consumer, and who is paid a fee or receives other compensation from
- 26 the consumer for its services.
- 27 (19) "New motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle that is self-
- 28 propelled and is required to be registered and titled under Title 46
- 29 RCW, has not been previously titled to a retail purchaser or lessee,
- 30 and is not a "used vehicle" as defined under RCW 46.04.660.
- 31 **Sec. 302.** RCW 18.85.010 and 1997 c 322 s 1 are each amended to
- 32 read as follows:
- In this chapter words and phrases have the following meanings
- 34 unless otherwise apparent from the context:
- 35 (1) "Real estate broker," or "broker," means a person, while acting
- 36 for another for commissions or other compensation or the promise
- 37 thereof, or a licensee under this chapter while acting in his or her
- 38 own behalf, who:

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- 1 (a) Sells or offers for sale, lists or offers to list, buys or 2 offers to buy real estate or business opportunities, or any interest 3 therein, for others;
- 4 (b) Negotiates or offers to negotiate, either directly or 5 indirectly, the purchase, sale, exchange, lease, or rental of real 6 estate or business opportunities, or any interest therein, for others;
- 7 (c) Negotiates or offers to negotiate, either directly or 8 indirectly, the purchase, sale, or exchange of a ((used)) manufactured 9 or mobile home in conjunction with the purchase, sale, exchange, 10 rental, or lease of the land upon which the ((used)) manufactured or 11 mobile home is, or will be, located;
- 12 (d) Advertises or holds himself or herself out to the public by any 13 oral or printed solicitation or representation that he or she is so 14 engaged; or
- 15 (e) Engages, directs, or assists in procuring prospects or in 16 negotiating or closing any transaction which results or is calculated 17 to result in any of these acts;
- 18 (2) "Real estate salesperson" or "salesperson" means any natural 19 person employed, either directly or indirectly, by a real estate 20 broker, or any person who represents a real estate broker in the 21 performance of any of the acts specified in subsection (1) of this 22 section;
- 23 (3) An "associate real estate broker" is a person who has qualified 24 as a "real estate broker" who works with a broker and whose license 25 states that he or she is associated with a broker;
- (4) The word "person" as used in this chapter shall be construed to mean and include a corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or partnership, except where otherwise restricted;
- 30 (5) "Business opportunity" shall mean and include business, 31 business opportunity and good will of an existing business or any one 32 or combination thereof;
- 33 (6) "Commission" means the real estate commission of the state of 34 Washington;
 - (7) "Director" means the director of licensing;

36 (8) "Real estate multiple listing association" means any 37 association of real estate brokers:

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- 1 (a) Whose members circulate listings of the members among 2 themselves so that the properties described in the listings may be sold 3 by any member for an agreed portion of the commission to be paid; and
- (b) Which require in a real estate listing agreement between the seller and the broker, that the members of the real estate multiple listing association shall have the same rights as if each had executed a separate agreement with the seller;
- 8 (9) "Clock hours of instruction" means actual hours spent in 9 classroom instruction in any tax supported, public technical college, 10 community college, or any other institution of higher learning or a 11 correspondence course from any of the aforementioned institutions 12 certified by such institution as the equivalent of the required number 13 of clock hours, and the real estate commission may certify courses of 14 instruction other than in the aforementioned institutions; and
- 15 (10) "Incapacitated" means the physical or mental inability to 16 perform the duties of broker prescribed by this chapter.
- 17 **Sec. 303.** RCW 18.85.330 and 1997 c 322 s 20 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
- 19 (1) Except under subsection (4) of this section, it shall be
 20 unlawful for any licensed broker to pay any part of his or her
 21 commission or other compensation to any person who is not a licensed
 22 real estate broker in any state of the United States or its possessions
 23 or any province of the Dominion of Canada or any foreign jurisdiction
 24 with a real estate regulatory program.
- 25 (2) Except under subsection (4) of this section, it shall be 26 unlawful for any licensed broker to pay any part of his or her 27 commission or other compensation to a real estate salesperson not 28 licensed to do business for such broker.
- 29 (3) Except under subsection (4) of this section, it shall be 30 unlawful for any licensed salesperson to pay any part of his or her 31 commission or other compensation to any person, whether licensed or 32 not, except through his or her broker.
- 33 (4) A commission may be shared with a manufactured housing 34 retailer, licensed under chapter 46.70 RCW, on the sale of personal 35 property manufactured housing sold in conjunction with the sale or 36 lease of land.

1 PART IV

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TAXATION OF USED MANUFACTURED HOMES

3 **Sec. 401.** RCW 82.45.032 and 1993 sp.s. c 25 s 504 are each amended 4 to read as follows:

5 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 6 this section apply throughout this chapter.

- 7 (1) "Real estate" or "real property" means any interest, estate, or 8 beneficial interest in land or anything affixed to land, including the 9 ownership interest or beneficial interest in any entity which itself 10 owns land or anything affixed to land. The term includes used mobile 11 homes, used manufactured homes, used floating homes, and improvements 12 constructed upon leased land.
- (2) "Used mobile home" or "used manufactured home" means a mobile 13 14 home or manufactured home which has been previously sold at retail and 15 has been subjected to tax under chapter 82.08 RCW, or which has been previously used and has been subjected to tax under chapter 82.12 16 RCW((, and which has substantially lost its identity as a mobile unit 17 18 at the time of sale by virtue of its being fixed in location upon land 19 owned or leased by the owner of the mobile home and placed on a 20 foundation (posts or blocks) with fixed pipe connections with sewer, 21 water, and other utilities)).
 - (3) "Mobile home" means a ((mobile home as defined by RCW 46.04.302, as now or hereafter amended)) factory-built dwelling built prior to June 15, 1976, to standards other than the federal housing and urban development code, and acceptable under applicable state statutes in effect at the time of construction or introduction of the home into the state. Mobile homes have not been built since introduction of the housing and urban development manufactured home construction and safety standards act. "Manufactured home" means a single-family dwelling built in accordance with the department of housing and urban development manufactured home construction and safety standards act, which is a national, preemptive building code.
- 33 (4) "Used floating home" means a floating home in respect to which 34 tax has been paid under chapter 82.08 or 82.12 RCW.
- 35 (5) "Floating home" means a building on a float used in whole or in 36 part for human habitation as a single-family dwelling, which is not 37 designed for self propulsion by mechanical means or for propulsion by

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- 1 means of wind, and which is on the property tax rolls of the county in 2 which it is located.
- 3 **Sec. 402.** RCW 65.20.910 and 1989 c 343 s 15 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to affect the taxation
- 6 of manufactured homes or eligibility of property for like kind trade-in
- 7 <u>as provided for in RCW 82.08.010(1)</u>.
- 8 PART V
- 9 ALTERATIONS INSPECTIONS
- 10 **Sec. 501.** RCW 43.22.440 and 1988 c 239 s 5 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
- 12 (1) The legislature finds that inspections of ((mobile))
 13 manufactured home installation are not done on a consistent basis.
- 14 ((Mobile)) Manufactured homes provide housing for many people in the 15 state, and improperly installed ((mobile)) manufactured homes are a
- 16 serious health and safety risk. Where possible and practical,
- 17 ((mobile)) manufactured home((s)) installation should be treated the
- 18 same as any housing inhabited or to be inhabited by persons in this
- 19 state, including housing built according to the state building code.
- 20 (2) In consultation with the factory assembled structures advisory
- 21 board for ((mobile)) manufactured homes, the director of labor and
- 22 industries shall by rule establish uniform standards for the
- 23 performance and workmanship of $\underline{\text{home}}$ installation (($\underline{\text{service}}$)),
- 24 <u>alterations, wood stove and fireplace installation,</u> and warranty
- 25 service by persons or entities engaged in performing the services
- 26 within this state for all ((mobile)) manufactured homes, as defined in
- 27 RCW 46.04.302. The standards shall conform, where applicable, with
- 28 statutes, rules, and recommendations established under the federal
- 29 national (($\frac{mobile}{}$)) $\frac{manufactured}{}$ home construction and safety standards
- 30 act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 5401 et seq.). These rules regarding the
- 31 installation of ((mobile)) manufactured homes, alterations to wood
- 32 stoves, and fireplaces in manufactured homes shall be enforced and fees
- 33 charged by the counties and cities in the same manner the state
- 34 building code is enforced under RCW 19.27.050. The standards required
- 35 under this subsection shall be adopted by July 1, 1999.

- (3) A county, city, or town may issue an alteration permit, conduct an inspection, and grant written approval of an alteration or an installation of a wood stove or fireplace in a manufactured home if the installation does not affect the structural integrity of the home. The county, city, or town shall notify the department of its decision to inspect all alterations, installations, and approvals within its jurisdiction and provide a copy of each approval to the department of labor and industries and the department shall issue an insignia to the manufactured homeowner for placement on the manufactured home.
- (4) In addition to and in conjunction with the remedies provided in this chapter, failure to remedy any breach of the standards and rules so established, upon adequate notice and within a reasonable time, is a violation of the consumer protection act, chapter 19.86 RCW and subject to the remedies provided in that chapter.

15 PART VI

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DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING DEFINITIONS

17 **Sec. 601.** RCW 46.04.302 and 1993 c 154 s 1 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

(("Mobile home" or)) "Manufactured home" means a ((structure, designed and constructed to be transportable in one or more sections, and is built on a permanent chassis, and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities that include plumbing, heating, and electrical systems contained therein. The structure must comply with the national mobile home construction and safety standards act of 1974 as adopted by chapter 43.22 RCW if applicable. Manufactured home does not include a modular home. A structure which met the definition of a "manufactured home" at the time of manufacture is still considered to meet this definition notwithstanding that it is no longer transportable)) singlefamily dwelling built in accordance with the department of housing and urban development manufactured home construction and safety standards act, which is a national, preemptive building code. "Mobile home" means a factory-built dwelling built prior to June 15, 1976, to standards other than the housing and urban development code, and acceptable under applicable state statutes in effect at the time of construction or introduction of the home into the state. Mobile homes

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- 1 have not been built since introduction of the housing and urban
- 2 development manufactured home construction and safety standards act.

3 PART VII

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4 CLASSIFICATION OF MANUFACTURED HOMES--TITLE ELIMINATION

- 5 **Sec. 701.** RCW 65.20.020 and 1989 c 343 s 2 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 8 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 9 (1) "Affixed" means that the manufactured home is installed in accordance with the installation standards in state law.
 - (2) "Department" means the department of licensing.
- 12 (3) "Eliminating the title" means to cancel an existing title
 13 issued by this state or a foreign jurisdiction or to waive the
 14 certificate of ownership required by chapter 46.12 RCW and recording
 15 the appropriate documents in the county real property records pursuant
 16 to this chapter.
 - (4) "Homeowner" means the owner of a manufactured home.
- 18 (5) "Land" means real property excluding the manufactured home.
- (6) "Manufactured home" ((or "mobile home")) means a ((structure, 19 20 designed and constructed to be transportable in one or more sections 21 and is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a 22 dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the 23 required utilities that include plumbing, heating, and electrical 24 systems contained therein. The structure must comply with the national 25 mobile home construction and safety standards act of 1974 as adopted by chapter 43.22 RCW if applicable. "Manufactured home" does not include 26 27 a modular home. A structure which met the definition of a 28 "manufactured home" at the time of manufacture is still considered to 29 meet this definition notwithstanding that it is no longer 30 transportable)) single-family dwelling built in accordance with the department of housing and urban development manufactured home 31 32 construction and safety standards act, which is a national, preemptive building code. "Mobile home" means a factory-built dwelling built 33 prior to June 15, 1976, to standards other than the housing and urban 34 35 development code, and acceptable under applicable state statutes in effect at the time of construction or introduction of the home into the 36 37 state. Mobile homes have not been built since introduction of the

- housing and urban development manufactured home construction and safety
 standards act.
- 3 (7) "Owner" means, when referring to a manufactured home that is 4 titled, the person who is the registered owner. When referring to a 5 mobile home that is untitled pursuant to this chapter, the owner is the 6 person who owns the land. When referring to land, the person may have 7 fee simple title, have a leasehold estate of thirty-five years or more, 8 or be purchasing the property on a real estate contract. Owners
- 9 include joint tenants, tenants in common, holders of legal life 10 estates, and holders of remainder interests.
- 11 (8) "Person" means any individual, trustee, partnership, 12 corporation, or other legal entity. "Person" may refer to more than
- (9) "Secured party" means the legal owner when referring to a titled mobile home, or the lender securing a loan through a mortgage, deed of trust, or real estate contract when referring to land or land containing an untitled manufactured home pursuant to this chapter.
- 18 (10) "Security interest" means an interest in property to secure 19 payment of a loan made by a secured party to a borrower.
- 20 (11) "Title" or "titled" means a certificate of ownership issued 21 pursuant to chapter 46.12 RCW.

22 PART VIII

one individual or entity.

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23 **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 801. This act takes effect July 1, 1998, but local governments have until January 1, 1999, to bring applicable local codes and ordinances into compliance with sections 101 through 104 of this act and sections 201 through 205 of this act.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 802. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 803. Part headings used in this act are not any part of the law.

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