5354-S2

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions (originally sponsored by Senators Patterson, Prentice, Winsley, Fraser, Fairley, Costa, Regala and McAuliffe; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development)

Brief Description: Modifying mobile home relocation assistance.

SB 5354-S2 - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that the department shall give priority for distribution of relocation assistance to tenants residing in parks that are closed as a result of park-owner fraud or as a result of health and safety concerns as determined by the local board of health.

Declares that eligibility for relocation assistance funds is limited to low-income households. As used in this section, "low-income household" means a single person, family, or unrelated persons living together whose adjusted income is less than eighty percent of the median family income, adjusted for household size, for the county where the mobile or manufactured home is located.

Provides that a one hundred dollar fee is imposed upon the purchaser on every transfer of title issued under chapter 46.12 RCW on a mobile home one year old or more where: (1) The ownership of the mobile home changes; and

(2) The mobile home is located in a mobile home park. A transfer of title does not include the addition or deletion of a spouse co-owner or secured interest.

Declares that mobile homes with a sale price of less than five thousand dollars are not subject to the fee imposed in this act.

Requires the department of licensing or its agents to collect the fee when processing an application for transfer of title. The fee collected shall be forwarded to the state treasurer for deposit into the mobile home park relocation fund created in chapter 59.21 RCW. The department of licensing may deduct a percentage amount, not to exceed two percent of the fees collected, for the collection expenses incurred by the department of licensing.