
**Labor & Workplace Standards
Committee**

HB 1514

Brief Description: Addressing the purchase and distribution of insignia to manufacturers of recreational vehicles and/or park trailers.

Sponsors: Representatives Robertson, Berry, Schmidt, Ormsby, Doglio, Reed and Fosse.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows manufacturers of recreational vehicles and park trailers to purchase and distribute insignia from the Department of Labor and Industries if the manufacturer has an approved quality control program and submits its plans for the model or prototype of its recreational vehicle or park trailer to the Department.

Hearing Date: 2/1/23

Staff: Trudes Tango (786-7384).

Background:

The Department of Labor and Industries (Department) enforces safety regulations for the manufacturing of recreational vehicles (RVs) and park trailers sold or leased in the state. An RV is a vehicle primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational camping, travel, or seasonal use that either has its own motive power or is mounted on or towed by another vehicle. They include camping trailers, fifth-wheel trailers, motor homes, travel trailers, and truck campers.

An RV or park trailer sold or leased in the state must have an insignia issued by the Department. To obtain the appropriate insignia, the Department must approve the manufacturer's design plans

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and specifications. The manufacturer may submit its plans and specifications to the Department and be subject to the Department's review process. In the alternative, the manufacturer may use a self-certification process, whereby the manufacturer's design plans are reviewed by a Department approved licensed professional and the manufacturer has a quality control process approved by the Department.

Once the Department approves a manufacturer's plans and conducts an inspection, and the manufacturer pays the appropriate fees, the Department issues the insignia. Insignia are attached to the finished vehicle before it leaves the manufacturer's location.

Summary of Bill:

The Department must permit the purchase and distribution of insignia to a manufacturer of RVs and park trailers with an approved quality control program, if the manufacturer submits plans and specifications of a model or production prototype of an RV or park trailer and pays the review fees to the Department.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.