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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Date Referred to Committee: April 28, 1999

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 5/7/99

The FINANCE Committee considered:

HB 167

HOUSE BILL NO. 167

REGULATION OF MOBILE HOME DEALERS

"An Act relating to mobile home dealers."

recommends it be replaced with the following committee substitute CSHB 167 (L+C) the same title a new title

additional referral to _____ Committee

attached amendment(s)

ADOPTS: _____ Letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): (Dept) _____

APPROVES PREVIOUS: (Dept/Date) _____

fiscal note(s) _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) DCED 4/28/99

SIGNING WITH RECOMMENDATIONS		DP	DNP	NR	AM
<u>Eldon Blued</u>	Mulder	✓			
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CHAIR'S SIGNATURE Eldon Blued Ben Sanderson

FISCAL NOTE

Bill Version: CSHB 167 (L&C)
(H) Publish Date: 4/28/99

STATE OF ALASKA 1999 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction) _____ Dept. Affected Commerce & Econ Dev.
 Title An Act relating to mobile home dealers. BRU Occupational Licensing
 Component Occupational Licensing
 Sponsor Rep. Cowdery by Request
 Requester House Labor and Commerce Component Serial No. 2360

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY99) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*
New funds are not required to implement this bill.

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 Division Occupational Licensing Date/Time 4/16/99 10:28 AM
 Approved by Commissioner Deborah B. Sedwick Date 4/16/99
 Agency Commerce & Economic Development

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Sponsor Statement for House Bill 167(L&C)

House Bill 167 (L&C) repeals the statutes requiring mobile home dealers to be licensed and bonded in the State of Alaska. House Bill 167 as originally drafted simply removed used dealers from the licensure and bonding requirements under existing law. Since used mobile homes are sold as-is where-is with no warranty expressed or implied, it seemed prudent to allow used dealer to operate unimpeded by bonding requirements.

In testimony before the House Labor and Commerce Committee, it became clear that removing used dealers would leave so few licensees in the program that it would be inefficient to administer and would no longer serve a meaningful public purpose. Furthermore, testimony was heard that the existing bonding and licensing fees (in excess of \$2000) are a significant burden on small businesses and have an anti-competitive effect on the marketplace. Upon discovering that no claims have ever been made against a licensee and hearing no request for protection from any consumer groups or members of the public, the Labor and Commerce Committee decided to simply repeal the existing licensure scheme and relieve private business of costs of bonding and licensing fees.

I support the action of the Labor and Commerce Committee and believe that this is one area where we can remove government interference from the private sector with no significant ill-effects.