1 State of Arkansas A BillACT 632 OF 1991 2 **78th General Assembly** HOUSE BILL 1745 3 Regular Session, 1991 **By: Representative McKissack** 4 5 6 For An Act To Be Entitled 7 "AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 20, CHAPTER 25, SUBCHAPTER 1 OF THE 8 ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 TO GIVE THE ARKANSAS MANUFACTURED 9 HOME COMMISSION SUBPOENA POWERS; TO PROHIBIT THE TRANSFER 10 11 OF LICENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 12 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 14 15 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §20-25-106 is hereby amended to read as 16 follows: 17 "20-25-106. Arkansas Manufactured Home Commission - Powers and duties. 18 19 The commission shall by regulation set uniform reasonable (a)(1) 20 standards for the proper installation of manufactured homes including, but not 21 limited to, foundation, supports, anchoring, and underpinning of manufactured 22 homes installed in this state. 23 (2) The commission shall by regulation set requirements for and 24 require licensing and certification of manufacturers of manufactured homes in 25 this state and manufacturers of manufactured homes in other states selling 26 them in this state. 27 (3) The commission by regulation shall set the requirements and 28 require licensing and certification of any dealer, manufactured home salesman, 29 and others engaged in the sale, installation, anchoring, and servicing of 30 manufactured homes for sale in this state. 31 (b) The commission shall require bonding or other reasonable methods to 32 assure that manufacturers, dealers, and others licensed or certified under 33 this chapter will be financially responsible to fully comply with the code. (c) (1) The commission or subcommittee of the commission shall convene 34 35 hearings and issue orders in cases of violations of this chapter or of the 36 code.

1 (2) The commission or subcommittee of the commission shall 2 convene hearings and the commission shall issue orders on an appeal involving 3 differences between manufactured home manufacturers, dealers, and the director 4 and his staff.

5 (d) The commission shall delegate its authority, except the authority 6 to adopt standards, rules, and regulations, to the director.

7 (e) The commission shall have the power to suspend, revoke, or refuse 8 to renew the license or certification under this chapter of any person who is 9 found to have been guilty of:

10 (1) Fraud, misrepresentation, or deception in obtaining a license11 or certification;

12 (2) Accepting a manufactured home, directly or indirectly, from a13 manufacturer not certified by the state pursuant to this chapter;

14 (3) Selling or delivering, directly or indirectly, a manufactured15 home to a dealer not certified by the state pursuant to this chapter;

16 (4) Violating any provision of this chapter or rules or17 regulations promulgated thereunder;

(f) (1) In lieu of suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew a license certification, the commission shall have the authority to impose a monetary penalty and may suspend, refuse to renew, or revoke the license or certification until the penalty is paid to the commission. The penalty shall be imposed only if the commission formally finds that the public welfare would not be impaired by the imposition of a monetary penalty rather than suspension, refusal to renew, or a revocation and payment of same should achieve the desired disciplinary purpose.

26 (2) No monetary penalty imposed by the commission shall exceed 27 one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per violation. Each separate transaction shall 28 constitute a separate violation.

(3) The commission shall not impose a civil penalty upon any
person whose license or certification is suspended, revoked, or not renewed
under this section.

32 (g) Regarding any violation of this chapter or A.C.A. §20-29-101 et 33 seq., the commission shall have the power to issue subpoenas and bring before 34 the commission as a witness any person in the state and may require the 35 witness to bring with him any book, writing, or other thing under his control

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1 which he is bound by law to produce in evidence.

2 (h) The commission shall have the power to file suit in the Circuit 3 Court of Pulaski County to obtain a judgment for the amount of any penalty not 4 paid within thirty (30) days of service of the order assessing the monetary 5 penalty, unless a court enters a stay pursuant to the provisions of this 6 section.

7 (i) All hearings and appeals therefrom under this section shall be 8 pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, 25-15-201 et seq.

9 (j) The commission may require manufacturers, distributors, and dealers 10 in this state to make reports as it deems necessary. The reports shall be 11 filed with the director.

12 (k) No license or certification shall be transferred or assigned to any 13 other person."

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15 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature 16 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code 17 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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19 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to 20 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect 21 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without 22 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this 23 act are declared to be severable.

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25 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are 26 hereby repealed.

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