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## LOCAL INSPECTION OF MOBILE HOME PARKS

House Bill 4691

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Committee: Land Use and Environment

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### A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4691 AS INTRODUCED 5-1-01

Currently, the Mobile Home Commission Act provides that, except for the purposes of issuing a license or renewing a license, a local government cannot make an inspection of a mobile home park unless it has reason to believe that the state act, the mobile home code established under the state act, or a rule promulgated under the act has been violated. House Bill 4691 would amend this provision to say that a local government may make an inspection if it has reason to believe that a local ordinance has been violated (in addition to the state act, code, and rules).

The bill also would make changes to the act to reflect the current inspection role of the Department of Environmental Quality.

[Under the Mobile Home Commission Act, a special state commission is charged with establishing a mobile home code to govern, among other things, the licensure, density, layout, and construction of mobile home parks, including standards for roads, utilities, open space, proposed recreational facilities, and safety measures to protect the health, safety, and welfare of park residents. Parks require a license from the Department of Consumer and Industry Services. The act gives the regulation of water supply, sewage collection and treatment, and drainage to state health officials, and that function is carried out by the Department of Environmental Quality. The code also addresses the business, sales, and service practices of mobile home dealers, installers, and repairers; governs the setup and installation of mobile homes within parks; and regulates aspects of the business of home manufacturers and assemblers. The act contains restrictions on the mobile home ordinances of local units of government. A local unit can propose mobile home park standards higher than those found in the code, but they require the approval of the commission before local adoption.]

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