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H.B. No. 3400

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to manufactured housing

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1201.003(15), Occupations Code is amended to read as follows:

(15) "Manufactured home" or "manufactured housing" means a HUD-code manufactured home [~~or a mobile home~~].

SECTION 2. Section 1201.054(d) is amended to read as follows:

(d) A rule takes effect on the 30th day after the date of publication of notice that the rule has been adopted [~~, except that a rule relating to installation standards may not take effect later than the 60th day after the date of publication of notice~~].

SECTION 3. Section 1201.113, Occupations Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1201.113. Certification or Continuing Education Program.

(a) The director shall [~~may~~] shall recognize, prepare or administer a certification [~~or~~] and continuing education program for persons regulated under this chapter.

(b) The director shall issue an appropriate certificate to a person who:

(1) completes a certification program; or

(2) participates in a continuing education program.

(c) Participation in a certification or continuing

1 education program is [~~voluntary~~] mandatory.

2 (d) Any licensee directly involved in the sale of
3 manufactured housing must complete 8 hours per calendar year of
4 certification and continuing education programs provided by
5 Subsection (a) that address state laws applicable to all
6 manufactured housing retailer practices, applicable consumer
7 protection regulations and ethical standards. A licensee must
8 complete the certification and continuing education programs
9 required by this subsection or the license is forfeited until the
10 completion of the course.

11 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.