

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Bennett

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to manufactured buildings;  
3           amending s. 553.36, F.S.; authorizing the use  
4           of certain foundation systems for all types of  
5           manufactured buildings; amending s. 553.37,  
6           F.S.; authorizing the permitting for a  
7           specified time of manufactured buildings that  
8           use a foundation system designed and installed  
9           in accordance with certain standards;  
10          authorizing such use to be extended upon  
11          application and inspection; prohibiting the  
12          denial of such extension without an inspection  
13          and verified findings of fault with the  
14          foundation system; providing that the act does  
15          not apply to residential manufactured buildings  
16          or factory-built schools; providing an  
17          effective date.

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19 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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21           Section 1. Subsection (12) of section 553.36, Florida  
22 Statutes, is amended to read:

23           553.36 Definitions.--The definitions contained in this  
24 section govern the construction of this part unless the  
25 context otherwise requires.

26           (12) "Manufactured building" means a closed structure,  
27 building assembly, or system of subassemblies, which may  
28 include structural, electrical, plumbing, heating,  
29 ventilating, or other service systems manufactured in  
30 manufacturing facilities for installation or erection as a  
31 finished building or as part of a finished building, which

1 shall include, but not be limited to, residential, commercial,  
2 institutional, storage, and industrial structures. The term  
3 includes buildings not intended for human habitation such as  
4 lawn storage buildings and storage sheds manufactured and  
5 assembled offsite by a manufacturer certified in conformance  
6 with this part. This part does not apply to mobile homes. The  
7 foundation systems set forth in rules 15C-1 and 15C-2, Florida  
8 Administrative Code, are acceptable systems for all types of  
9 manufactured buildings.

10 Section 2. Subsection (12) is added to 553.37, Florida  
11 Statutes, to read:

12 553.37 Rules; inspections; and insignia.--

13 (12) A manufactured building that otherwise complies  
14 with this part and that is intended to be used for 2 years or  
15 less shall be permitted to use a foundation system designed  
16 and installed in accordance with the standards adopted  
17 pursuant to s. 320.8325(1). Use of the building shall be  
18 extended for an additional 2 years upon application to the  
19 authority having jurisdiction and an inspection of the  
20 foundation system to determine its integrity and ability to  
21 perform. An application for an extension may not be denied  
22 without a complete inspection and verified findings of fault  
23 with the foundation system. This subsection does not apply to  
24 a residential manufactured building or factory-built school.

25 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
26 law.

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
Senate Bill 128

The CS provides that certain foundation systems currently authorized for use in connection with mobile/manufactured homes may be utilized for all types of manufactured buildings. The CS also provides that manufactured buildings that are intended to be used for 2 years or less must be permitted to use a foundation system designed and installed in accordance with s. 320.8325(1), F.S. Use of the building may be extended for an additional two years upon application and inspection of the foundation.