

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 398 by Senator Foil

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" delete the remainder of the line and insert "R.S. 37:2150.1  
3 and 2155(A) and R.S. 40:1730.23(B) and to enact Part II of Chapter 24"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 4, change "2176.20" to "2176.18"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 2, line 4, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and insert "R.S.  
8 37:2150.1 and 2155(A) are hereby amended and reenacted and Part II of Chapter"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 2, line 6, change "2176.20" to "2176.18"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 5

12 On page 2, between lines 10 and 11 insert:

13                    "§2150.1. Definitions  
14                    As used in this Chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:  
15                    (1) "Board" means the State Licensing Board for Contractors.  
16                    (2) "Commercial" means any construction project except residential  
17 structures intended to be primarily occupied as a residence with no more than two  
18 separate dwelling units incorporated into one structure.  
19                    (3) "Contract" means an agreement to perform a scope of work that is  
20 regulated by this Chapter. The project value includes the entire cost of the labor,  
21 materials, rentals, and all direct and indirect project expenses. The cost of materials,  
22 rentals, and direct and indirect expenses shall be included regardless of who pays the  
23 costs or if they are donated. The "principal contract" is the agreement to perform the  
24 entire scope of work for a construction project.  
25                    (4)(a) "Contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or  
26 submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct,  
27 perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair,  
28 improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or  
29 furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or  
30 equipment for any of the following:  
31                    (i) Any building, highway, road, railroad, sewer, grading, excavation,  
32 pipeline, public utility structure, project development, housing, or housing  
33 development, improvement, or any other construction undertaking for which the  
34 project value is fifty thousand dollars or more when the property is to be used for  
35 commercial purposes.  
36                    (ii) Any new residential structure for which the project value is fifty thousand  
37 dollars or more when the property is used for residential purposes.  
38                    (iii) Any improvements or repairs to an existing residential structure for  
39 which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.  
40                    (iv) Any mold remediation for which the project value is seven thousand five  
41 hundred dollars or more.  
42                    (b) The term "contractor" includes persons who receive an additional fee for  
43 the employment or direction of labor, or any other work beyond the normal  
44 architectural or engineering services.

1 (c) A contractor holding a license in the major classification of hazardous  
2 materials, or any subclassifications thereunder, is defined in terms of work  
3 performed for which the project value is one dollar or more.

4 (d) "Contractor" does not mean any person, supplier, manufacturer, or  
5 employee of such person who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears  
6 down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such  
7 person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction  
8 undertaking. "Proprietary" means specific and specialized equipment installation,  
9 manufacturing processes, used, or components that are protected from disclosure to  
10 third parties by the owner or manufacturer of the equipment.

11 (5) "Controlled access" means the complete building or facility area under  
12 direct physical control within which an unauthorized person is denied access.

13 (6) "Electrical contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to,  
14 or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee,  
15 direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration,  
16 repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, or furnishing  
17 labor together with material and equipment, or installing the same for the wiring,  
18 fixtures, or appliances for the supply of electricity to any residential, commercial, or  
19 other project, for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more. This  
20 Paragraph is not deemed or construed to limit the authority of a contractor, general  
21 contractor, or residential contractor, as those terms are defined in this Section, nor  
22 to require such individuals to become an electrical contractor.

23 (7) "Employee" means a worker whose employer deducts taxes from his  
24 wages and reports his annual earnings to the Internal Revenue Service using a W-2  
25 form.

26 (8) "Executive director" means the person appointed by the board to serve as  
27 the chief operating officer in connection with the day-to-day operation of the board's  
28 business. The executive director is the appointing authority for all employees of the  
29 board.

30 **(9) "Extraordinary circumstances" means a federally declared disaster,**  
31 **a gubernatorially declared disaster or emergency, a pandemic, or an illness or**  
32 **emergency medical condition.**

33 **(10)(a) "Factory-built housing developer" means any person, group of**  
34 **persons, firm, partnership, corporation, association, company, or legal entity**  
35 **that sells, leases, or offers for sale or lease to the public, a lot together with the**  
36 **sale of a manufactured home permanently installed and fixed on a foundation**  
37 **on the lot and designed as a single family residence. For purposes of this Part,**  
38 **"factory-built housing developer" includes "contractors" and "residential**  
39 **contractors" as defined in this Section.**

40 **(b) "Factory-built housing developer" does not include any of the**  
41 **following:**

42 **(i) An individual selling his personal residence.**

43 **(ii) A real estate broker or real estate salesman retained by a person to**  
44 **sell a manufactured home together with a lot on which the manufactured home**  
45 **has been installed and fixed on a foundation.**

46 **(iii) A federally insured financial institution, its subsidiaries, or affiliates.**

47 **(11) "Factory-built housing dealer" means any person who is engaged,**  
48 **wholly or in part, in the business of buying, selling, distributing, brokering, or**  
49 **exchanging an interest in a manufactured or modular home with the intent to**  
50 **make a profit, monetary gain, or any thing of economic value. Any person who**  
51 **buys, sells, distributes, brokers, or exchanges an interest in more than one such**  
52 **manufactured or modular home in any twelve-month period shall be presumed**  
53 **to be a factory-built housing dealer. "Factory-built housing dealer" does not**  
54 **include any of the following:**

55 **(a) A public officer while performing his official duties.**

56 **(b) A receiver, trustee, administrator, executor, guardian, or any other**  
57 **person appointed by or acting pursuant to a judgment or order of any court.**

58 **(c) A federally insured financial institution, its subsidiaries, or affiliates;**  
59 **a finance company; or any other loan agency, whose principal place of business**  
60 **is located in Louisiana that acquires manufactured housing as an incident to its**  
61 **regular business.**

1 (d) A developer, a contractor licensed as a factory-built housing  
 2 developer as provided in this Section, or a real estate broker or real estate  
 3 salesman retained by a person to sell a manufactured home together with  
 4 immovable property on which the manufactured home is located.

5 (e) A manufactured housing community or park owner that sells less  
 6 than three manufactured homes in a twelve-month period, provided the  
 7 community or park owner has owned and leased the manufactured home being  
 8 sold for more than one year.

9 ~~(9)~~(12)(a) "General contractor" means a person who contracts directly with  
 10 the owner. The term "general contractor" includes the term "primary contractor" and  
 11 wherever used in this Chapter or in regulations promulgated thereunder "primary  
 12 contractor" means "general contractor".

13 (b) "General contractor" does not mean any person, supplier, manufacturer,  
 14 or employee of such person who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears  
 15 down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such  
 16 person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction  
 17 undertaking.

18 ~~(10)~~(13) "Home improvement" means the reconstruction, alteration,  
 19 renovation, repair, modernization, conversion, improvement, removal, or demolition,  
 20 or the construction of an addition to any preexisting residential structure which  
 21 building is used or designed to be used as a residence or dwelling unit, or to  
 22 structures which are adjacent to such residence or building for which the project  
 23 value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more. "Home improvement " does  
 24 not include services rendered gratuitously.

25 ~~(11)~~(14) "Home improvement contractor" means any person who undertakes  
 26 or attempts to undertake or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise,  
 27 superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of a home  
 28 improvement project for which the project value is at least seven thousand five  
 29 hundred dollars but less than fifty thousand dollars. A home improvement contractor  
 30 shall not perform any structural work that is integral to the structural integrity of any  
 31 new or existing structure, including but not limited to footings, foundations, outside  
 32 walls, skeleton, bearing columns and interior load bearing walls, floor slabs, or  
 33 roofing systems to any type.

34 ~~(12)~~(15) "License" means any form of license or registration the board is  
 35 authorized to issue in accordance with this Chapter.

36 **(16) "Manufactured home" and "manufactured housing" means a**  
 37 **factory-built, residential dwelling unit constructed to standards and codes, as**  
 38 **promulgated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban**  
 39 **Development (HUD), under the National Manufactured Housing Construction**  
 40 **and Safety Standards Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq., as amended. The**  
 41 **terms "manufactured home" and "manufactured housing" may be used**  
 42 **interchangeably and apply to structures bearing the permanently affixed seal**  
 43 **of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.**

44 **(17) "Manufactured housing code" means the National Manufactured**  
 45 **Home Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq.,**  
 46 **as amended, and federal regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, along with**  
 47 **any construction or installation-related standards adopted by the residential**  
 48 **subcommittee of the State Licensing Board for Contractors.**

49 **(18) "Manufacturer" means any person who manufactures**  
 50 **manufactured or modular housing.**

51 ~~(13)~~(19) "Mechanical contractor" means any person who undertakes to,  
 52 attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend,  
 53 oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction,  
 54 alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, or  
 55 furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material and equipment, or  
 56 installing the same for the construction, installation, maintenance, testing, and repair  
 57 of air conditioning, refrigeration, heating systems, and plumbing for all residential,  
 58 commercial, and industrial applications as well as ventilation systems, mechanical  
 59 work controls, boilers and other pressure vessels, steam and hot water systems and  
 60 piping, gas piping and fuel storage, and chilled water and condensing water systems  
 61 and piping, including but not limited to any type of industrial process piping and  
 62 related valves, fittings, and components, for which the project value is ten thousand

dollars or more. This Paragraph is not deemed or construed to limit the authority of a contractor, general contractor, or residential contractor, as those terms are defined in this Section, nor to require such individuals to become a mechanical contractor.

**(20) "Mobile home" means a factory-built, residential dwelling unit built to voluntary standards prior to the passage of the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974. "Mobile home" includes and is interchangeable with the term "house trailer", but does not include the term "manufactured home".**

**(21) "Modular home" and "modular housing" mean a factory-built, residential dwelling unit built to the International Residential Code as adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.**

**(22) "Modular housing code" means the International Residential Code as adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.**

~~(14)~~**(23)** "Mold remediation contractor" means any person who engages in removal, cleaning, sanitizing, demolition, or other treatment, including preventative activities, of mold or mold-contaminated matter that was not purposely grown at that location for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more. Mold remediation applies only to the regulation of mold-related activities that affect indoor air quality and does not apply to routine cleaning when not conducted for the purpose of mold-related activities intended to affect indoor air quality.

~~(15)~~**(24)** "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, association, cooperative, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity recognized by Louisiana law; and whether or not acting as a principal, trustee, fiduciary, receiver, or as any other kind of legal or personal representative, or as a successor in interest, assignee, agent, factor, servant, employee, director, officer, or any other representative of such person; or any state or local governing authority or political subdivision.

~~(16)~~**(25)** "Plumbing contractor" means any person who installs, maintains, and repairs potable and nonpotable tap water or sewer systems within a building structure or residential structure for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more.

~~(17)~~**(26)** "Principal" means an owner, shareholder, or an officer or director of a corporation; a member or manager of a limited liability company; a general partner of a partnership; a sole proprietor; a trustee; or a full-time employee with similar operational control or significant influence with respect to any person as determined by the board.

~~(18)~~**(27)** "Qualifying party" means a natural person designated by the contractor to represent the contractor for the purpose of complying with the provisions of this Chapter including but not limited to meeting the requirements for the initial license and any continuation thereof.

~~(19)~~**(28)(a)** "Residential contractor" means any person who constructs a fixed building or structure for sale or use by another as a residence or who, for a price, commission, fee, wage, or other compensation, undertakes or offers to undertake the construction or superintending of the construction of any residential structure which is not more than three floors in height, to be used by another as a residence, for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more. The term "residential contractor" includes all persons who receive an additional fee for the employment or direction of labor, or any other work beyond the normal architectural or engineering services.

(b) "Residential contractor" includes both of the following:

(i) Any person bidding or performing home improvement for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

(ii) Any person performing the installation of a modular home with a value equal to or greater than fifty thousand dollars for which the total project value shall not include the cost of the component parts of the modular home in the condition each part leaves the factory pursuant to R.S. 40:1730.71.

(c) "Residential contractor" does not include any person engaged in building residential structures that are built to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's construction standards for manufactured housing as outlined at 42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq., or mounted on a metal chassis and wheels.

~~(20)~~**(29)** "Residential roofing" means the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing

labor together with materials or equipment, or the installation of materials or equipment for any phase of roofing specific to a residential structure for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

~~(21)~~**(30)** "Residential roofing contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid, or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of a residential roofing project for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

~~(22)~~**(31)** "Residential structure" means a building or structure that is used primarily for occupancy by a person as a residence. Such structures or buildings include but are not limited to single family dwellings and duplexes which are not more than three floors in height and structures that are part of or adjacent to the building or structures to be used as a residence. A residential structure more than three floors in height may be built by a person holding a building construction and residential construction license.

**(32) "Residential subcommittee" means the Residential Contractors Subcommittee of the State Licensing Board for Contractors.**

**(33) "Salesman" means any person employed by a factory-built housing dealer or factory-built housing developer for purposes of selling manufactured or modular housing to the public.**

**(34) "Seal" or "label" means the permanently-affixed device or insignia issued by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or other authority having jurisdiction that is displayed on the exterior of a factory-built manufactured or modular home, certifying that the home is in compliance with the manufactured housing code or the modular housing code.**

~~(23)~~**(35)** "Subcontract" means an agreement to perform a portion of the scope of work contained in the principal contract including the entire cost of labor and materials of that part of the principal contract which is performed by the subcontractor.

~~(24)~~**(36)(a)** "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts to perform a scope of work that is a part of the scope of work contained in the principal contract.

(b) "Subcontractor" does not include any person, supplier, or manufacturer who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction undertaking.

**(37) "Transporter" means an individual who transports a manufactured or modular home to a site of installation but does not perform any blocking or anchoring of the home, except a transporter is allowed to put blocks under the hitch on the tongue of the frame.**

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AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, delete lines 7 through 29 and delete pages 4 and 5.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 6, delete lines 1 through 4

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 6, delete line 5 and insert "**§2176.1. Establishment of uniform standards codes**"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 6, line 6, change "**R.S. 37:2176.1,**" to "**R.S. 37:2150.1,**"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 6, line 8, change "**Code**" to "**manufactured housing code or the modular housing code**"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 11

2 On page 6, line 9, change "§2176.3" to "§2176.2"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 12

4 On page 6, line 11, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 13

6 On page 6, line 14, delete "residential contractor's" and insert "dealer's"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 14

8 On page 6, line 21, change "being" to "be"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 15

10 On page 6, at the end of line 25, delete "residential"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 16

12 On page 6, at the beginning of line 26, delete "contractor's" and insert "dealer's"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 17

14 On page 7, line 4, change "37:2176.6" to "37:2176.5"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 18

16 On page 7, line 5, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 19

18 On page 7, line 6, change "developers" to "developer"

19 AMENDMENT NO. 20

20 On page 7, line 18, change "Such" to "Any"

21 AMENDMENT NO. 21

22 On page 7, line 20, delete "residential contractor's" and insert "dealer's"

23 AMENDMENT NO. 22

24 On page 7, at the end of line 23, delete "residential"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 23

26 On page 7, at the beginning of line 24, delete "contractor" and insert "dealer's"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 24

28 On page 7, line 26, delete "residential contractor's" and insert "dealer's"

29 AMENDMENT NO. 25

30 On page 7, line 27, after "(3)" delete the remainder of the line and insert "Each retailer and  
31 developer shall be required to have at least one licensed"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 26

2 On page 8, delete lines 3 through 29 and on page 9, delete lines 1 through 3 and insert:

3 "shall be in the form and detail as prescribed by the residential  
4 subcommittee.

5 E.(1) The applicant, each principal, and each designated qualifying party  
6 shall complete an application and pass a background investigation. An applicant  
7 shall provide all information or documentation requested by the board,  
8 including but not limited to documentation relative to identification, criminal  
9 history, and financial history. The board may deny approval of the applicant,  
10 any of its principals, or any qualifying party for cause. The background  
11 investigation shall be conducted in relation to all of the following:

12 (a) Fiduciary or monetary matters including but not limited to any  
13 bankruptcy, judgment, insolvency, or lien.

14 (b) Any criminal offense resulting in a conviction, guilty plea, or plea of  
15 nolo contendere.

16 (2) The residential subcommittee may deny approval of an applicant, a  
17 principal, or a designated qualifying party for any of the following reasons:

18 (a) For cause.

19 (b) The applicant, principal, or designated qualifying party does not have  
20 an established place of business that is used or will be used for the purpose of  
21 selling, displaying, and offering for sale or dealing in manufactured housing.

22 (c) For a violation of any provision of this Part."

23 AMENDMENT NO. 27

24 On page 9, line 4, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 28

26 On page 9, at the end of line 12, delete "residential"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 29

28 On page 9, at the beginning of line 13, delete "contractor" and insert "dealer"

29 AMENDMENT NO. 30

30 On page 9, line 27, change "R.S. 37:2176.6." to "R.S. 37:2176.5." and delete the remainder  
31 of the line

32 AMENDMENT NO. 31

33 On page 9, delete lines 28 through 29

34 AMENDMENT NO. 32

35 On page 10, delete line 1 and insert "If a license is not renewed within a period of one  
36 year from the date of its expiration, it is no longer eligible for renewal. An application  
37 for a new license may be submitted and upon approval, a new license shall be issued.  
38 Renewal of a factory-built housing dealer license shall require each factory-built  
39 housing dealer"

40 AMENDMENT NO. 33

41 On page 10, line 7, change "R.S. 37:2176.6" to "R.S. 37:2176.5"

42 AMENDMENT NO. 34

43 On page 10, line 15, change "R.S. 37:2176.6." to "R.S. 37:2176.5." and delete the remainder  
44 of the line.

1 AMENDMENT NO. 35

2 On page 10, delete lines 16 through 18 and insert:

3 **"If a license is not renewed within a period of one year from the date of**  
4 **its expiration, it is no longer eligible for renewal. An application for a new**  
5 **license may be submitted and upon approval, a new license shall be issued.**  
6 **Renewal of a factory-built housing dealer's license shall require the factory-**  
7 **built housing dealer"**

8 AMENDMENT NO. 36

9 On page 10, line 24, change "R.S. 37:2176.6" to "R.S. 37:763.1"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 37

11 On page 11, delete lines 11 through 14

12 AMENDMENT NO. 38

13 On page 11, line 15, delete "residential contractors" and insert "dealers"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 39

15 On page 11, line 20, after "requirements" delete the remainder of the line

16 AMENDMENT NO. 40

17 On page 11, delete lines 21 through 24 and insert "pursuant to R.S. 37:2155(G)(3)."

18 AMENDMENT NO. 41

19 On page 11, line 25, delete "residential contractor's" and insert "dealer"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 42

21 On page 11, line 27, change "fifty thousand" to "two hundred fifty thousand"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 43

23 On page 11, at the end of line 28, after "subcommittee" and before the "." insert "for  
24 consumer protection and proof of net worth"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 44

26 On page 11, at the end of line 29, delete "residential"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 45

28 On page 12, line 1, delete "contractors" and insert "dealer's"

29 AMENDMENT NO. 46

30 On page 12, delete lines 2 through 6 and insert "January 1, 2004, shall take a class and  
31 pass an"

32 AMENDMENT NO. 47

33 On page 12, delete line 12 and insert "dealers, residential contractors, factory-built  
34 housing"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 48

2 On page 12, line 14, delete "one" and insert "five"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 49

4 On page 12, line 17, change "§2176.4" to "§2176.3" and at the end of the line delete  
5 "residential contractors" and insert "dealers"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 50

7 On page 12, at the end of line 20, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 51

9 On page 12, at the end of line 26, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 52

11 On page 13, line 4, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 53

13 On page 13, line 6, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 54

15 On page 13, line 14, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 55

17 On page 13, line 17, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 56

19 On page 13, line 25, delete "residential contractors" and insert "dealer"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 57

21 On page 13, line 27, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 58

23 On page 14, line 4, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 59

25 On page 14, line 7, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

26 AMENDMENT NO. 60

27 On page 14, line 8, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealer"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 61

29 On page 14, line 10, change "§2176.5" to "§2176.4"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 62

31 On page 14, at the end of line 13, delete "residential"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 63

2 On page 14, at the beginning of line 14, delete "contractors" and insert "dealers"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 64

4 On page 14, line 15, change "Part II" to "Part II-A"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 65

6 On page 14 delete lines 16 through 18

7 AMENDMENT NO. 66

8 On page 14, line 19, change "(3)" to "(2)"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 67

10 On page 14, line 20, delete "residential contractor" and insert "dealers"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 68

12 On page 14, at the end of line 23, insert "The residential subcommittee may, prior to  
13 convening a formal hearing, establish a date for arbitration or mediation and in its  
14 discretion, the residential subcommittee may defer its authority to conduct a hearing  
15 and render a determination to an independent third-party arbitrator or mediator to  
16 hear and resolve complaints brought before the residential subcommittee. If the  
17 complaint is not resolved through arbitration or mediation, the residential  
18 subcommittee may appoint a three-member panel to conduct an initial review of the  
19 complaint. All costs associated with such arbitration or mediation shall be borne by the  
20 board."

21 AMENDMENT NO. 69

22 On page 14, line 24, change "(4)" to "(3)"

23 AMENDMENT NO. 70

24 On page 14, line 28, change "(5)" to "(4)"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 71

26 On page 15, delete lines 2 through 4

27 AMENDMENT NO. 72

28 On page 15, line 5, change "(7)" to "(5)"

29 AMENDMENT NO. 73

30 On page 15, line 7, change "(8)" to "(6)"

31 AMENDMENT NO. 74

32 On page 15, line 10, change "(9)" to "(7)"

33 AMENDMENT NO. 75

34 On page 15, line 11, change "Part II" to "Part II-A"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 76

2 On page 15, line 13, change "(10)" to "(8)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 77

4 On page 15, line 23, after "**Paragraph.**" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 24  
5 through 26 and insert: "**The residential subcommittee may adopt rules in accordance**  
6 **with the Administrative Procedure Act as are necessary to implement the provisions**  
7 **of this Paragraph.**"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 78

9 On page 15, line 27, change "(11)" to "(9)"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 79

11 On page 15, line 29, change "(12)" to "(10)"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 80

13 On page 16, line 3, change "§2176.6" to "§2176.5"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 81

15 On page 16, line 15, change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 82

17 On page 16, line 25, change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 83

19 On page 16, line 26, change "§2176.7" to "§2176.6"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 84

21 On page 17, line 1, change "§2176.8" to "§2176.7"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 85

23 On page 17, line 8, change "§2176.9" to "§2176.8"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 86

25 On page 17, line 26, delete "**residential subcommittee**" and insert "**board**"

26 AMENDMENT NO. 87

27 On page 17, line 29, after "**therfor.**" delete the remainder of the line

28 AMENDMENT NO. 88

29 On page 18, delete lines 1 through 4

30 AMENDMENT NO. 89

31 On page 18, delete lines 8 through 12

32 AMENDMENT NO. 90

33 On page 18, line 13, change "E." to "D."

1 AMENDMENT NO. 91

2 On page 18, line 16, change "**Code**" to "**manufactured housing code or the modular**  
3 **housing code**"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 92

5 On page 18, line 17, change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 93

7 On page 18, line 19, change "**§2176.10**" to "**§2176.9**"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 94

9 On page 18, delete lines 20 through 25 and insert:

10 **"Any person licensed by the residential subcommittee who is domiciled**  
11 **outside of this state and does not maintain a place of business in this state shall**  
12 **appoint a registered agent with the secretary of state to serve as his agent for**  
13 **service of process in any action or proceeding arising from the licensee's**  
14 **business activities.**"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 95

16 On page 18, line 26, change "**§2176.11**" to "**§2176.10**"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 96

18 On page 18, line 29, change "**Code**" to "**manufactured housing code the modular housing**  
19 **code,**" and change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 97

21 On page 19, delete lines 5 through 8 and insert:

22 **"B. Venue lies in the Nineteenth Judicial District Court."**

23 AMENDMENT NO. 98

24 On page 19, line 13, change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 99

26 On page 19, line 17, change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 100

28 On page 19, line 22, change "**Code,**" to "**manufactured housing code, the modular**  
29 **housing code,**"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 101

31 On page 19, line 23, change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

32 AMENDMENT NO. 102

33 On page 19, delete lines 26 through 29

34 AMENDMENT NO. 103

35 On page 20, delete lines 1 through 8

1 AMENDMENT NO. 104

2 On page 20, line 9, change "§2176.13" to "§2176.11"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 105

4 On page 20, line 11, change "Code" to "manufactured housing code, the modular housing  
5 code,"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 106

7 On page 20, line 12, change "Part II" to "Part II-A" and change "are" to "is"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 107

9 On page 20, line 15, change "Code" to "manufactured housing code or the modular  
10 housing code" and change "Part II" to "Part II-A"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 108

12 On page 20, line 19, change "Code, or" to "manufactured housing code, the modular  
13 housing code,"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 109

15 On page 20, line 20, change "Part II" to "Part II-A"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 110

17 On page 20, line 23, change "§2176.14" to "§2176.12"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 111

19 On page 20, line 26, change "Part II" to "Part II-A"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 112

21 On page 20, delete line 27, and insert "violations of the manufactured housing code, the  
22 modular housing code, or any provision of this"

23 AMENDMENT NO. 113

24 On page 20, line 28, change "Part II" to "Part II-A"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 114

26 On page 21, line 3, change "§2176.15" to "§2176.13"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 115

28 On page 21, delete lines 4 and 5, and insert "A. Whoever is found guilty of violating the  
29 manufactured housing code, the modular housing code, any provision of this Part, Part  
30 II-A of this Chapter, any rule or"

31 AMENDMENT NO. 116

32 On page 21, line 6, change "any regulation" to "regulation," and after "state" delete "of"

33 AMENDMENT NO. 117

34 On page 21, at the beginning of line 7, delete "Louisiana"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 118

2 On page 21, line 18, change "**Code or** " to "**manufactured housing code, the modular**  
3 **housing code, any provision**"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 119

5 On page 21, line 19, change "**II**" to "**II-A**"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 120

7 On page 21, line 23, change "**§2176.16**" to "**§2176.14**"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 121

9 On page 21, line 24, after "**provision**" and before "**of this**" delete "**or item**"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 122

11 On page 21, line 29, change "**§2176.17**" to "**§2176.15**"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 123

13 On page 22, line 7, change "**§2176.18**" to "**§2176.16**"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 124

15 On page 22, line 11, change "**Code**" to "**manufactured housing code or the modular**  
16 **housing code**" and after "**and**" delete the remainder of the line

17 AMENDMENT NO. 125

18 On page 22, delete line 12, and insert "**any provision of this Part, Part II-A of this**  
19 **Chapter, or any rule or**"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 126

21 On page 22, line 17, change "**Part II**" to "**Part II-A**"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 127

23 On page 22, line 19, change "**§2176.19**" to "**§2176.17**"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 128

25 On page 22, line 24, delete "**residential contractor,**" and insert "**dealer**"

26 AMENDMENT NO. 129

27 On page 23, line 3, change "**§2176.20**" to "**§2176.18**"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 130

29 On page 23, line 5, change "**residential contractor**" to "**dealer**"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 131

31 On page 23, line 13, change "**residential contractor**" to "**dealer**"

32 AMENDMENT NO. 132

33 On page 24, delete lines 28 and 29

- 1 AMENDMENT NO. 133
- 2 On page 25, line 1, change "(4)" to "(3)"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 134
- 4 On page 25, line 2, delete "this Section" and insert "R.S. 37:2150.1"
- 5 AMENDMENT NO. 135
- 6 On page 25, line 3, change "(5)" to "(4)"
- 7 AMENDMENT NO. 136
- 8 On page 25, line 5, change "(6)" to "(5)"
- 9 AMENDMENT NO. 137
- 10 On page 25, delete lines 17 through 27
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 138
- 12 On page 25, line 28, change "(9)" to "(6)"
- 13 AMENDMENT NO. 139
- 14 On page 26, line 2, change "(10)" to "(7)"
- 15 AMENDMENT NO. 140
- 16 On page 31, delete lines 5 through 7
- 17 AMENDMENT NO. 141
- 18 On page 31, line 8, change "(2)" to "(1)"
- 19 AMENDMENT NO. 142
- 20 On page 31, line 11, change "(3)" to "(2)"
- 21 AMENDMENT NO. 143
- 22 On page 31, line 14 , change "(4)" to "(3)"
- 23 AMENDMENT NO. 144
- 24
- 25 On page 31, line 16, change "(5)" to "(4)"
- 26 AMENDMENT NO. 145
- 27 On page 31, line 19, change "(6)" to "(5)"
- 28 AMENDMENT NO. 146
- 29 On page 31, at the beginning of line 22, change "(7)" to "(6)" and at the end of the line delete
- 30 "residential subcommittee" and insert "board"
- 31 AMENDMENT NO. 147
- 32 On page 31, delete lines 24 through 29

1 AMENDMENT NO. 148

2 On page 32, delete lines 1 through 9

3 AMENDMENT NO. 149

4 On page 32, line 10, change "(11)" to "(7)"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 150

6 On page 32, line 14, change "(12)" to "(8)"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 151

8 On page 32, line 19, change "(13)" to "(9)"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 152

10 On page 32, line 21, change "(14)" to "(10)"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 153

12 On page 42, at the beginning of line 15, after "Multiple" insert "installations"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 154

14 On page 43, at the end of line 6, delete "residential subcommittee" and insert "board"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 155

16 On page 43, at the end of line 7, delete "state fire marshal" and insert "executive director  
17 of the board"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 156

19 On page 43, line 28, after "agent" insert "or residential subcommittee"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 157

21 On page 44, delete lines 4 and 5

22 AMENDMENT NO. 158

23 On page 44, line 6, change "(4)" to "(3)"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 159

25 On page 44, line 8, change "(5)" to "(4)"

26 AMENDMENT NO. 160

27 On page 44, line 10, change "(6)" to "(5)"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 161

29 On page 45, line 2, change "R.S.40:1730(B)" to "R.S. 40:1730.23(B)" and change "enacted"  
30 to "reenacted"

31 AMENDMENT NO. 162

32 On page 46, after line 11, insert:

1 "Section 4. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2027"