INFORMATION BULLETIN (2017-05) (SHL, RT, MP)

TO: State Housing Law Program
Registration and Titling Program
Mobilehome Parks Program
Interested Parties
Division Staff

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SUBJECT: 2017 Legislative Changes

This Information Bulletin summarizes the legislative changes for 2017 to California laws that impact the Division of Codes and Standards. The amendments, repeals, and additions to the Californian laws summarized in this Information Bulletin become effective January 1, 2018, unless otherwise specified in the legislation.

State Housing Law Program

AB 367(Obernolte) Chapter 612, Statutes of 2017
Water supply: building permits.
This bill adds non-natural disaster related fire to the specified conditions under which a home can be rebuilt if it is reliant on bottled water, a retail water facility, a water-vending machine, or a water hauler for its water supply. Existing law prohibits a city, including a charter city, or a county from issuing a building permit for the construction of a new residential development where a source of water supply is transported by a water hauler, bottled water, a water-vending machine, or a retail water facility. This bill exempts residences that will be rebuilt because of fire from such requirement.
Manufactured Homes / Mobilehomes / Special Occupancy Parks

**AB 294 (Gipson) Chapter 31, Statutes of 2017**

**Mobilehome Parks: disclosure**
This bill specifies that mobilehome park management must provide the owner's contact information within ten days of a written request by a resident of the park. Existing law requires the name, business address, and business telephones number of a mobilehome park owner be supplied when requested by a homeowner but does not dictate the manner in which the request shall be made nor a time frame of which response is required.

**SB 147 (Dodd)-Chapter 767, Statutes of 2017**

**Mobilehome parks: residency**
This bill clarifies, modifies, and modernizes the law governing guests, companions, live-in caregivers, and supervision in a mobilehome. This bill also aligns the requirements for documenting the need for live-in care for mobilehome residents with disability accommodation law applicable to traditional rental housing.

**SB 542 (Leyva) –Chapter 832, Statutes of 2017**

**Notice of Transfer and Release of Liability**
This bill severs the former owner’s obligation to pay any further taxes or fees accruing on a manufactured home (including mobilehomes, commercial modulars, and floating homes) once the former owner has properly endorsed, delivered the certificate of title to the new owner, and submitted a notice of transfer or sale to the Department of Housing and Community Development (Department). The Department will develop a notice of transfer and release of liability form.

This summary of legislative changes is not represented to be a complete digest of all new laws affecting the Division of Codes and Standards’ programs. The complete text of each law can be reviewed through the California Legislative information website at [http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/).

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