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Dear Chairman Hall:

This office has received your rulemaking for new manufactured homes; 4 CSR 240-120.011; 4 CSR 240-120.031; 4 CSR 240-120.060; 4 CSR 240-120.065; 4 CSR 240-120.070; 4 CSR 240-120.080; 4 CSR 240-120.085; 4 CSR 240-120.090; 4 CSR 240-120.100; 4 CSR 240-120.110; 4 CSR 240-120.120; 4 CSR 240-120.130; and 4 CSR 240-120.140.

This office also has received your rulemaking for pre-owned manufactured homes: 4 CSR 240-121.010; 4 CSR 240-121.020; 4 CSR 240-121.030; 4 CSR 240-121.040; 4 CSR 240-121.050; 4 CSR 240-121.060; and 4 CSR 240-121.180.

This office also has received your rulemaking for modular units: 4 CSR 240-123.010; 4 CSR 240-123.020; 4 CSR 240-123.030; 4 CSR 240-123.040; 4 CSR 240-123.050; 4 CSR 240-123.060; 4 CSR 240-123.065; 4 CSR 240-123.070; 4 CSR 240-123.080; 4 CSR 240-123.090; and 4 CSR 240-123.095.

This office also has received your rulemaking for manufactured home tie-down systems: 4 CSR 240-124.010; 4 CSR 240-124.020; 4 CSR 240-124.030; 4 CSR 240-124.040; 4 CSR 240-124.045; 4 CSR 240-124.050; and 4 CSR 240-124.060.

This office also has received your rulemaking for manufactured home installers: 4 CSR 240-125.010; 4 CSR 240-125.020; 4 CSR 240-125.040; 4 CSR 240-125.050; 4 CSR 240-125.060; 4 CSR 240-125.070; and 4 CSR 240-125.090.

This office also has received your rulemaking for the manufactured housing consumer recovery fund: 4 CSR 240-126.010 and 4 CSR 240-126.020.

Finally, this office has received your rulemaking for manufactured homes and modular units, 4 CSR 240-127.010.

Executive Order 17-03 requires this office's approval before state agencies release proposed regulations for notice and comment, amend existing regulations, or adopt new regulations. After our review of this rulemaking, we approve the rules' submission to JCAR and the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,

Justin D. Smith Deputy Counsel



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Re: 4 CSR 240-126.010 Definitions

Dear Secretary Ashcroft,

CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

I do hereby certify that the attached is an accurate and complete copy of the order of rulemaking lawfully submitted by the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Statutory Authority: section 700.040 and 700.041, RSMo 2016.

If there are any questions regarding the content of this order of rulemaking, please contact:

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Title 4 – DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240 – Public Service Commission Chapter 126 – Manufactured Housing Consumer Recovery Fund

ORDER OF RULEMAKING



By the authority vested in the Public Service Commission under section 700.040, RSMo 2016, the commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-126.010 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on August 15, 2017 (42 MoReg 1192). Changes to the proposed amendment are reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The public comment period ended September 15, 2017, and the commission held a public hearing on the proposed amendment on September 22, 2017. The commission received timely written comments from four manufactured housing industry representatives including: Thomas Hagar, Executive Director, Missouri Manufactured Housing Association (MMHA); Bryan Crump, Cedar Creek Homes; Timothy L. DeVine, Your Home Center L.L.C.; and Jamie Smith. Managing Partner/General Manager, Clayton Homes of Lebanon, and Vice-President-Board of Directors of MMHA. The commission also received timely written comments from the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (staff) and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel). At the public hearing testimony was received from five commenters: Mark Johnson, Staff Counsel representing staff; Rich AuBuchon, an attorney representing MMHA; Bryan Crump; Jamie Smith; and Tom Hagar. The industry representatives opposed many of the proposed amendments in other rules being promulgated simultaneously with this rule on the grounds that they would be burdensome on the manufactured housing industry. Staff explained the reason for the amendments and supported these amendments. Staff also proposed a change to the rule. Public Counsel made a general comment about citation.

COMMENT #1: Public Counsel suggested in a written comment that "Chapter 127" be identified as an administrative rule so that it was not mistaken as a statute.

RESPONSE: Public Counsel may have been commenting on a draft of the amended rule. The suggested change was made prior to publication.

COMMENT #2: Mr. Hagar made a general written comment regarding the amendments proposed to the entire package of manufactured housing rules. He expressed concern that the date set for the hearing did not allow the MMHA members sufficient time to

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review and prepare comments on the rule amendments. Mr. Hagar requested the hearing be delayed.

RESPONSE: The date for the hearing had already been published in the *Missouri Register* when the comment was received, and could not be postponed. Members of the MMHA participated in the hearing and filed written comments.

COMMENT #3: Mr. Smith and Mr. DeVine filed written comments opposing the complete package of rule changes in general, though not specifically the changes in this rule. The commenters stated that the changes to manufactured housing rules would add excessive regulations on the manufactured housing industry, deter business growth, and add costs to consumers.

RESPONSE: Numerous changes have been made to other manufactured housing rules in response to industry and staff comments. However, because the changes proposed to this rule relate only to defining terms and adding citations, no changes have been made as a result of these comments.

COMMENT #4: Mr. AuBuchon commented at the hearing on behalf of the MMHA. Mr. Crump and Mr. Smith commented at the hearing that they agreed with Mr. AuBuchon's comments. Mr. AuBuchon gave general comments about and a history of the rulemaking process for all the manufactured housing rules that are being simultaneously promulgated with this rule. Mr. AuBuchon also made suggestions about how the commission could have communicated better with the industry.

RESPONSE: The comments of the manufactured housing industry representatives are appreciated by the commission. However, because the process was completed in accordance with the statutory requirements and the comments were general in nature, no changes to the rules were made as a result of these general comments. The comments specific to other manufactured housing rules are addressed in the context of those rules.

COMMENT #5: Staff supported the proposed amendments to this rule and explained that the amendments were being proposed in order to streamline all of the commission's manufactured housing regulations. These particular amendments would consolidate most definitions into one location. Staff also recommended deleting the word "shall" in section (1) as it was superfluous.

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: The commission agrees with staff that consolidating these definitions will streamline the regulations. It will also adopt the recommended deletion of the word "shall" in section (1).

4 CSR 240-126,010 Definitions

(1) The following definitions, as well as those set out in section 700.010, RSMo, and 4 CSR 240-127 apply to this chapter: