ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 195—ASSEMBLYMEN OHRENSCHALL, MANENDO, PERKINS, BUCKLEY, KOIVISTO, MCCLAIN, MORTENSON, BACHE, WILLIAMS, PRICE, GIBBONS, PARKS, CARPENTER, LEE, THOMAS, LESLIE, GIUNCHIGLIANI, VON TOBEL, ANDERSON, CHOWNING AND ARBERRY

## FEBRUARY 10, 1999

## Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Makes various changes to provisions governing mobile home parks. (BDR 10-516)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to mobile home parks; revising the eligibility requirements for receiving assistance from the fund for low-income owners of mobile homes; authorizing a waiver from the eligibility requirements under certain circumstances; providing authority for law enforcement agencies of certain cities and counties to patrol the common areas of mobile home parks; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** NRS 118B.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 118B.215 1. There is hereby created as a special revenue fund in the
- 3 state treasury the fund for low-income owners of mobile homes, to be
- 4 administered by the division. All money received for the use of the fund
- 5 pursuant to NRS 118B.213 or from any other source must be deposited in
- 6 the fund.

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- 2. The interest and income earned on the money in the fund, after
- 8 deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the fund. All claims
- 9 against the fund must be paid as other claims against the state are paid.
  - 3. The money in the fund may be used only to pay necessary
- administrative costs and to assist eligible persons by supplementing their
- 12 monthly rent for the mobile home lot on which their mobile home is

located. [To] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, to be eligible for assistance from the fund a person must:

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, have been a tenant in the same mobile home park in this state for at least 1 year immediately preceding his application for assistance;
- (b) Be the registered owner of the mobile home which is subject to the tenancy, as indicated on the certificate of ownership that is issued by the division pursuant to NRS 489.541;
- (c) Have a monthly household income, as determined by the administrator in accordance with subsection 4, which is at or below:
- (1) The federally designated level signifying poverty or \$750, whichever is greater, if the person is the sole occupant of the mobile home; 12 13
  - (2) The federally designated level signifying poverty or \$1,125, whichever is greater, if the person is not the sole occupant of the mobile
  - (d) Be a tenant in a mobile home park that is operated for profit and maintain continuous tenancy in that park during the duration of the supplemental assistance; and
  - (e) Not have assets whose value is more than [\$10,000,] \$12,000, excluding the value of [the]:
    - (1) The mobile home which is subject to the tenancy [, the];
    - (2) The contents of that mobile home; and [one]
    - (3) One motor vehicle.

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A person who has been a tenant of a mobile home park in this state for at least 1 year, but has not been a tenant of the mobile home park in which he resides at the time he applies for assistance for at least 1 year, is eligible for assistance from the fund if he moved to the mobile home park in which he resides at the time of his application because he was unable to pay the rent at the mobile home park from which he moved or because that park was closed.

- In determining the monthly household income of an applicant pursuant to subsection 3, the administrator shall exclude from the calculation:
- (a) The value of any food stamps the applicant received pursuant to the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§ 2011 et seq., during the year immediately preceding his application for assistance; or
- (b) If the applicant is receiving coverage pursuant to Medicare Part B, 38 42 U.S.C. §§ 1395j et seq., the value of the cost of such coverage during 40 the year immediately preceding his application for assistance, whichever is greater.

- The administrator may waive the requirements for eligibility set forth in subsection 3 upon the written request of an applicant if the circumstances of the applicant have changed as a result of:
- (a) Illness:

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- (b) Disability; or
- (c) Extreme financial hardship based upon a significant reduction of income, when considering the applicant's current financial circumstances.
- An applicant shall include with his request for a waiver all medical and financial documents that support his request.
  - The administrator shall adopt regulations establishing:
  - (a) The annual reporting requirements for persons receiving assistance pursuant to this section. The regulations must require that each such person provide the division with a written acknowledgment of his continued eligibility for assistance.
  - (b) The maximum amount of assistance which may be distributed to a person to supplement his monthly rent pursuant to this section.
    - [5.] 7. As used in this section:
  - (a) "Mobile home" includes a travel trailer that is located on a mobile home lot within a mobile home park.
  - (b) "Monthly household income" means the combined monthly incomes of the occupants of a mobile home which is subject to the tenancy for which assistance from the fund is requested.
    - (c) "Travel trailer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 489.150.
  - **Sec. 2.** Chapter 244 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- The board of county commissioners of a county whose population is 400,000 or more shall enact an ordinance authorizing the members of the county law enforcement agency to patrol and provide for the public safety within the common areas of a mobile home park that is located within the unincorporated area of the county and into or upon which the 32 public is admitted by easement, license or otherwise.
  - 2. As used in this section, "mobile home park" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 118B.017.
  - **Sec. 3.** Chapter 268 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- The governing body of each city located in a county whose 37 population is 400,000 or more shall enact an ordinance authorizing the 39 members of the law enforcement agency of the city to patrol and provide 40 for the public safety within the common areas of a mobile home park 41 that is located within the city and into or upon which the public is 42 admitted by easement, license or otherwise.

1 2. As used in this section, "mobile home park" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 118B.017.

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