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H. P. 1729

House of Representatives, January 2, 1974

Referred to Committee on Business Legislation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Boudreau of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FOUR

AN ACT Relating to Minimum Warranty Standard for Mobile Homes.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, there are possible ambiguities and needs for clarification in the Minimum Warranty Standard For Mobile Homes Law which was enacted in the 1973 regular session of the 106th Legislature; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to avoid the uncertainty which might arise among mobile home purchasers as a result of such ambiguities; and

Whereas, a number of mobile home dealers intend to avoid the intent of the Minimum Standard Warranty Law by refusing to give mobile home purchasers a written warranty standard; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., T. 10, § 1404, amended. The first paragraph of section 1404 of Title 10 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 435 of the public laws of 1973, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Both the manufacturer of the mobile home and the dealer who sells the mobile home must provide a warranty to the purchaser which shall be set forth in writing and shall contain the following terms:

Emergency clause. . In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.