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## Congressmen Flood & Cleaver Introduce the Streamlining Manufactured Housing Standards Act



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## **Press Release**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. –** Today, U.S. Rep. Mike Flood (R-Nebraska) and Rep. Emanuel Cleaver (D-Missouri) introduced the "Streamlining Manufactured Housing Standards Act." This legislation clarifies that only the U.S. Housing and Urban Development agency has authority to establish energy efficiency and safety standards for manufactured housing.

"America has been grappling with a housing crisis and cutting red tape is one of the key tools to helping home builders create more housing," said **Rep. Flood**. "Manufactured homes have historically been built to a HUD code, and in order to make manufactured homes a cost-effective option for consumers we must ensure that HUD has primary authority over all manufactured housing standards. Thank you to my colleague Rep.

Cleaver for helping to lead this effort, and I look forward to working together to move this legislation through our committee and the full House."

"American families are drowning under a national housing affordability crisis that is limiting economic opportunity and sowing pessimism in the future," said **Rep. Cleaver**. "By clarifying HUD's important role in maintaining home energy efficiency standards, we will ensure that federal experts in housing are the ones overseeing quality projects that enable the construction of manufactured housing nationwide. I'm proud to introduce this bipartisan legislation with Chairman Flood as we seek to lower housing costs by streamlining the regulation of quality, affordable homes in communities that need them most."

"For more than 50 years, our industry has partnered with HUD to help millions of Americans achieve the dream of homeownership. The Streamlining Manufactured Housing Standards Act reaffirms HUD's sole authority over our construction standards, preserving the integrity of this long-standing partnership. Manufactured housing is the only form of housing built to a federal construction code, and we do it at scale—delivering quality homes across the country at attainable prices. We commend Chairman Flood and Ranking Member Cleaver for their bipartisan leadership in protecting the regulatory efficiency that is central to this partnership. Regulatory efficiency, combined with factory-built efficiency, is the formula that makes manufactured housing the most affordable quality homeownership option available. This bill preserves the regulatory side of that equation and strengthens a vital housing solution for families nationwide," said Lesli Gooch, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer of the Manufactured Housing Institute.

Rep. Flood is a member of the Housing Financial Services Committee and the chair of the Housing and Insurance Subcommittee. He also serves as the Chair of the Republican Main Street Caucus.

Rep. Flood has introduced numerous pieces of legislation shaping housing policy, including most recently the "Unlocking Housing Supply Through Streamlined and Modernized Reviews Act."

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