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Subcommittee Passes Bill for HUD Code Supremacy

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A subcommittee of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce has passed a bill to change the U.S. Department of Energy's role to an advisory capacity when it comes to energy standards for the construction of manufactured homes.

The bill, H.R. 5184, was introduced by Rep. Erin Houchin of Indiana and Housing Subcommittee Chairman Mike Flood of Nebraska. The Affordable Housing Over Mandating Efficiency Standards — otherwise known as the Affordable HOMES Act — passed by a voice vote and has been moved to the full Energy and Commerce committee for consideration, the Manufactured Housing Institute said in a recent communication to members.

The bill repeals Section 413 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, and ensures that the DOE's final rule on Energy Conservation Standards for Manufactured Housing will have no force or effect. Section 413 directed the DOE to establish energy efficiency construction standards for manufactured housing, an abrupt change from the long-standing authority of HUD to decide on federal construction standards for manufactured homes via the HUD Code.

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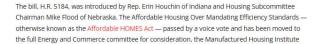


















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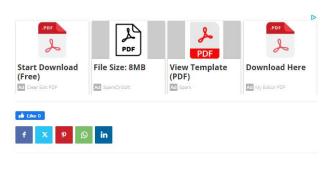




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