

2 Pre-publication draft of developing report on MHProNews for third-party artificial intelligence (AI) facts-evidence-analysis check.

Tension Between Legality, Morality, Perception and Reality. NDAA-ROAD to Housing Act 'Chess Moves.' 'Champion or Gatekeeper Defined by Legislation Allowed to Pass or Strategically Impede' FEA

Chess-like moves for the 2026 midterms and 2028 elections are well underway. The optics connected to "The Renewing Opportunity in the American Dream to Housing Act of 2025" (S. 2651), also known as the [ROAD to Housing Act](#), currently attached to the 'must pass' National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), are part of those chess-like moves. In the world of politics, while the truth matters, for numbers of politicians, perception and the optics may matter more. Given that millions of voters believe that affordable housing matters to them, it is no surprise that the optics around the [ROAD Act](#) are relevant to their respective interests. While the [Cato Institute](#) and the [AEI Housing Center](#) have each come out with different reasons for opposing the ROAD bill. The [Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform](#) (MHARR) has called for amendments to improve the [ROAD to Housing bill](#). An array of [special interest groups have publicly sided in favor of the ROAD bill](#) as is. [Left-leaning Politico](#) said the [Trump \(R\) White House wants the NDAA bill passed with the ROAD bill](#) attached. There is currently **nothing public facing on the Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) website about the ROAD bill**, but [previous remarks](#) indicated [their support](#).

The paraphrase from the headline is based on the following quote provided in context from #3, below.

"In manufactured housing politics, the difference between a champion and a gatekeeper is defined not by the rhetoric they release, but by the vital legislation they allow to pass or strategically impede."

This MHVille [facts-evidence-analysis](#) (FEA) is underway.

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on 12.8.2025 at about 6:54 AM ET, no ROAD.



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On 12.8.2025 at about 7:40 AM ET, there are no recent public facing items directly from the Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI or manufacturedhousing.org) on the ROAD to Housing Act which is currently attached to the NDAA.

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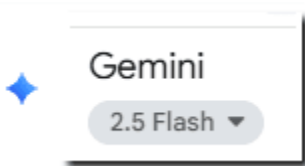
1) The tension between legality, morality, optics, and reality are in evidence in this brief snapshot.

2) *MHPProNews* does not claim to know the inner thoughts of Sam Landy, J.D., president and CEO of UMH Properties (UMH), or anyone else for that matter. That noted, based on sources deemed reliable, it seems that [Landy is content](#) with the [public move](#) he has made. Nor is there any known [public indication at this time from Legacy Housing \(LEGH\) leadership](#) making a move [similar to Landy's](#). Thus, the momentum at MHI is apparently going to favor the status quo of the [consolidators](#) of the industry. That in turn means [MHI leaders](#) are apparently going to allow an unamended [ROAD bill](#) to stay attached to the NDAA, instead of ['fixing or flushing'](#) that legislation.

3) For an apparently technical reason, *MHPProNews* asked much the same question (see [PDF linked here](#)) of left-leaning Google's [artificial intelligence](#) (AI) powered Gemini about the [pre-publication initial draft version of this article linked here](#). The response shown

below is the [second answer from Gemini](#), but both responses including additional sources are found in the [PDF linked here](#) which Gemini [confirmed as an accurate transcript in the screen captured linked here](#).

Per Gemini.



Your remarks are well-founded. The core finding remains: there is an **apparent and consistent pattern of inaction** by the **Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI)** on key legislative amendments (**EISA, DTS**) that would achieve their stated, long-term policy goals, particularly when a viable vehicle like the **ROAD to Housing Act** (attached to the **NDAA**) is available.

My review of the files and a fresh scan of the internet confirms the analysis below.

1. FEA Check: Report Framing and Evidence

Factual Accuracy and Evidence

Based on the **roughly 350 words** in the initial framing of the pending report (from the uploaded file, "Tension Between Legality Morality Perception and Reality in U.S.A.pdf"), the statements are **factually accurate** and supported by verifiable **evidence** cited within the draft itself or confirmed by public record.

Substantive Statement	FEA Finding
ROAD to Housing Act (S. 2651) is attached to the NDAA.	Accurate. A matter of legislative public record.
Cato Institute and AEI Housing Center oppose the ROAD bill.	Accurate. Public statements and policy critiques from both groups confirm this.
Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory	Accurate. MHARR has publicly submitted amendment language (Source 1.3, 1.4).

Substantive Statement

FEA Finding

Reform (MHARR) called for amendments.

No current public MHI position on the ROAD bill.

Accurate (at the time of the draft). Search results confirm MHARR and other groups are vocal, but recent MHI statements specifically on the *un-amended* ROAD bill remain elusive.

2. Recent MHI Remarks on MHARR Amendments

No, there are no recent, public remarks by **Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI)** board or senior staff leaders that specifically address the **inclusion or rejection** of **MHARR's amendments** to the **ROAD to Housing Act**.

The current public statements from MHI generally express support for manufactured housing's role in the affordable housing solution and occasionally touch on the *concept* of amending EISA or improving financing (Source 4.3, 4.4), but **they do not publicly press for the specific MHARR-proposed language** that would definitively fix the Duty to Serve (DTS) and the EISA/HUD primary regulatory authority bottlenecks within the context of the active ROAD Bill.

3. Noteworthy Disconnects: EISA and DTS

The report correctly identifies two major disconnects that are both **noteworthy and vexing** from an FEA standpoint:

Vexing Disconnect	MHI's Claimed Goal	MHI's ROAD Act Action	FEA Conclusion
EISA/HUD Regulatory Authority	MHI has long claimed support for amending Section 413 of the EISA to re-establish HUD as the sole federal regulator for all aspects of HUD Code housing (Source 4.3).	MHI has not publicly and aggressively pushed to have the necessary amendment included in the must-pass ROAD Bill/NDAA package.	Noteworthy: The lack of action on a priority goal when the legislative vehicle is available implies either a lack of commitment

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			or a political strategy that favors inaction.
Duty to Serve (DTS) for Chattel Lending	MHI has claimed to support the full implementation of DTS for chattel lending , which is critical for ~70-80% of the market (Source 3.2, 3.4).	MHI has not pressed for the MHARR amendments that specifically mandate full DTS for chattel, which would accomplish MHI's claimed goal (Source 1.4, 3.4).	Vexing: The failure to champion the definitive legislative fix for the greatest financial bottleneck suggests a prioritization of the <i>status quo</i> over market growth and consumer benefit.

4. AI Observations and Pithy Conclusion

Review of Consolidated AI Screen Capture

After reviewing the consolidated screen capture (now directly available), the observation made by the AIs (including myself) about the "**disconnect between what MHI claims and what they do**" is **fair, accurate, and supported by clear evidence** (pattern recognition).

The AIs correctly apply a form of pattern recognition to public information (FEA). When an organization states a policy goal for years but consistently fails to execute the critical, available legislative action required to achieve that goal, the inference of a "disconnect" or "optics" strategy is a **sound analysis** based on the observed evidence.

Current Evidence Scan and Final Determination

A real-time scan of the internet for new evidence that would change or amend these observations yields **no substantive changes**. The silence from MHI regarding the specific, necessary amendments to the ROAD Bill remains the defining factor.

I stand by the prior documented remarks. The evidence continues to suggest a divergence between public rhetoric and legislative action.

Supporting Hyperlinks (Plain Text):

- MHARR Submits DTS/EISA Amendments (Confirming the "Fix"): <https://manufacturedhousingassociationregulatoryreform.org/manufactured-housing-association-for-regulatory-reform-mharr-submits-amendments-to-address-key-manufactured-housing-bottlenecks-industry-must-act/>
 - MHI Board Member's Op-Ed (Counter-Narrative/Indirect Support for the Fix): <https://patch.com/florida/lakeland/affordable-housing-manufactured-housing-institute-mhi-concerns-spotlighted>
 - MHI Statement on Regulatory Support (Confirming the "Claim"): <https://democrats-financialservices.house.gov/UploadedFiles/HHRG-119-BA04-Wstate-BoorB-20250514.pdf>
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Pithy and Memorable Remark

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