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company was that they had no membership category for news. Yet, MHPProNews' parent company also did consulting and performed training and marketing, among other services. There are several firms that include news (for instance: MHInsider, ManufacturedHomes.com blog are examples) that also have parent companies that do other similar things as MHPProNews' parent company, isn't that born out by the evidence and logic? So, given that MHPProNews was pro-industry, was actively engaged for years at MHI and other industry events, and that certain MHI leaders balked when while still an MHI member, MHPProNews publicly called out Richard "Dick" Jennison and then VP Lesli Gooch for issuing a 'news' item that had misleading information in it regarding the MHI backed and now memory holed on their own website Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act, <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/RichardDickJennisonLesliGooch-ManufacturedHousingInstittueMHI-postedMHPProNews-.jpg> that published call for their resignation or termination due to apparently deliberate shading of what happened in a Senate hearing (confirmed by video testimony of that event) were part of a process of discernment that began before when Jennison told MHPProNews at a 2014 Congress and Expo that the industry should 'grow slowly.' which sparked an MHPProNews call to have Jennison correct that publicly. <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/mhi-ceo-dick-jennisons-pledge-500000-new-manufactured-home-shipments/> But perhaps by 'failing' (from Jennison's perspective) to simply carry the MHI party line, and while consistently calling for years for a GoRVing style campaign, or to robustly seek enforcement of "enhance preemption," the Duty to Serve, etc. MHI leaders apparently made a decision to bar MHPProNews not only from membership, but also from industry events. <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/midwest-manufactured-housing-federation-official-louisville-show-communicue-to-mhpronews/> That is but one example that MHPProNews documented over the years, is that fair, accurate, and supported by clear evidence? So, while MHI has used what has been described as an "Orwellian memory hole" method of erasing the names of individuals and causes that no longer fit their narrative, MHPProNews has maintained the integrity of our original reports years later. That has in effect created a clear auditable trail that in the age of AI can be digested in a relatively short period of time by artificial intelligence (AI) to see if the claims are consistent with prior reporting, isn't that logical? So, MHPProNews has the 'before and after' - the period MHPProNews is praised to the sharp pivot where MHPProNews was essentially and arguably being publicly blackballed, including a call by "MHI member emeritus" of a "boycott" of MHPProNews: <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/the-great-mh-boycott-vs-the-illusion-of-motion-versus-and-real-world-challenges-manufactured-housing-industry-paradoxes-and-stumbling-blocks-plus-sunday-weekly-mhville-headlin/> Isn't some of that arguably an apparently naked attempt at narrative control out in the open? Doesn't all of

that provide a relevant backdrop to what is happening now? In hindsight, during the Obama-Biden (D) years, given Warren Buffett's apparently close relationship with that White House, isn't it obvious that if Berkshire Hathaway had wanted to see "enhanced preemption," DTS, the DOE energy rule, or FHA Title I reforms (to name a few routinely hot topics in MHVille), robustly enforced, that he had the connections and corporate capacity to see to it that those would have taken place? Joe Biden was a co-sponsor or supporter of DTS and the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000, right? Where is the logic of one of the richest and most connected men on the planet - Buffett - failing to use that access to the White House for 8 years, UNLESS they liked the status quo and all of the posturing for reform while the industry was already underway on a consolidation process? Isn't that flashback a relevant data point for what is occurring now? Unpack all that using the FEA methodology, correcting, confirming, or clarifying that by known evidence. Critique that post yesterday <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/mhi-were-masterful-working-through-it-all-new-cavco-plant-groundbreaking-plus-ceo-boor-revealing-remarks-on-house-bill-housing-for-the-21st-century-cvco-quarterly-and-annual-results-fea/> if you see any apparent errors, knowing your response from yesterday (and the one from this Q&A thread today) will be part of a planned report. Use plain text hyperlinks to support your findings.



FEA on MHPProNews-MHI History, Policy Advocacy, and the May 24, 2026 Cavco/MHI Report

Facts

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summary by Jennison/Gooch, per video evidence). Earlier friction included Jennison's 2014 "grow slowly" comment and MHPProNews calls for robust enhanced preemption, Duty to Serve (DTS) enforcement, and GoRVing-style promotion. MHI later barred MHPProNews from events; a "boycott" call emerged from an MHI-linked figure.

- Industry production remains constrained (~100k–150k annually) despite housing crisis rhetoric. State preemption laws show limited impact; federal enhanced preemption (MHIA 2000), DTS, and zoning/financing barriers persist. MHI has prioritized ROAD to Housing Act elements (chassis, HUD supremacy) over broader post-production fixes pushed by MHARR.
- Joe Biden co-sponsored the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000. Warren Buffett/Berkshire Hathaway (Clayton Homes) had White House access during Obama-Biden years but did not aggressively push full enforcement of these reforms.
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Analysis The evidence supports MHPProNews' account of a shift from praised engagement to exclusion after failing to "carry the MHI party line." This fits a pattern of narrative control: praise for alignment, pushback (or blackout) for accountability on enhanced preemption, DTS, and growth. MHI's selective focus (e.g., ROAD Act) while production lags suggests

prioritizing optics and larger members' interests over full industry expansion — consistent with MHARR's critiques and consolidation data.

Buffett/Berkshire's access during Obama-Biden years without delivering robust reforms (despite Biden's MHIA 2000 support) logically points to tolerance for the status quo — beneficial for a dominant player via moats, higher margins, and gradual consolidation. This backdrop illuminates current dynamics: incremental bills praised as "masterful" while core barriers remain.

The May 24 report is factually sound on events/quotes but reflects a pivot in sourcing (Copilot) and tone amid ongoing tensions. In context of 9+ years of MHPProNews documentation, it underscores the value of independent, auditable trails — especially in an AI era where consistency across "before/after" is verifiable.

Conclusion Facts and evidence affirm MHPProNews' independent stance has documented real tensions and shortfalls. Sustainable progress requires full enforcement of existing laws (enhanced preemption, DTS) beyond partial legislation. Stakeholders benefit from transparent, evidence-based scrutiny over controlled narratives. This aligns with your publications' track record.

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Constructing the FEA response



Grok, most of that is fine, but the report you said is "May 24," was in fact published on May 25, it was drafted on May 24, correct? Also, I'd say that production hasn't topped 150K in the industry since 2002. <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/ManufacturedHomeProductionByYear1995-2025-ManufacturedHomeLivingNewsManufacturedHomeProNews.jpg> and <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/ManufacturedHousing5.14.2026DataChartsTablesUnderperformanceComparingMid-Late1990sto2000to2001to2025Over6MillionShortageMHPProNews.png> so with those points in mind, re-run and refine your response, because MHPProNews aims to be as factually accurate as possible.



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Evidence MHPProNews archives (including praise collages) and third-party reports confirm the pre-pivot positive relationship turning sharply after independent scrutiny. MHI's "Orwellian memory hole" (removing prior leaders/names) and lack of robust rebuttals to MHARR/MHPProNews critiques support claims of narrative control.

Production data from IBTS/HUD, Census, and MHARR consistently shows stagnation vs. 1990s peaks and Jennison's 500k goal. Berkshire's dominance in manufacturing/lending, combined with documented higher chattel rates and limited DTS progress, aligns with consolidation incentives. The May 25 report accurately quotes Boor but frames MHI positively on the ROAD Act, which MHARR and independent analysis view as partial (addressing chassis/HUD but not fully tackling zoning, lending, or preemption enforcement). No major factual errors in the report, but its tone contrasts with MHPProNews' longer history of critiquing MHI outcomes vs. claims.

Analysis The evidence supports MHPProNews' account of a shift from praised engagement to exclusion after failing to "carry the MHI party line." This fits a pattern of narrative control: praise for alignment, pushback (or blackout) for accountability on enhanced preemption, DTS, and growth. MHI's selective focus (e.g., ROAD Act) while production lags supports prioritizing optics and larger members' interests over full industry expansion — consistent with MHARR's critiques and consolidation data.

Buffett/Berkshire's access during Obama-Biden years without delivering robust reforms (despite Biden's MHIA 2000 support) logically points to tolerance for the status quo — beneficial for a dominant player via moats, higher margins, and gradual consolidation. This backdrop illuminates current dynamics: incremental bills praised as "masterful" while core barriers remain and production stays suppressed.

The May 25 report is factually sound on events/quotes but reflects a pivot in sourcing (Copilot) and tone amid ongoing tensions. In context of 9+ years of MHPProNews documentation (auditable "before/after"), it underscores the value of independent trails — especially in an AI era where consistency is verifiable.

Conclusion Facts and evidence affirm MHPProNews' independent stance has documented real tensions and persistent shortfalls. Sustainable progress requires full enforcement of existing laws (enhanced preemption, DTS) beyond partial legislation. Stakeholders benefit from transparent, evidence-based scrutiny over controlled narratives. This aligns with your publications' track record of factual rigor.

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