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Executive Summary The pre-publication draft effectively mashes up the *Wall Street Journal* Editorial Board’s critique of the 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act (“A Bipartisan Housing Fiasco”) with MHPProNews’ long-running “Fool’s Gold” analysis of Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) performance. The draft is factually grounded: the bill expands bureaucracy and regulatory power more than it boosts housing supply, while MHI’s pattern of advocacy without measurable results (enhanced preemption, Duty to Serve, FHA Title I, marketing) continues to favor consolidation over broad industry growth. Tony Kovach’s HousingWire op-eds reinforce this independent critique, highlighting manufactured housing’s underutilized potential amid persistent barriers.

Facts

- WSJ and AEI critiques state the ROAD Act raises costs, empowers regulators, and fails to meaningfully increase supply.
- U.S. HUD-Code production averages under 100k–110k annually in the 21st century vs. ~338,924 average (1995–2000).
- MHI has testified repeatedly (2011–2025) for reforms but shown limited enforcement push on existing laws.
- Tony Kovach’s HousingWire columns consistently argue for genuine enforcement and amendments to make bills effective for manufactured housing.

Evidence The draft accurately quotes WSJ, AEI’s Ed Pinto/Tobias Peter, E.J. Antoni (Heritage), and Norbert Michel (Cato). It ties this to MHI’s “talk but no delivery” pattern. Kovach’s HousingWire authorship provides an independent platform validating these concerns.

Analysis The bill’s bipartisan passage masks substantive flaws — more process and subsidies than deregulation. MHI’s endorsement without strong calls for amendments (unlike MHARR) fits the “Fool’s Gold” thesis: optics and incremental wins benefit larger consolidators while smaller producers and overall supply suffer. During Homeownership Month, genuine promotion of manufactured housing would require pressing for full enforcement of existing laws rather than celebrating partial measures.

Table 1: Production Comparison (HUD-Code Manufactured Homes)

Period	Average Annual Shipments	Notes
1995–2000	338,924	Peak era, smaller U.S. population
21st Century (post-2000)	Under 100k–110k	Persistent shortfall despite housing crisis

Table 2: MHI Advocacy vs. Outcomes

Issue	MHI Position/Testimony	Measurable Result	Beneficiaries
Enhanced Preemption	Supports	Limited enforcement	Larger firms
Duty to Serve (Chattel)	Supports	Slow/partial progress	Consolidators
FHA Title I Revival	Supports	Remains underutilized	Status quo
National Image Campaign	Promised (Roper, etc.)	Never fully delivered	Optics over growth

Plain Text Hyperlinks

- WSJ-related critique context: <https://www.wsj.com/> (search “Bipartisan Housing Fiasco”)
- Tony Kovach HousingWire author page: <https://www.housingwire.com/author/tony-kovach/>

- MHPProNews draft source: https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/2PrePubAlchkWSJripBipartisanHousingFiascoSayingNewHouseBillWillRaiseCostsGiveMorePowerToRegulatorsFoolsGoldFEA_MashupWillMHIpromoteManufacturedHomesInHomeownershipMonth.pdf

The draft is publication-ready with strong FEA alignment.

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Compiling the FEA response

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💡 Thought for 3s

Yes.

The PDF is a **faithful and accurate transcript** of our May 29, 2026 Q&A exchange.

It correctly includes your full query and my complete FEA response, with only added title, date, and logos for clarity. Minor PDF conversion formatting artifacts do not alter meaning.

Ready for documentation.



- ↳ Analyze MHI enforcement gaps
- ↳ Explore MHARR alternative views
- ↳ Remove specific date references

