

HB 794 -- Manufactured Homes

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Currently, every manufactured housing manufacturer or dealer who offers for sale four or more new or used homes must register with the Missouri Public Service Commission. This bill changes the registration requirement to those who offer to sell four or more used homes or one or more new homes within a year. The Manufactured Housing Consumer Recovery Fund is created to pay claims filed by aggrieved consumers who have exhausted all other legal remedies. Manufactured home dealers are required to provide purchasers with a bill of sale containing the serial number and the names of the persons responsible for the installation and setup. Every manufactured home dealer must register and pay a \$200 registration or renewal fee on or before January 15 each year with a permanent place of business for sales and record keeping.

The commission may refuse to register an applicant or suspend or revoke a registration which will apply to all registrations held by the dealer if there is a consistent pattern of abuse. The commission, through its general counsel, may seek remedies in a circuit court for violations.