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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 682**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Williams**

February 25, 2015

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*An act to add Section 18029.1 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to ~~public utilities~~; manufactured housing and mobilehomes, and making an appropriation therefor.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 682, as amended, Williams. ~~Electric-Mobilehome park: electric and gas service: master-meter customers.~~

Existing law authorizes the transfer of the ownership and operational responsibility for the provision of electric or gas service from an owner of a master-metered mobilehome park or manufactured housing community that provides electric or gas service to residents to the electric or gas corporation providing service in the area in which the mobilehome park or manufactured housing community is located. Existing law requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt a standard form of agreement for transfer of gas and electric distribution facilities in these parks and communities that is required to be the basis for expedited approval of the transfers.

~~This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to address implementation issues regarding commission decision 14-03-021 and the voluntary conversion of electric and natural gas master-metered service at mobilehome parks to direct service by corporations providing electric or natural gas or both.~~

*The Manufactured Housing Act of 1980 requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to enforce various laws*

*pertaining to manufactured housing, mobilehomes, park trailers, commercial coaches, special purpose commercial coaches, and recreational vehicles. The act makes it unlawful for a person to alter or convert, or cause to be altered or converted, the plumbing, heat-producing, or electrical systems and installations or equipment of a manufactured home, mobilehome, or multifamily manufactured home that bears a department insignia of approval or federal label when these structures are used, occupied, sold, or offered for sale within the state, unless its performance is altered or converted in compliance with specified provisions of the act and applicable regulations adopted by the department.*

*Existing law authorizes the department to establish a schedule of fees to pay the costs related to the administration and enforcement of the act that are deposited in the Mobilehome-Manufactured Home Revolving Fund, which is continuously appropriated to the department for carrying out the provisions of the act.*

*This bill would authorize a person, without filing an application for an alteration or conversion with the department, to alter or convert, or cause to be altered or converted, the structural, fire safety, plumbing, heat-producing, or electrical systems and installations or equipment of a manufactured home or mobilehome in order to extend a gas line or electrical feeder line, or both, from a utility-owned service line to the electrical subpanel or gas inlet of the manufactured home or mobilehome only for the purpose of a natural gas or electric service utility upgrade, or both, within a mobilehome park that is subject to or consistent with a specified decision of the Public Utilities Commission.*

*The bill would also authorize a defect in the manufactured home or mobilehome relating to the heat-producing or electrical systems or installations or equipment to be repaired or replaced without filing an application for an alteration or conversion with the department if specified conditions are met. By increasing the duties of the department for which the department may charge fees that are deposited in a continuously appropriated fund, this bill would make an appropriation.*

*Vote: majority. Appropriation: ~~no~~yes. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~yes. State-mandated local program: no.*

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 *SECTION 1. Section 18029.1 is added to the Health and Safety*
- 2 *Code, to read:*

1 18029.1. (a) Notwithstanding Section 18029, a person may,  
2 without filing an application for an alteration or conversion  
3 required by this chapter, alter or convert, or cause to be altered  
4 or converted, the structural, fire safety, plumbing, heat-producing,  
5 or electrical systems and installations or equipment of a  
6 manufactured home or mobilehome in order to extend a gas line  
7 or electrical feeder line, or both, from a utility-owned service line  
8 to the electrical subpanel or gas inlet of the manufactured home  
9 or mobilehome only for the purpose of a natural gas or electric  
10 service utility upgrade, or both, within a mobilehome park that is  
11 subject to or consistent with the requirements of Public Utilities  
12 Commission Decision 14-03-021 (March 13, 2014).

13 (b) Notwithstanding Section 18029, if, at the time that natural  
14 gas or electric service is connected to a manufactured home or  
15 mobilehome as part of a natural gas or electric service utility  
16 upgrade, or both, within a mobilehome park that is subject to or  
17 consistent with the requirements of Public Utilities Commission  
18 Decision 14-03-021 (March 13, 2014), a defect in the manufactured  
19 home or mobilehome relating to the heat-producing or electrical  
20 systems or installations or equipment is found, the heat-producing  
21 or electrical systems or installations or equipment may be repaired  
22 or replaced without filing an application for an alteration or  
23 conversion required by this chapter if the repair or replacement  
24 is necessary to correct the defect, is made promptly, and is  
25 approved by the department.

26 ~~SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact~~  
27 ~~legislation that would address implementation issues regarding~~  
28 ~~Public Utilities Commission decision 14-03-021 and the voluntary~~  
29 ~~conversion of electric and natural gas master-metered service at~~  
30 ~~mobilehome parks to direct service by corporations providing~~  
31 ~~electric or natural gas or both.~~