

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1912

Introduced by Assembly Member Torlakson

February 11, 2000

An act to amend Section 18010 of, and to add Section 18009.3 to, the Health and Safety Code, relating to park trailers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1912, as introduced, Torlakson. Park trailers.

The Mobilehome-Manufactured Housing Act of 1980 generally regulates manufactured housing. For purposes of these provisions, a recreational vehicle is defined to mean either a park trailer or a motor home, travel trailer, truck camper, or camping trailer that meets certain requirements. A park trailer is a recreational trailer designed for human habitation for recreational or seasonal use only, which is built on a single chassis, may only be transported upon the public highways with a permit, and contains 400 square feet or less of gross floor area measured at the maximum horizontal projections, but does not exceed 12 feet in width or 40 feet in length in a traveling mode.

Existing law requires any licensed manufacturer, manufacturer branch, distributor, or distributor branch to affix an identification number to a park trailer and requires the Department of Transportation to regulate the safe operation of a park trailer, which, when moved upon a highway, is required to be moved pursuant to a permit.

This bill would revise the definition of park trailer to remove the limitation on length and extend the limitation on width to 14 feet.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 18009.3 is added to the Health
2 and Safety Code, to read:

3 18009.3. "Park trailer" means a recreational trailer
4 designed for human habitation for recreational or
5 seasonal use only, that meets all of the following
6 requirements:

7 (a) It contains 400 square feet or less of gross floor area.
8 It may not exceed 14 feet in width at the maximum
9 horizontal projection.

10 (b) It is built upon a single chassis.

11 (c) It may only be transported upon the public
12 highways with a permit issued pursuant to Section 35790
13 of the Vehicle Code.

14 SEC. 2. Section 18010 of the Health and Safety Code
15 is amended to read:

16 18010. "Recreational vehicle" means either of the
17 following:

18 (a) A motor home, travel trailer, truck camper, or
19 camping trailer, with or without motive power, designed
20 for human habitation for recreational, emergency, or
21 other occupancy, ~~which~~ that meets all of the following
22 criteria:

23 (1) It contains less than 320 square feet of internal
24 living room area, excluding built-in equipment,
25 including, but not limited to, wardrobe, closets, cabinets,
26 kitchen units or fixtures, and bath or toilet rooms.

27 (2) It contains 400 square feet or less of gross area
28 measured at maximum horizontal projections.

29 (3) It is built on a single chassis.

30 (4) It is either self-propelled, truck-mounted, or
31 permanently towable on the highways without a permit.



1 ~~(b) A park trailer, designed for human habitation for~~
2 ~~recreational or seasonal use only, which meets all of the~~
3 ~~following criteria:~~

4 ~~(1) It contains 400 square feet or less of gross floor area~~
5 ~~measured at the maximum horizontal projections.~~
6 ~~However, it may not exceed 12 feet in width or 40 feet in~~
7 ~~length in the traveling mode.~~

8 ~~(2) It is built on a single chassis.~~

9 ~~(3) It may only be transported upon the public~~
10 ~~highways with a permit trailer.~~

