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Inspector/Installer Refresher NDMHA Annual Membership Meeting February 19 & 20, 2020

The North Dakota Department of Commerce will be holding a installer/inspector refresher course in conjunction with NDMHA's Annual Membership Meeting which be held on February 19 & 20, 2020 at the Radisson Hotel in Bismarck, North Dakota. More information coming soon.....

MHI offers online training for installer licensing and training for HUD Installers and Inspectors who wish to become certified. For more information please see the following website—

<https://www.manufacturedhousing.org/online-training/>

The Course Highlights the following topics:

- High Tech Factory Built Housing Deserves High Tech Installation
- Principles of Load-Bearing Capacity
- The Importance of Proper Site Preparation
- Planning Your Route to the Home Site
- How to Correct and Prevent Drainage Problems
- Soil Testing
- Determining the Proper Footings and Piers
- Stabilizing or Anchoring Systems
- Using the Wind Zone Map, Roof Load Map and U/O Value Zone Map
- Information on the Data Plate
- Reading Installation Manual Charts
- The Importance of Proper Ventilation
- Proper Installation of Ductwork
- Proper Support of Marriage Line Openings
- Side-Wall Weight – Consideration of Homeowner Possessions
- Planning for Moving the Home Onto Its Foundation
- Closing and Securing Multi-Section Homes
- Leveling the Home
- Symptoms of Installation Problems
- Connecting the Home to Utilities and Appliances
- Proper Installation of Add-Ons
- Safety Considerations for the Installer

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Legislative Outcomes

Two important pieces of good news for North Dakota manufactured housing industry. Huge **SHOUT OUT** to NDMHA Board of Directors, Kent French, NDMHA Members who were front and center and NDMHA lobbyists. If these bills would have passed in their initial language, our industry would have been severely affected. With this legislation, the residents of our communities would have been in a position to demand rights that are now reserved for owners only.

*Message given to the Legislature by **Kent French** centered on how these two Bills would hurt good, hardworking manufactured housing residents by adding costs they can't afford, as well as it is an anti-business Bill. If there was an isolated case in North Dakota, we shouldn't raise the rents and fees on thousands of residents that have not had a problem in/with their communities. NDMHA is present at these hearing to protect the good residents as well as our livelihood. These Bills would only increase costs to residents, rent will not be reduced, as there will be major additional costs to manage and maintain meters. The good residents in North Dakota don't want to have to pay an additional hike in their rent to satisfy a complaint by an individual or small number of disgruntled individuals whom do not realize what the cost to them would be if these Bills where to pass.*

- *House Bill 1528*, a Bill to amend and reenact sections 35-20-17, 47-17-01, and 47-32-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mobile home lien notices, the amount of time required before a lienholder may sell a mobile home, nonrenewals of at-will leases mobile home lots, and the ability of a mobile home park tenant to cure a non-payment of rent prior to being evicted. This Bill has a negative impact on both residents and community owners.

LEGISLATIVE OUTCOME: House Bill 1528 was defeated in the House by a vote of 11-82. NDMHA won by a huge margin but surprisingly a few yeas (against us) from Fargo, Williston, Dickinson and Minot.

- *House Bill 1529*, a Bill for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 47 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to utility services in mobile home parks, prohibiting retaliation, and eviction proceedings.

LEGISLATIVE OUTCOME: BIG WIN!!!! House Bill 1529 is history!!!! The House voted on House Bill 1529 and it was defeated by a margin of 5 Yeas and 82 Nays. The IBL Committee liked the idea that NDMHA took it upon themselves to correct the issue.

Kent French reported that community owners are required to provide residents with documentation on the reason/s for high water or utility bills, if a resident request such documentation. Kent has contacted all the manufactured housing communities in Fargo, spoke with both the owners and managers attempting to find out which manufactured home community would violate a resident's right to see such documentation.

HUD Secretary Ben Carson Tours, Touts Manufactured Housing

HUD Secretary Ben Carson Saturday kicked off his first Innovative Housing Showcase on the National Mall touting the advantages of manufactured homes and the need to provide Americans with more affordable housing options.

He also visited manufactured homes that are on the Mall during the five day event in Washington, D.C.

Secretary Carson said he hoped Congress would notice the homes lining both sides of the mall, in the shadow of the U.S. Capitol, and work with him to update policies and regulations that make it tough for many to afford their piece of the American dream.

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North Dakota Manufactured Home Shipments 2018

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	Single Section	Multi Section	Total
January	0	6	6
February	5	10	15
March	9	9	18
April	8	12	20
May	7	20	27
June	3	15	18
July	11	20	31
August	22	18	40
September	32	11	43
October	10	13	23
November	18	9	27
December	5	6	11
TOTAL	130	149	279

	Single Section	Multi Section	Total
January	2	6	8
February	9	6	15
March	4	21	25
April	4	14	18
TOTAL	19	47	66

Manufactured Home Shipments per Year

Year	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Shipments	166	203	300	449	600	707	897	940	775	671	503

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Shipments	308	311	297	258	288	287	315	403	261	739	1867

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Shipments	1468	774	914	525	308	302	279	

Approved Legislative Study for 2019-2020 Interim

The major Bill NDMHA has to follow this year is Legislative Management Committee Study 3051. This Study is focusing on prisoners work rehabilitation. This is an important study to follow as NDMHA may have input into the study to stop or redirect a future bill that would impact our industry. Please see below.

Roughrider Industries expansion—Consider studying the feasibility, desirability, and benefits of expanding the goods and services produced by Roughrider Industries into additional noncompetitive markets to provide inmates with the training and skills to successfully reintegrate the inmates into society; and must include consultation with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and any private North Dakota business seeking to provide input.

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