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Offered by:

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To: House Bill No. 5428

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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING MOBILE MANUFACTURED HOME PARKS."

- 1 Strike section 5 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
- 2 thereof:
- 3 "Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 21-80 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
- 5 1, 2025):
- 6 (b) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 47a-23, an owner
- 7 may terminate a rental agreement or maintain a summary process action
- 8 against a resident who owns a mobile manufactured home only for one
- 9 or more of the following reasons:
- 10 (A) Nonpayment of rent, utility charges or reasonable incidental
- 11 services charges;
- 12 (B) Material noncompliance by the resident with any statute or

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regulation materially affecting the health and safety of other residents or materially affecting the physical condition of the park;

- 15 (C) Material noncompliance by the resident with the rental 16 agreement or with rules or regulations adopted under section 21-70, as 17 amended by this act;
- 18 (D) Failure by the resident to agree to a proposed rent increase, 19 provided the owner has complied with all provisions of subdivision (5) 20 of this subsection; [or]
- 21 (E) A change in the use of the land on which such mobile 22 manufactured home is located, provided all of the affected residents 23 receive written notice (i) at least three hundred sixty-five days before 24 the time specified in the notice for the resident to quit possession of the 25 mobile manufactured home or occupancy of the lot if such notice is 26 given before June 23, 1999, or (ii) at least five hundred forty-five days 27 before the time specified in the notice for the resident to quit possession 28 of the mobile manufactured home or occupancy of the lot if such notice 29 is given on or after June 23, 1999, regardless of whether any other notice 30 under this section or section 21-70, as amended by this act, has been 31 given before June 23, 1999; provided nothing in subsection (f) of section 32 21-70, as amended by this act, section 21-70a, as amended by this act, 33 subsection (a) of this section, this subdivision and section 21-80b shall 34 be construed to invalidate the effectiveness of or require the reissuance 35 of any valid notice given before June 23, 1999; or
- 36 <u>(F) The presence of an unauthorized occupant in the mobile</u> 37 <u>manufactured home with the resident's knowledge and consent.</u>
 - (2) An owner may not maintain a summary process action under subparagraph (B), (C) or (D) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, except a summary process action based upon conduct which constitutes a serious nuisance or a violation of subdivision (9) of subsection (b) of section 21-82, prior to delivering a written notice to the resident specifying the acts or omissions constituting the breach and that the

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rental agreement shall terminate upon a date not less than thirty days after receipt of the notice. If such breach can be remedied by repair by the resident or payment of damages by the resident to the owner and such breach is not so remedied within twenty-one days, the rental agreement shall terminate except that (A) if the breach is remediable by repairs or the payment of damages and the resident adequately remedies the breach within said twenty-one-day period, the rental agreement shall not terminate, or (B) if substantially the same act or omission for which notice was given recurs within six months, the owner may terminate the rental agreement in accordance with the provisions of sections 47a-23 to 47a-23b, inclusive. For the purposes of this subdivision, "serious nuisance" means (i) inflicting bodily harm upon another resident or the owner or threatening to inflict such harm with the present ability to effect the harm and under circumstances which would lead a reasonable person to believe that such threat will be carried out, (ii) substantial and wilful destruction of part of the premises, (iii) conduct which presents an immediate and serious danger to the safety of other residents or the owner, or (iv) using the premises for prostitution or the illegal sale of drugs. If the owner elects to evict based upon an allegation, pursuant to subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 21-82, that the resident failed to require other persons on the premises with the resident's consent to conduct themselves in a manner that will not constitute a serious nuisance, and the resident claims to have had no knowledge of such conduct, then, if the owner establishes that the premises have been used for the illegal sale of drugs, the burden shall be on the resident to show that the resident had no knowledge of the creation of the serious nuisance.

- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 47a-23, termination of any tenancy in a mobile manufactured home park shall be effective only if made in the following manner:
- 74 (A) By the resident giving at least thirty days' notice to the owner; or
 - (B) By the owner giving the resident at least sixty days' written notice, which shall state the reason or reasons for such termination, except that,

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when termination is based upon subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the owner need give the resident only thirty days' written notice, which notice shall state the total arrearage due provided, the owner shall not maintain or proceed with a summary process action against a resident who tenders the total arrearage due to the owner within such thirty days and who has not so tendered an arrearage under this subparagraph during the preceding twelve months.

- (4) Except as otherwise specified, proceedings under this section shall be as prescribed by chapter 832.
- 86 (5) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit an owner from increasing 87 the rent at the termination of the rental agreement if (A) the owner 88 delivers a written notice of the proposed rent increase to the resident at 89 least [thirty] <u>ninety</u> days before the start of a new rental agreement; (B) 90 the proposed rent is consistent with rents for comparable lots in the 91 same park, provided the proposed rent shall not increase at a rate that 92 exceeds (i) the percentage change in the most recently published 93 consumer price index for the preceding twelve-month period plus one 94 per cent, or (ii) the rate approved by the Mobile Manufactured Home 95 Council pursuant to subsection (c) of section 21-84a, as amended by this 96 act; and (C) the rent is not increased in order to defeat the purpose of 97 this subsection."

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