

Testimony

House General Laws Housing Consumer Protection Subcommittee

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HB1397

Manufactured Home Lot Rental Act; manufactured home park, notice of sale and relocation expenses.

The League of Women Voters of Virginia supports this bill. Manufactured homes are the largest source of unsubsidized affordable housing in the U.S. Mobile home parks are inexpensive to maintain, and are therefore, being bought up by LLC's who are then raising the lot rentals or evicting the tenants to redevelop the land. We need to preserve this affordable housing.

The bill would strengthen tenant protections by increasing the required notice to tenants prior to the sale and would require the park owner to give notice of the offer to purchase to the local government of the jurisdiction where the park is located.