Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

BILL ANALYSIS

Local Government & Housing Committee

HB 1888

Brief Description: Repealing RCW 46.12.295.

Sponsors: Representatives Springer and Angel.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Removes titling functions for mobile homes from the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development.
- Returns these functions to the Department of Licensing.

Hearing Date: 2/9/09

Staff: Sara del Moral (786-7291) and Thamas Osborn (786-7129)

Background:

Until 1990, mobile homes were regulated by two state agencies, the Department of Licensing (DOL) and the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I). The DOL regulated the titling of mobile homes, while the L&I's duties included enforcement of the building code.

In 1990, the Legislature passed acts transferring all duties related to mobile homes to the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development (DCTED). The DCTED fulfilled this duty by contracting with the DOL and the L&I to continue to provide their respective services.

In 2007, the Legislature passed an act transferring the responsibility for functions being performed by the DCTED back to the L&I.

The DCTED continues to administer mobile home titling functions by contracting with the DOL for the service.

Summary of Bill:

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The law transferring titling functions for mobile homes from the DOL to DCTED is repealed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is

passed.