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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOBILE AND MANUFACTURED  
HOMES

Introduced By: Senators Lynch, and Walaska

Date Introduced: May 18, 2010

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-44 of the General Laws entitled "Mobile and Manufactured  
2 Homes" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **31-44-4.2. Mobile or manufactured home abandoned by resident. -- Upon the**  
4 **abandonment of a mobile or manufactured home by a resident, the owner of the mobile home**  
5 **park shall send written notice by first class mail with proof of mailing to the last known address**  
6 **of the resident concerning the owner's intent to dispose of the mobile or manufactured home. The**  
7 **notice must clearly identify the mobile or manufactured home. The resident shall have thirty (30)**  
8 **days to remove the mobile or manufactured home from the premises. The owner may condition**  
9 **the release of the mobile or manufactured home to the resident upon the resident's payment of all**  
10 **rental arrearages, damages, and cost of storage. If there are any liens on the mobile or**  
11 **manufactured home, notice must be sent in a similar manner as above to the lien holder. If the**  
12 **mobile or manufactured home is unclaimed after thirty (30) days after the written notice has been**  
13 **sent, the owner of the mobile home park may sell the mobile or manufactured home for the fair**  
14 **market price and apply all proceeds to rental, arrearages, damages, liens, cost of storage and sale.**  
15 **All remaining balances must be forwarded to the treasurer of the State of Rhode Island.**

16 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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1           This act would provide that if the resident of a mobile or manufactured home in a mobile  
2 home park abandons the mobile or manufactured home, the mobile home park owner upon thirty  
3 (30) days written notice to the resident, can sell the mobile or manufactured home and apply the  
4 proceeds to any arrearage owed with any balance remaining balance to be forwarded to the state  
5 treasurer.

6           This act would take effect upon passage.

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