

1 H.638

2 Introduced by Representative Botzow of Pownal

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Property; fire and safety; permitting

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require a
7 seller of prefabricated buildings to provide necessary fire safety permit
8 documentation and inform the buyer that such a permit is necessary before use
9 of the building.

10 An act relating to fire safety permits for prefabricated buildings

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 9 V.S.A. chapter 136 is added to read:

13 CHAPTER 136. SALE OF PREFABRICATED BUILDINGS

14 § 4421. DEFINITIONS

15 As used in this chapter:

16 (1) "Permit" means a construction permit issued by the Commissioner
17 of Public Safety according to the rules established pursuant to 20 V.S.A.
18 § 2731.

19 (2)(A) "Prefabricated building" means a public building under
20 20 V.S.A. chapter 173, made in its place of manufacture, which is intended to

1 be transported or sent to be joined to or affixed on permanent foundations or
2 on another structure, which may include plumbing, heating, and lighting
3 equipment.

4 (B) "Prefabricated building" does not mean a mobile home or
5 components, panels, or individual parts that need to be molded or cut to be
6 assembled or attached to the permanent foundation.

7 § 4422. DISCLOSURE OF NECESSARY PERMITS

8 Before the point of sale, a seller of prefabricated buildings shall inform the
9 buyer, in writing, of the permit requirement.

10 § 4423. DOCUMENTS PROVIDED BEFORE SALE

11 (a) Before the point of sale, a seller of prefabricated buildings shall provide
12 the buyer with a list of the drawings, plans, or certifications required in a
13 permit application. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall create this list,
14 which shall explain generally the required documents and their method of
15 preparation.

16 (b) At the point of sale, a seller of prefabricated buildings shall provide, if
17 available to him or her, the drawings, plans, and certifications listed on the
18 permit application document list. If any of these documents are not readily
19 available to the seller, the seller shall so inform the buyer, in writing and prior
20 to sale.

1 § 4424. PENALTY

2 The Commissioner of Labor may impose an administrative penalty of not
3 more than \$150.00 against a seller who violates the provisions of this chapter.

4 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

5 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.