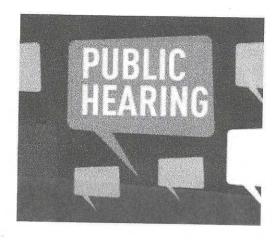


## This Week at the Capitol

April 15, 2024





## AB 2387 (Pellerin) Mobilehome Parks: Additional Lots: Exemption from Additional Fees or Charges

This bill would authorize an owner of an existing mobilehome park that is subject to, or intends to qualify for, a valid permit to operate the park, to apply to the enforcement agency to add additional specified lots to the mobilehome park not to exceed 10% of the previously approved number of lots in the mobilehome park, if the owner has not had their permit to operate suspended. The bill would require the owner to apply to the enforcement agency for, and obtain from the enforcement agency, all required permits pursuant to the act before adding additional lots. The bill would exempt the additional lots from any business tax, local registration fee, use permit fee, or other fee, except those fees that apply to the existing lots in the park, and would prohibit the owner from reducing the size of, or interfering with, certain existing facilities. This bill would prohibit the enforcement agency, city, or county from requiring a conditional use permit, zoning variance, or other zoning approval in order to add the lots. By requiring a city or county to ministerially approve a project to add the mobilehome park lots described above, this bill would exempt those projects from CEQA.

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2023-2024 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

**Introduced by Assembly Member Pellerin** 

February 12, 2024

An act to add Section 65852.8 to the Government Code, relating to mobilehome parks.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2387, as amended, Pellerin. Mobilehome parks: additional lots: exemption from additional fees or charges.

Existing law, the Mobilehome Parks Act (act), generally regulates various classifications of mobilehome and related vehicle parks, and imposes enforcement duties on the Department of Housing and Community Development and local enforcement agencies. The act authorizes any person to file an application with the governing body of a city or county for a conditional use permit for a mobilehome park. The act requires a person, before operating a mobilehome park, and each year thereafter, to obtain a valid permit from the enforcement agency in order to operate the park. The act also requires the owner of a mobilehome park to obtain a permit to create, move, shift, or alter park lot lines.

This bill would authorize an owner of an existing mobilehome park that is subject to, or intends to qualify for, a valid permit to operate the park, to apply to the enforcement agency to add additional specified lots to the mobilehome park not to exceed 10% of the previously approved number of lots in the mobilehome park, if the owner has not had their permit to operate suspended. The bill would require the owner to apply to the enforcement agency for, and obtain from the enforcement agency, all required permits pursuant to the act before adding additional lots. The bill would exempt the additional lots from any business tax, local registration fee, use permit fee, or other fee, except those fees that apply to the existing lots in the park, and would prohibit the owner from reducing the size of, or interfering with, certain existing facilities.

Existing law, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA does not apply to the approval of ministerial projects.

This bill would prohibit the enforcement agency, city, or county from requiring a conditional use permit, zoning variance, or other zoning approval in order to add the lots. By requiring a city or county to ministerially approve a project to add

the mobilehome park lots described above, this bill would exempt those projects from CEQA.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 65852.8 is added to the Government Code, to read:

- 65852.8. (a) An owner of an existing mobilehome park who is subject to, or intends to qualify for, a valid permit to operate issued pursuant to Section 18505 of the Health and Safety Code, whose permit to operate is not suspended pursuant to Section 18510 of the Health and Safety Code, may add either of the following types of lots to the mobilehome park, not to exceed 10 percent of the previously approved number of lots in the mobilehome park:
  - (1) A lot for a single-family manufactured home.
  - (2) A multifamily manufactured home, as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 18008.7 of the Health and Safety Code, on a lot previously occupied by a single-family mobilehome or manufactured home.
  - (3) Any combination of lots authorized by paragraphs (1) and (2).
- (b) (1) Before adding any lot pursuant to subdivision (a), the owner of the mobilehome park shall apply to the enforcement agency for, and obtain from the enforcement agency, all permits required by this part necessary to increase occupancy in the park.
  - (2) Before issuing the permits, the enforcement agency shall require all reasonable information to ensure that the additional lots do not substantially impact the provision of services to the existing or new lots, including water, sewage, electrical, gas, and other utilities. The enforcement agency may require evidence of compliance with all local health, utility, and fire requirements, as it deems necessary.
- (3) Upon approval from the enforcement agency pursuant to this section, the mobilehome park owner shall complete all necessary processes with the enforcement agency to update their permit to operate.
- (c) (1) Lots added pursuant to this section shall not be subject to any business tax, local registration fee, use permit fee, or other fee, except those that are applicable to existing lots in the park.
- (2) Pursuant to paragraph (1), a local agency may impose local property taxes, fees for water and sewer services and garbage collection, fees for normal inspections, local bond assessments, and other fees, charges, and assessments that apply to the existing lots in the park.
- (d) Notwithstanding any law, the lots added pursuant to this section shall be deemed to comply with the zoning and land use approvals of the existing mobilehome park, including any special use permit.
- (e) For the purposes of local ordinances, lots added pursuant to this section shall not be deemed a use that differs from the mobilehome park's existing land use approvals.
- (f) The enforcement agency, city, or county shall not require a conditional use permit, zoning variance, or other zoning approval for any lots added pursuant to this section.
- (g) In adding lots pursuant to this section, the owner of a mobilehome park shall not reduce the size of, or otherwise interfere with, any in-use pools, dog parks, clubhouses, playgrounds, sports facilities, exercise rooms, libraries, boat or recreational vehicle (RV) storage, laundry facilities, or community meeting spaces.
- (h) The Legislature finds and declares that streamlining the addition of new mobilehome lots in existing parks is a matter of statewide concern and is not a municipal affair as that term is used in Section 5 of Article XI of the California Constitution. Therefore, this section applies to all cities, including charter cities.