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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee

Representative Stevenson offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection (4) of section 320.01, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

9 320.01 Definitions, general.—As used in the Florida
10 Statutes, except as otherwise provided, the term:

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(1) "Motor vehicle" means:

(b) A recreational vehicle-type unit primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use, which either has its own motive power or is mounted on or drawn by another vehicle. Recreational vehicle-type units, when traveling on the public roadways of this state, must comply with 196379 - h557-strike.docx

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17 the length and width provisions of s. 316.515, as that section 18 may hereafter be amended. As defined below, the basic entities 19 are:

The "travel trailer," which is a vehicular portable 20 1. unit, mounted on wheels, of such a size or weight as not to 21 22 require special highway movement permits when drawn by a 23 motorized vehicle. It is primarily designed and constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or 24 25 travel use. It has a body width of no more than 8 1/2 feet and an overall body length of no more than 40 feet when factory-26 27 equipped for the road.

28 2. The "camping trailer," which is a vehicular portable 29 unit mounted on wheels and constructed with collapsible partial 30 sidewalls which fold for towing by another vehicle and unfold at 31 the campsite to provide temporary living quarters for 32 recreational, camping, or travel use.

33 3. The "truck camper," which is a truck equipped with a 34 portable unit designed to be loaded onto, or affixed to, the bed 35 or chassis of the truck and constructed to provide temporary 36 living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.

4. The "motor home," which is a vehicular unit which does not exceed the length, height, and width limitations provided in s. 316.515, is a self-propelled motor vehicle, and is primarily designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.

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5. The "private motor coach," which is a vehicular unit which does not exceed the length, width, and height limitations provided in s. 316.515(9), is built on a self-propelled bus type chassis having no fewer than three load-bearing axles, and is primarily designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.

6. The "van conversion," which is a vehicular unit which does not exceed the length and width limitations provided in s. 316.515, is built on a self-propelled motor vehicle chassis, and is designed for recreation, camping, and travel use.

The "park trailer," which is a transportable unit that 52 7. 53 which has a body width not exceeding 14 feet and that which is 54 built on a single chassis and is designed to provide seasonal or 55 temporary living quarters when connected to utilities necessary 56 for operation of installed fixtures and appliances. The total 57 area of such the unit may in a setup mode, when measured from 58 the exterior surface of the exterior stud walls at the level of 59 maximum dimensions, not including any bay window, does not 60 exceed 400 square feet when constructed to ANSI A-119.5 61 standards, and 500 square feet when constructed to United States 62 Department of Housing and Urban Development Standards. The 63 length of a park trailer means the distance from the exterior of 64 the front of the body (nearest to the drawbar and coupling 65 mechanism) to the exterior of the rear of the body (at the opposite end of the body), including any protrusions. 66

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The "fifth-wheel trailer," which is a vehicular unit 67 8. mounted on wheels, designed to provide temporary living quarters 68 69 for recreational, camping, or travel use, of such size or weight as not to require a special highway movement permit, of gross 70 71 trailer area not to exceed 400 square feet in the setup mode, 72 and designed to be towed by a motorized vehicle that contains a towing mechanism that is mounted above or forward of the tow 73 74 vehicle's rear axle. 75 (4) (a) "Trailer" means any vehicle without motive power 76 designed to be coupled to or drawn by a motor vehicle and 77 constructed so that no part of its weight or that of its load 78 rests upon the towing vehicle. 79 (b) "Movable tiny home" means a trailer with a house 80 affixed to a single chassis which is a transportable unit that 81 has a body width not exceeding 14 feet and is designed to 82 provide permanent living quarters for no more than one household 83 when connected to utilities necessary for operation of installed 84 fixtures and appliances. The total area of the unit in a setup 85 mode, when measured from the exterior surface of the exterior 86 stud walls at the level of maximum dimensions, not including any 87 bay window, does not exceed 500 square feet when constructed to standards specified in s. 320.8201. The length of a movable tiny 88 89 home means the distance from the exterior of the front of the 90 body (nearest to the drawbar and coupling mechanism) to the exterior of the rear of the body (at the opposite end of the 91 196379 - h557-strike.docx

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92	body), including any protrusions.	
93	Section 2. Section 320.8201, Florida Statutes, is created	
94	to read:	
95	320.8201 Movable tiny homes; construction and inspection	
96	<u>A movable tiny home as defined in s. 320.01(4)(b) must be</u>	
97	constructed and inspected in accordance with the Florida	
98	Building Code and must have a sticker or other documentation	
99	certifying that the movable tiny home was inspected and	
100	certified for compliance with the Florida Building Code by a	
101	professional engineer or architect licensed in this state or by	
102	a third-party inspector who is qualified to inspect for	
103	compliance with the Florida Building Code.	
104	Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of section	
105	553.73, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:	
106	553.73 Florida Building Code.—	
107	(7)(a) The commission shall adopt an updated Florida	
108	Building Code every 3 years through review of the most current	
109	updates of the International Building Code, the International	
110	Fuel Gas Code, the International Existing Building Code, the	
111	International Mechanical Code, the International Plumbing Code,	
112	and the International Residential Code, all of which are	
113	copyrighted and published by the International Code Council, and	
114	the National Electrical Code, which is copyrighted and published	
115	by the National Fire Protection Association. At a minimum, the	
116	commission shall adopt any updates to such codes or any other	
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117 code necessary to maintain eligibility for federal funding and 118 discounts from the National Flood Insurance Program, the Federal 119 Emergency Management Agency, and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The commission shall also review 120 121 any updates to such codes which pertain to requirements for 122 movable tiny homes. The commission shall also review and adopt 123 updates based on the International Energy Conservation Code 124 (IECC); however, the commission shall maintain the efficiencies 125 of the Florida Energy Efficiency Code for Building Construction adopted and amended pursuant to s. 553.901. Every 3 years, the 126 commission may approve updates to the Florida Building Code 127 without a finding that the updates are needed in order to 128 129 accommodate the specific needs of this state. The commission 130 shall adopt updated codes by rule. 131 Section 4. This act shall take effect October 1, 2024. 132 133 TITLE AMENDMENT 134 135 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert: 136 A bill to be entitled 137 An act relating to movable tiny homes; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term 138 139 "park trailer"; defining the term "movable tiny home"; 140 creating s. 320.8201, F.S.; providing requirements for construction and inspection of a movable tiny home; 141

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142	requiring a movable tiny home to have a sticker or
143	other documentation certifying compliance therewith;
144	amending s. 553.73, F.S.; requiring the Florida
145	Building Commission to review updates to certain codes
146	which pertain to requirements for movable tiny homes;
147	providing an effective date.
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