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HOUSE BILL NO. 655

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A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 15.2-2247 and 15.2-2290 of the Code of Virginia, relating to zoning; manufactured housing.

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Committee Referral Pending

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That §§ 15.2-2247 and 15.2-2290 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 15.2-2247. Applicability of subdivision ordinance to manufactured home parks.**

Any locality may designate, by ordinance, the areas within its jurisdiction in which ~~manufactured homes may be located or~~ manufactured home parks may be established, notwithstanding the absence of a zoning ordinance in such locality. Such ordinance may also apply to any of the provisions of §§ 15.2-2241 through 15.2-2245 in the regulation and governing of the location, establishment, and operation of ~~manufactured homes or~~ manufactured home parks. The ordinance may apply to any park or portion thereof licensed as a campground pursuant to Title 35.1 ~~of this Code~~. In the event of irreconcilable conflict between the ordinance and state law, the state law shall supersede the ordinance.

§ 15.2-2290. Uniform regulations for manufactured housing.

A. Localities adopting and enforcing zoning ordinances under the provisions of this article shall provide that, in all ~~agricultural zoning districts or districts having similar classifications regardless of name or designation where agricultural, horticultural, or forest uses such as but not limited to those described in § 58.1-3230 are the dominant use where site-built housing is allowed~~, the placement of manufactured houses that are on a permanent foundation and on individual lots shall be permitted, subject to development standards that are equivalent to those applicable to site-built ~~single family~~ *single-family* dwellings within the same or equivalent zoning district.

B. Localities adopting and enforcing zoning regulations under the provisions of this article may, to provide for the general purposes of zoning ordinances, adopt uniform standards, so long as they apply to all residential structures erected within the ~~agricultural zoning district or other districts identified in subsection A of this section incorporating such standards~~. The standards shall not have the effect of excluding manufactured housing *built in compliance with the Virginia Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Law (§ 36-85.2 et seq.)*.

C. Local zoning ordinances adopting provisions consistent with this section shall not relieve lots or parcels from the obligations relating to manufactured housing units imposed by the terms of a restrictive covenant.

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