



April 20, 2022

The Honorable Senator Scott D. Wiener
Chair, Senate Housing Committee
1021 O Street, Room 3330
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Support Letter for SB 1307 (Rubio) – Mobilehome Parks Act: Local Enforcement

Dear Senator Wiener,

On behalf of City of Azusa, we are proud to support Senate Bill 1307.

SB 1307 will help educate local governments about an existing process that allows them to assume responsibility for conducting inspections and enforcing health and safety laws at mobilehome parks located within their jurisdiction.

Long gaps between inspection visits at mobilehome parks can increase the risk that health and safety violations remain undetected and unreported, which can have fatal consequences. Existing law requires the California Department of Housing and Community Development to conduct mobilehome park maintenance inspections. In 2020, the California State Auditor released a report that found the department had only 47 field inspectors responsible for conducting inspections at 3,640 mobilehome parks across the state. The report found that the department did not conduct park inspections at more than half of the active mobilehome parks in its jurisdiction between 2010 and 2019 and concluded that improvements were needed for the inspection process. Although existing law does create a process by which the governing body of a local government may assume inspection responsibility and act as a local enforcement agency, as of March 2022 only a fraction of local governments have assumed that responsibility.

SB 1307 will require the California Department of Housing and Community Development to increase awareness of this process by which local governments can assume inspection and enforcement responsibility of mobilehome parks. The bill requires the department to post a clear and prominent explanation of the process in multiple languages on its Internet website. The bill



also requires the department to send an annual notice that explains the process to every city, county, or city and county that has a mobilehome park located within its jurisdiction.

For these reasons, the City of Azusa is proud to support this important measure and respectfully asks for your "Aye" vote.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'R. Gonzales'.

Robert Gonzales
Mayor
City of Azusa

Cc: Honorable Members, Senate Housing Committee
The Honorable Senator Susan Rubio