

My apologies for not being able to make it to speak with the committee today.  
Thanks for taking my written comment.

Since I last offered comment, I have been able to work through the language of the bill with colleagues from DHCD, AG, Housing Foundation to gain better understanding.

In sum, I support H. 123 and as I understand, some of the exact language is still being reviewed and discussed.

I agree that increasing DHCD and AG enforcement over mobile home park law will offer more options to folks living in parks who may be facing prolonged issues, especially habitability issues in their parks.

Parks do offer affordable housing options for residents. However, I would just add that financing infrastructure repairs can be costly. So enforcement is one side of the coin and options to make necessary infrastructure repairs affordable is the other. Resources for infrastructure repairs come up as a concern in my work with resident-owned cooperative parks.

I believe revised language regarding roads has been delivered to the committee this week. I think the revised language seems more appropriate.

Road conditions and road maintenance especially is an issue in a number of parks that can be difficult to enforce. My initial concern was about setting a road standard that the existing physical layout of parks would not easily accommodate.

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