

HB5238



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/9/2024, by Rep. Kelly M. Cassidy

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 115/18 new

Amends the Illinois Modular Dwelling and Mobile Structure Safety Act. Provides that an installer of manufactured homes must supply a weather radio with specified requirements in each manufactured home installed after 2023. Provides for an annual notice during National Fire Prevention Week to be given by the operator of a mobile home community to replace batteries in weather radios and smoke detectors. Provides installers with immunity from liability for the functionality of weather radios or smoke detectors.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Modular Dwelling and Mobile
5 Structure Safety Act is amended by adding Section 18 as
6 follows:

7 (430 ILCS 115/18 new)

8 Sec. 18. Weather radio requirement.

9 (a) This Section applies to a person that installs a
10 manufactured home in a mobile home community after 2023.

11 (b) A person shall supply a weather radio inside each
12 manufactured home that the person installs. The weather radio
13 must be equipped with the following features:

14 (1) tone alarm activation;

15 (2) specific alert message encoding, or SAME,
16 technology; and

17 (3) public alert standard (CEA-2009) certification.

18 (c) The supplying of a weather radio by a person that
19 installs a manufactured home as required by this Section does
20 not subject the person to liability for the functionality of
21 that weather radio.

22 (d) Each year during National Fire Prevention Week, the
23 operator of a mobile home community is encouraged to provide a

1 written reminder to the owners of all manufactured homes in
2 the mobile home community to replace the batteries in all
3 weather radios and smoke detectors contained in their
4 manufactured homes. Any reminder, assistance, or instructions
5 provided by an operator of a mobile home community concerning
6 the function of a weather radio or smoke detector shall not
7 subject the operator or an owner or employee of the mobile home
8 community to liability for the functionality of that weather
9 radio or smoke detector.