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Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary
Public Service Commission
PO Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Adjudication Division
Public Service Commission

MX-2003-0187

RE: Missouri Public Service Commission Proposed \$400.00 Inspection Fee

Dear, Dale Hardy Roberts;

The proposed \$400.00 inspection fee to inspect manufactured homes is very disturbing to my industry collages and I.

The proposed inspection fee appears like a new tax masquerading as an inspection fee to raise operating funds in an economic down period. The proposed fees must ultimately be passed on the consumer who will bear the cost of this fee.

Some points to consider when making your decision:

- When economics dictate, private industry needs to make deep cuts or cease operation. We in private industry can not institute new fees or raise taxes to our customers to cover our cost. Please keep in mind that we are all the customers of the state.
- If you examine the records I feel that you will find an excessive number of frivolous complaints. If a consumer is serious enough to request an inspection they need to pay an amount to help defer the cost of the inspection. A possible \$50.00 fee that must accompany the complaint form will most likely stop any frivolous complaints, and further relieve the work load of the PSC.
- Consumers and the industry can not afford the proposed fees. The continual increases in fees by the PSC, which must be passed to consumers, are defeating our purpose of providing affordable housing to the public.

I urge you to carefully consider the entire ramifications of the proposed increase in taxes and reject any new fees.

Very Truly Yours



R. E. "Dick" Christensen
President

Cc: state representatives & state senators

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