

(g) "Mobile home" means an industrialized building unit constructed on a chassis for towing to the point of use and designed to be used without a permanent foundation for continuous year-round occupancy as a dwelling; ~~or two or more such units separately towable, but designed to be joined together at the point of use to form a single dwelling, and which is designed for removal to, and installation or erection on other sites.~~ The removal of the unit from its wheels shall not be used to change its character under this Act.

(h) "Secretary" means Secretary of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

(i) "Site" means the entire tract, subdivision or parcel of land on which an industrialized building is installed.

#### 266EE-3. Rules and Regulations.

(a) ~~The Department shall (1) from time to time, promulgate rules and regulations prescribing standards to which industrialized buildings and mobile homes must comply for protection against the hazards thereof to safety, health and property; (2) have due regard for model codes, regulations and standards of nationally recognized organizations when issuing regulations; and (3) establish such regulations and modifications of regulations only after adequate public notice and public hearings are held.~~

(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL, FROM TIME TO TIME, PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS PRESCRIBING STANDARDS TO WHICH INDUSTRIALIZED BUILDINGS AND MOBILE HOMES MUST COMPLY FOR PROTECTION AGAINST THE HAZARDS THEREOF TO SAFETY, HEALTH AND PROPERTY. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT FOR INDUSTRIALIZED BUILDINGS, THE BUILDING OFFICIALS CONFERENCE OF AMERICA BASIC CODE WITH SUCH EXCEPTIONS OR MODIFICATIONS WHICH, AFTER ADEQUATE PUBLIC NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE TO MEET THE NEEDS AND JUDGMENTS OF MARYLAND.

(b) ~~Where practical, the rules and regulations shall be stated in terms of required levels of performance, so as to facilitate the prompt approval of acceptable new building materials and methods. When generally recognized standards of performance are not available, the rules and regulations shall provide for acceptance of materials and methods whose performance have been found by the Department, on the basis of reliable test and evaluation data presented by the proponent, to be substantially equal in safety to those specified when used for the purpose and in the manner recommended.~~

(c) ~~The Department shall have printed and keep in pamphlet form, all rules and regulations prescribing standards for industrialized buildings and mobile homes. Such pamphlets shall be furnished, on request, at cost, to members of the public.~~

(d) ~~No rules or regulations promulgated under this Act shall be made effective earlier than twelve months after the effective date of this Act.~~

#### 266EE-4. Certification and Inspection.

(a) ~~The Department shall, through its own personnel or by an approved testing facility and/or qualified local enforcement agency~~