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An Act to Improve the Process for Mobile Home Owners to Purchase Their Mobile Home Park

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BRADSTREET of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Senators: CYRWAY of Kennebec, MARTIN of Oxford, Representatives: COLLINS of Sidney, DRINKWATER of Milford. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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- **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §9094-A, sub-§3-A,** as enacted by PL 2023, c. 378, §4, is amended to read:
- 3-A. Group of mobile home owners or a mobile home owners' association purchase. The owner of a mobile home park shall consider any offer received before the 60th day after the date the notice was mailed as required by subsection 1 from a group of mobile home owners or a mobile home owners' association, as long as the mobile home owners of at least 51% 60% of the mobile homes in the mobile home park that are occupied by the mobile home owner or a family member of the mobile home owner sign a petition or otherwise indicate in writing that they support making the offer. The owner of the mobile home park shall negotiate in good faith with the group of mobile home owners or the mobile home owners' association concerning a purchase pursuant to an offer made under this subsection. For the purposes of this subsection, negotiating in good faith does not require the owner of a mobile home park to accept an offer to purchase made by a group of mobile home owners or the mobile home owners' association. An offer made by the group of mobile home owners or the mobile home owners' association must include a purchase and sale agreement. If the owner of the mobile home park accepts the offer of the group of mobile home owners or the mobile home owners' association, the group of mobile home owners or the mobile home owners' association must obtain appropriate financing before the 90th day after the execution date of the purchase and sale agreement.

Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §9094-A, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

<u>6. Solicitation of mobile home owners.</u> A mobile home owners' association may not contact a mobile home owner in the mobile home park more than 3 times about the mobile home owners' association purchasing the mobile home park.

SUMMARY

This bill increases from 51% to 60% the percentage of mobile home owners needed to indicate in writing that they support a group of mobile home owners or a mobile home owners' association making an offer to purchase the mobile home park where their mobile homes are located. The bill also prohibits a mobile home owners' association from contacting mobile home owners more than 3 times about the purchase of the mobile home park.