The great part of the bill is that it would allow people displaced by fires to reestablish an affordable residence. It's shocking this had to be legislated. It is evident, as another state senator mentioned on the floor, this bill is another "one-off" to our land-use system because our land-use system obviously is not working the way it is. Perhaps we need to take another look at our land-use policies. Astoundingly, this bill was supported by local governments even though it removes much of their discretion as far as allowing placement of manufactured homes within a stick-built community. As far as I can tell, it appears the locals expressed support in order to remove responsibility from themselves so when angry constituents come to them demanding a change to this policy, they can point to the state and blame us.

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