

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2589**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Gomez**

February 19, 2016

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An act to amend Section 17005.5 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2589, as introduced, Gomez. Employee housing.

The Employee Housing Act requires a person operating employee housing to obtain a permit to operate that housing from the agency that enforces the act, which can either be the Department of Housing and Community Development or a city, county, or city and county that assumes responsibility for enforcing the act. The act defines for its purposes several terms, including the term “employee community housing.”

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 17005.5 of the Health and Safety Code  
2 is amended to read:  
3 17005.5. (a) “Employee community housing” means a  
4 community of single family detached dwellings ~~which~~ *that* meet  
5 all of the following requirements:  
6 (1) Each dwelling has a minimum of four rooms, including a  
7 separate kitchen and a separate bathroom.

- 1 (2) Each dwelling is owned or operated by an employer, and  
2 maintained by ~~such~~ *the* employer in compliance with the provisions  
3 of the State Housing Law, and the regulations adopted pursuant  
4 thereto, ~~which~~ *that* materially affect health and safety.
- 5 (3) Each dwelling is inhabited by not more than one family,  
6 which includes at least one permanent year-round employee of the  
7 employer who owns or operates the dwelling.
- 8 (4) Each dwelling has direct access to a publicly owned and  
9 maintained road.
- 10 (5) Each dwelling is located within a community, as defined  
11 in subdivision (b).
- 12 (b) “Community” means not less than 200 single family  
13 detached dwellings meeting the requirements of subdivision (a),  
14 ~~which~~ *that* are adjacent or in close proximity to each other, and  
15 ~~which~~ *that* have maintenance services available to the residents of  
16 the dwelling units provided by persons employed by the employer  
17 for the express purpose of providing ~~such~~ *those* services.