

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS



INDUSTRY ADVISORY

BEARHFTI to Have Regulatory Authority Over Household Movers

Senate Bill 19 (Hill, Chapter 421, Statutes of 2017) was signed into law on October 2, 2017, moving the regulation of household movers from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to the Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home Furnishings, and Thermal Insulation (Bureau), effective July 1, 2018. The bill also creates a Division of Household Movers (Division) within the Bureau and the Household Movers Fund within the Professions and Vocations Fund. All monies collected from the regulation of this industry are to be deposited in this fund, as will the balance of the CPUC's fund on July 1, 2018, and is to be used for the regulation of household movers.

The full text of the bill can be viewed here:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB19

Legal services for the Bureau will be expanded to expedite the drafting and submission of regulations for administration of this program. While SB 19 allows for the collection of licensing fees, it also requires that, on or before January 1, 2023, the Bureau engage in a fee study, public workshops, and a formal rulemaking to adopt a new fee schedule. Opportunities for public comment and input will be announced on the Bureau's website and interested parties will be notified by email.

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