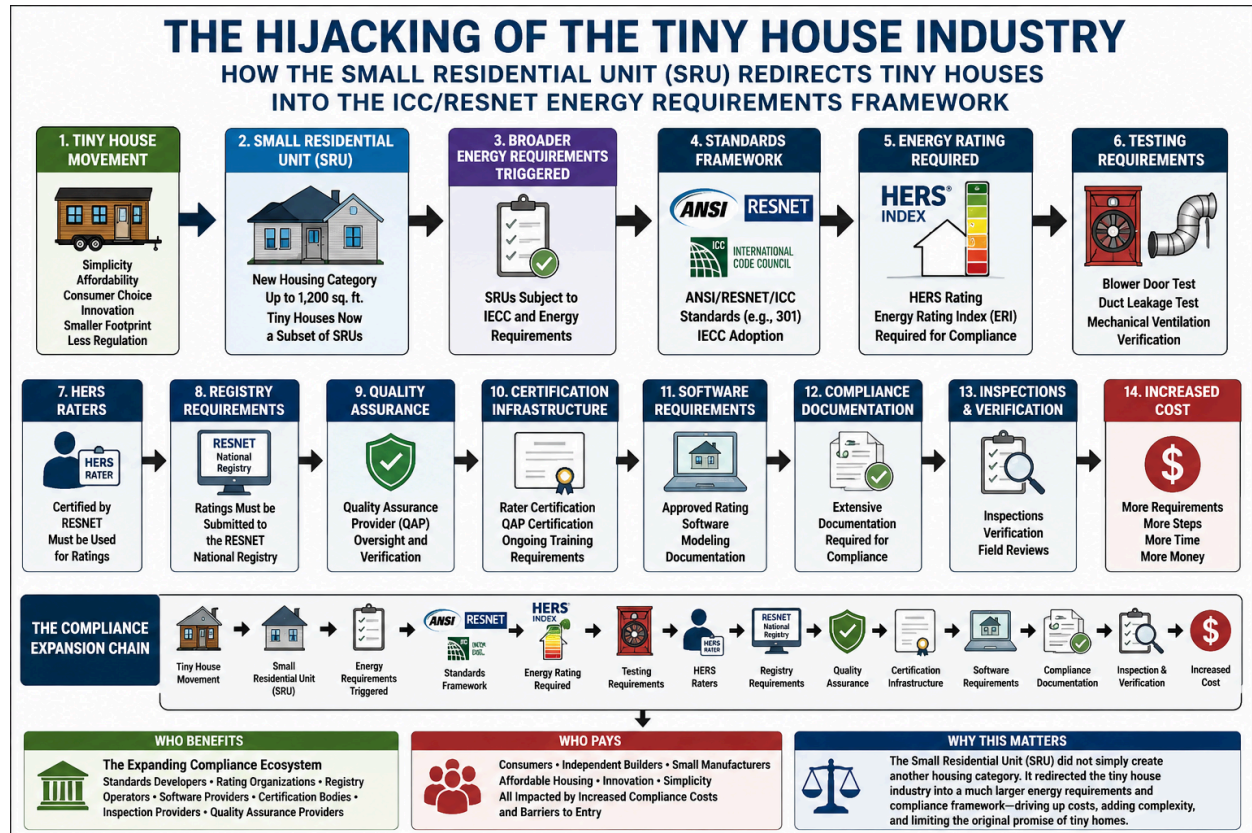


The ICC Hijacking of the Tiny House Industry With The Small Residential Unit



How the Small Residential Unit Redirects Tiny Houses into the ICC–RESNET Energy Requirements Framework

1. The Original Purpose of Tiny Houses

- What the movement originally represented.
- Simplicity.
- Affordability.
- Consumer choice.
- Innovation.
- Smaller footprint—not more regulation.

2. Enter the Small Residential Unit (SRU)

- Why create an entirely new housing category?

- Why redefine tiny houses as a subset of SRUs?
 - Why expand from 400 sq. ft. to 1,200 sq. ft.?
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3. The Energy Requirements Framework

This is the heart of the document.

Show how SRUs become connected to:

- IECC
- ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301
- Energy Rating Index
- HERS Ratings
- Blower Door Tests
- Duct Leakage Tests
- Mechanical Testing
- Quality Assurance
- Registry
- HERS Raters
- Certification
- Software
- Compliance

One arrow after another.

4. The Expanding Compliance Chain

Show the domino effect.

Tiny House

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Small Residential Unit

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Energy Requirements

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ANSI/RESNET/ICC Standards

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HERS Rating

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Blower Door Test

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Registry

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Quality Assurance

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Certification

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Software

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Inspection

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Additional Cost

5. Who Benefits?

Not names.

Organizations.

The expanding compliance ecosystem.

6. Who Pays?

- Consumers.
- Independent builders.

- Small manufacturers.
 - Affordable housing.
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7. Why This Matters

Your conclusion:

The Small Residential Unit did not simply create another housing category.

It redirected the tiny house industry into a much larger building energy requirements framework.

For More Of The Backstory

'Under The' Guise of Standardization' Tiny Houses and Manufactured Homes Are Being Squeezed Out By the Arbitrary Unconstitutional Small Residential Unit (SRU)''

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Tiny House Code Turned Down At ICC For 3rd Time

Yesterday, proponents for an I-Code change to [Appendix BB Tiny Houses](#) presented [comments](#) that would have added chassis provisions to the tiny house code at the International Code Council [PCH](#) in Connecticut yesterday. The new code change was earmarked for the 2027 IRC, but once again, it was turned down. Proponents have tried unsuccessfully for 3 code cycles (**10 years**) to add provisions for movable tiny homes, otherwise known as tiny houses on wheels, or relocatable tiny houses. In two weeks, I

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