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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to liens on personal property in selfservice storage facilities and self-contained storage
units; amending s. 83.806, F.S.; revising notice
requirements for enforcement of liens by the owner of
the self-service storage facility or self-contained
storage unit; specifying a limit on the value of
property stored in the tenant's storage unit;
authorizing the towing of a vehicle in a storage unit
under certain circumstances; limiting the liability of
the owner of a self-service storage facility or selfcontained storage unit after a vehicle is towed from
such facility or unit; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 83.806, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsections (9) and (10) are added to that section, to read:

83.806 Enforcement of lien.—An owner's lien as provided in s. 83.805 may be satisfied as follows:

(4) After the expiration of the time given in the notice, an advertisement of the sale or other disposition shall be published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit is located or posted for 2 consecutive weeks on an Internet website accessible to the public. Inasmuch as any sale may involve property of more than

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one tenant, a single advertisement may be used to dispose of property at any one sale.

(a) The advertisement shall include:

- $\underline{(a)}$ A brief and general description of what is believed to constitute the personal property contained in the storage unit, as provided in paragraph (2)(b).
- $\underline{\text{(b)}}$ 2. The address of the self-service storage facility or the address where the self-contained storage unit is located and the name of the tenant.
- $\underline{\text{(c)}}_3$. The time, place, and manner of the sale or other disposition. The sale or other disposition shall take place not sooner than 15 days after the first publication.
- (b) If there is no newspaper of general circulation in the area where the self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit is located, the advertisement shall be posted at least 10 days before the date of the sale or other disposition in not fewer than three conspicuous places in the neighborhood where the self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit is located.
- (9) If the rental agreement contains a limit on the value of property stored in the tenant's storage unit, the limit is deemed to be the maximum value of the property stored in that unit.
- vehicle's title is deemed to have no prior lienholder, the owner of the self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit may have the vehicle towed. An owner of a self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit is not liable

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for the vehicle or any damages to the vehicle after the wrecker,
tow truck, or car carrier removes the vehicle.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

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