

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RS 04/24/2014 House

The Committee on Appropriations (Ring) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 668 - 691

and insert:

(1) (a) A unit owner, regardless of how his or her title has been acquired, including by purchase at a foreclosure sale or by deed in lieu of foreclosure, is liable for all assessments which come due while he or she is the unit owner. Additionally, a unit owner is jointly and severally liable with the previous owner for all unpaid assessments that came due up to the time of

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11 transfer of title. This liability is without prejudice to any 12 right the owner may have to recover from the previous owner the 13 amounts paid by the owner. For the purposes of this paragraph, 14 the term "previous owner" does not include an association that 15 acquires title to a delinquent property through foreclosure or by deed in lieu of foreclosure. The present unit owner's 16 17 liability for unpaid assessments is limited to any unpaid 18 assessments that accrued before the association acquired title 19 to the delinquent property through foreclosure or by deed in 20 lieu of foreclosure.

Section 11. Subsection (1) of section 719.108, Florida 22 Statutes, is amended to read:

719.108 Rents and assessments; liability; lien and priority; interest; collection; cooperative ownership.-

25 (1) A unit owner, regardless of how title is acquired, 26 including, without limitation, a purchaser at a judicial sale, 27 shall be liable for all rents and assessments coming due while 28 the unit owner is in exclusive possession of a unit. In a 29 voluntary transfer, the unit owner in exclusive possession shall 30 be jointly and severally liable with the previous unit owner for 31 all unpaid rents and assessments against the previous unit owner 32 for his or her share of the common expenses up to the time of 33 the transfer, without prejudice to the rights of the unit owner 34 in exclusive possession to recover from the previous unit owner 35 the amounts paid by the unit owner in exclusive possession 36 therefor. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "previous 37 unit owner" does not include an association that acquires title 38 to a delinquent property through foreclosure or by deed in lieu of foreclosure. The present unit owner's liability for unpaid 39

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40	assessments is limited to any unpaid assessments that accrued
41	before the association acquired title to the delinquent property
42	through foreclosure or by deed in lieu of foreclosure.
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45	And the title is amended as follows:
46	Delete lines 46 - 51
47	and insert:
48	F.S.; clarifying the meaning of the term "previous
49	owner"; limiting the present owner's liability for
50	unpaid assessments to those that accrued before the
51	association acquired title; amending s. 719.108, F.S.;
52	clarifying the meaning of the term "previous unit
53	owner"; limiting the present unit owner's liability
54	for unpaid assessments to those that accrued before
55	the association acquired title;