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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House . Comm: RCS 04/03/2014 The Committee on Judiciary (Ring) recommended the following: Senate Amendment to Amendment (715464) (with title amendment) Between lines 579 and 580 insert: Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 718.116, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 718.116 Assessments; liability; lien and priority; interest; collection.-(1) (a) A unit owner, regardless of how his or her title has been acquired, including by purchase at a foreclosure sale or by

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12 deed in lieu of foreclosure, is liable for all assessments which 13 come due while he or she is the unit owner. Additionally, a unit owner is jointly and severally liable with the previous owner 14 15 for all unpaid assessments that came due up to the time of 16 transfer of title, as well as interest, late charges, and 17 reasonable costs and attorney fees incurred by the association incident to the collection process, except that in the case of a 18 foreclosure sale, the interest, late charges, and reasonable 19 20 attorney fees and costs may not exceed 10 percent of the winning 21 bid amount. This liability is without prejudice to any right the owner may have to recover from the previous owner the amounts 22 23 paid by the owner. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term 24 "previous owner" does not include an association that acquires 25 title to a delinquent property through foreclosure or by deed in 26 lieu of foreclosure. The present unit owner's liability for unpaid assessments, interest, late charges, and reasonable costs 27 28 and attorney fees incurred by the association incident to the 29 collection process is limited to those amounts that accrued 30 before the association acquired title to the delinguent property through foreclosure or by deed in lieu of foreclosure. This 31 32 paragraph does not affect the liability of a first mortgagee or 33 its successor or assignees as provided in paragraph (b). 34 35 36 And the title is amended as follows: Delete line 1224 37 38 and insert: 39 the board from voting via e-mail; amending s. 718.116, 40 F.S.; providing that a unit owner is jointly and

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41 severally liable with the previous owner for certain 42 costs; providing an exception; defining the term 43 "previous owner"; limiting costs and fees incurred by 44 the association incident to the collection process to 45 those incurred before the association acquired title; 46 repealing s.