$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y}$ the Committees on Fiscal Policy; and Regulated Industries; and Senator Hooper

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the Department of Business and
3	Professional Regulation; amending s. 468.8414, F.S.;
4	requiring the department to certify for licensure
5	qualified individuals who practice mold assessment or
6	mold remediation and hold certain licenses issued by
7	other states or territories; amending s. 469.004,
8	F.S.; revising requirements for the issuance of an
9	asbestos consultant's license; requiring the
10	department to certify for licensure by endorsement
11	asbestos consultants and asbestos contractors who meet
12	certain exam and other state licensure requirements;
13	requiring asbestos consultants and asbestos
14	contractors to complete certain courses; amending s.
15	489.514, F.S.; removing a time limitation for applying
16	for certain contracting licenses under certain
17	provisions; amending s. 509.091, F.S.; requiring
18	licensees and licensed agents to provide the
19	department's Division of Hotels and Restaurants with
20	e-mail addresses at which they can be contacted;
21	authorizing the division to deliver notices and
22	inspection reports by e-mail; amending 509.096, F.S.;
23	reducing the correction period for a public lodging
24	establishment to respond to a violation committed on
25	or after a specified date; prohibiting the Division of
26	Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business
27	and Professional Regulation from providing a
28	correction period to a public lodging establishment
29	for a second or subsequent violation committed on or

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30	after a specified date; requiring the division to
31	impose the applicable administrative fines for such
32	violations; amending s. 509.101, F.S.; revising the
33	guest register maintenance requirements that an
34	operator of a transient establishment must meet;
35	amending s. 509.241, F.S.; requiring certain
36	individuals related to public lodging establishments
37	and public food service establishments to maintain a
38	division online account and provide the division with
39	specified information; requiring the division to adopt
40	rules; providing requirements for such rules; amending
41	s. 548.043, F.S.; deleting a requirement limiting the
42	types of boxing exhibitions which require a specified
43	maximum difference in participant weights; amending s.
44	553.73, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Building
45	Commission to delay the effective date of the energy
46	provisions of the Florida Building Code for a
47	specified timeframe under certain circumstances;
48	amending s. 565.04, F.S.; authorizing package stores
49	to sell nicotine products; amending s. 721.075, F.S.;
50	revising requirements for certain incidental benefits
51	related to timeshare plans; amending s. 721.10, F.S.;
52	revising requirements for certain contract
53	cancellations; amending s. 721.11, F.S.; conforming
54	cross-references; amending s. 721.55, F.S.; revising
55	disclosure requirements for multisite timeshare plan
56	public offering statements; providing that developers
57	are not required to file separate public offering
58	statements for component sites under certain

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59	circumstances; providing an effective date.
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61	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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63	Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 468.8414, Florida
64	Statutes, is amended to read:
65	468.8414 Licensure
66	(3) The department shall certify as qualified for a license
67	by endorsement an applicant who is of good moral character, who
68	has the insurance coverage required under s. 468.8421, and who
69	meets at least one of the following requirements:
70	(a) Is qualified to take the examination as set forth in s.
71	468.8413 and has passed a certification examination offered by a
72	nationally recognized organization that certifies persons in the
73	specialty of mold assessment or mold remediation and that has
74	been approved by the department as substantially equivalent to
75	the requirements of this part and s. 455.217.; or
76	(b) Holds a valid license to practice mold assessment or
77	mold remediation issued by another state or territory of the
78	United States if the criteria for issuance of the license were
79	substantially the same as the licensure criteria that is
80	established by this part as determined by the department.
81	(c) Has held a valid license to practice mold assessment or
82	mold remediation issued by another state or territory of the
83	United States for at least 10 years before the date of
84	application. The application for licensure must be made either
85	when the license in the other state or territory is active or
86	within 2 years after such license was last active.
87	Section 2. Present subsection (3) of section 469.004,
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594-04255-23 2023782c2 88 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (4), a new 89 subsection (3) is added to that section, and subsection (1) of that section is amended, to read: 90 91 469.004 License; asbestos consultant; asbestos contractor.-92 (1) All asbestos consultants must be licensed by the 93 department. Except for an asbestos consultant's license issued 94 by endorsement as provided under subsection (3) or otherwise 95 expressly provided by law, an asbestos consultant's license may 96 be issued only to an applicant who holds a current, valid, 97 active license as an architect issued under chapter 481; holds a 98 current, valid, active license as a professional engineer issued 99 under chapter 471; holds a current, valid, active license as a 100 professional geologist issued under chapter 492; is a diplomat 101 of the American Board of Industrial Hygiene; or has been awarded 102 designation as a Certified Safety Professional by the Board of 103 Certified Safety Professionals. 104 (3) The department shall certify as qualified for licensure 105 by endorsement any individual applying for licensure who has 106 passed a written examination that meets the requirements of the 107 United States Environmental Protection Agency Asbestos Model 108 Accreditation Plan, has held a valid license to practice as an 109 asbestos consultant or asbestos contractor issued by another state or territory of the United States for at least 10 years 110 111 before the date of application, and is applying for the same or 112 similar license in this state, subject to ss. 469.005(5) and 113 469.006. The application for licensure must be made either when 114 the license in the other state or territory is active or within 115 2 years after such license was last active. To qualify for 116 licensure by endorsement, an asbestos consultant must complete

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117	the courses required by s. 469.005(2) and an asbestos contractor
118	must complete the courses required by s. 469.005(3).
119	Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 489.514, Florida
120	Statutes, is amended to read:
121	489.514 Certification for registered contractors;
122	grandfathering provisions
123	(3) An applicant must make application by November 1, 2021,
124	to be licensed pursuant to this section.
125	Section 4. Section 509.091, Florida Statutes, is amended to
126	read:
127	509.091 Notices; form and service
128	(1) All licensees and licensed agents must provide an e-
129	mail address to the division to function as the primary method
130	of contact for all communication with the division.
131	(2) Each notice or inspection report served by the division
132	pursuant to this chapter must be in writing and must be
133	delivered personally by an agent of the division, sent by e-
134	<u>mail,</u> or <u>mailed</u> by registered letter to the operator of the
135	public lodging establishment or public food service
136	establishment. If the operator refuses to accept service or
137	evades service or the agent is otherwise unable to effect
138	service after due diligence, the division may post such notice
139	or inspection report in a conspicuous place at the
140	establishment.
141	(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the division may
142	deliver lodging inspection reports and food service inspection
143	reports to the operator of the public lodging establishment or
144	public food service establishment by electronic means.
145	Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 509.096, Florida

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594-04255-23 2023782c2 Statutes, is amended to read: 146 147 509.096 Human trafficking awareness training and policies 148 for employees of public lodging establishments; enforcement.-149 (3) For a violation committed on or after July 1, 2023, the 150 division shall impose an administrative fine of \$2,000 per day 151 on a public lodging establishment that is not in compliance with 152 this section and remit the fines to the direct-support 153 organization established under s. 16.618, unless the division 154 receives adequate written documentation from the public lodging 155 establishment which provides assurance that each deficiency will 156 be corrected within 45 90 days after the division provided the public lodging establishment with notice of its violation. For a 157 158 second or subsequent violation of this subsection committed on 159 or after July 1, 2023, the division may not provide a correction 160 period to a public lodging establishment and must impose the 161 applicable administrative fines. 162 Section 6. Subsection (2) of section 509.101, Florida 163 Statutes, is amended to read:

164 509.101 Establishment rules; posting of notice; food 165 service inspection report; maintenance of guest register; mobile 166 food dispensing vehicle registry.-

167 (2) It is the duty of each operator of a transient 168 establishment to maintain at all times a register of, signed by 169 or for guests who occupy rental units within the establishment, 170 showing the dates upon which the rental units were occupied by 171 such quests and the rates charged for their occupancy. Each 172 operator shall maintain this register shall be maintained in chronological order, shall make the register and available for 173 174 inspection by the division at any time, and may keep the

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register in an electronic format. Operators need not make
available registers <u>that</u> which are more than 2 years old.
Section 7. Subsection (4) is added to section 509.241,
Florida Statutes, to read:
509.241 Licenses required; exceptions
(4) ONLINE ACCOUNT AND TRANSACTIONSExcept as provided in
paragraph (c), each person who plans to open a public lodging
establishment or a public food service establishment and each
licensee or licensed agent must create and maintain a division
online account and provide an e-mail address to the division to
function as the primary contact for all communication from the
division.
(a) Licensees and licensed agents are responsible for
maintaining accurate contact information on file with the
division.
(b) Each licensee issued a license or licensed agent
managing a license classified as a vacation rental or timeshare
project, as those terms are defined in s. 509.242(1)(c) and (g),
respectively, must submit any change in the street or unit
address or number of houses or units included under the license
within 30 days after the change. All changes must be filed with
the division through the division's online system.
(c) The division shall adopt such rules as are necessary to
carry out this subsection. The rules must include a provision
that specifies circumstances under which a public lodging
establishment or a public food service establishment and each
licensee or licensed agent may opt out of the requirement to
have a division online account.
Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 548.043, Florida

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204	Statutes, is amended to read:
205	548.043 Weights and classes, limitations; gloves
206	(2) The commission shall establish by rule the acceptable
207	difference in weight between participants; however, the maximum
208	difference in weight in boxing matches <u>may</u> shall not exceed 12
209	pounds, except matches in the cruiserweight and heavyweight
210	classes and exhibitions held solely for training purposes.
211	Section 9. Paragraph (e) of subsection (7) of section
212	553.73, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
213	553.73 Florida Building Code.—
214	(7)
215	(e) A rule updating the Florida Building Code in accordance
216	with this subsection shall take effect no sooner than 6 months
217	after publication of the updated code. Any amendment to the
218	Florida Building Code which is adopted upon a finding by the
219	commission that the amendment is necessary to protect the public
220	from immediate threat of harm takes effect immediately. If
221	energy code compliance software is not approved by the
222	commission at least 3 months before the effective date of the
223	updated Florida Building Code, the commission may delay the
224	effective date of the energy provisions of the Florida Building
225	Code for up to 3 additional months.
226	Section 10. Subsection (1) of section 565.04, Florida
227	Statutes, is amended to read:
228	565.04 Package store restrictions
229	(1) Vendors licensed under s. 565.02(1)(a) shall not in
230	said place of business sell, offer, or expose for sale any
231	merchandise other than such beverages, and such places of
232	business shall be devoted exclusively to such sales; provided,

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594-04255-23 2023782c2 233 however, that such vendors shall be permitted to sell bitters, 234 grenadine, nonalcoholic mixer-type beverages (not to include 235 fruit juices produced outside this state), fruit juices produced 236 in this state, home bar, and party supplies and equipment 237 (including but not limited to glassware and party-type foods), miniatures of no alcoholic content, nicotine products, and 238 239 tobacco products. Such places of business shall have no openings 240 permitting direct access to any other building or room, except to a private office or storage room of the place of business 241 242 from which patrons are excluded.

243 Section 11. Section 721.075, Florida Statutes, is amended 244 to read:

245 721.075 Incidental benefits.—Incidental benefits shall be 246 offered only as provided in this section.

(1) Accommodations, facilities, products, services,
discounts, or other benefits which satisfy the requirements of
this subsection <u>are shall be</u> subject to the provisions of this
section and exempt from the other provisions of this chapter
which would otherwise apply to such accommodations or facilities
if and only if:

(a) The use of or participation in the incidental benefit
by the prospective purchaser is completely voluntary, and
payment of any fee or other cost associated with the incidental
benefit is required only upon such use or participation.

(b) <u>The</u> No costs of acquisition, operation, maintenance, or repair of the incidental benefit <u>may not be</u> are passed on to purchasers of the timeshare plan as common expenses of the timeshare plan or as common expenses of a component site of a multisite timeshare plan.

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          (c) The continued availability of the incidental benefit is
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     not necessary in order for any accommodation or facility of the
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     timeshare plan to be available for use by purchasers of the
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     timeshare plan in a manner consistent in all material respects
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     with the manner portrayed by any promotional material,
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     advertising, or purchaser public offering statement.
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           (d) The continued availability to purchasers of timeshare
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     plan accommodations on no greater than a one-to-one use right to
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     use night requirement ratio is not dependent upon continued
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     availability of the incidental benefit.
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           (e) The incidental benefit will continue to be available in
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     the manner represented to prospective purchasers for up to 3
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     years or less after the first date that the timeshare plan is
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     available for use by the purchaser. Nothing herein prevents
     shall prevent the renewal or extension of the availability of an
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     incidental benefit.
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           (f) The aggregate represented value of all incidental
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     benefits offered by a developer to a purchaser may not exceed 15
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     percent of the purchase price paid by the purchaser for his or
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     her timeshare interest.
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          (q) The incidental benefit is filed with the division for
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283 review in conjunction with the filing of a timeshare plan or in 284 connection with a previously filed timeshare plan.

(2) Each purchaser shall execute a separate acknowledgment
and disclosure statement with respect to all incidental
benefits, which statement <u>must</u> shall include the following
information:

(a) A fair description of the incidental benefit,
including, but not limited to, any user fees or costs associated

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594-04255-23 2023782c2 291 therewith and any restrictions upon use or availability. 292 (b) A statement that use of or participation in the 293 incidental benefit by the prospective purchaser is completely 294 voluntary, and that payment of any fee or other cost associated 295 with the incidental benefit is required only upon such use or 296 participation. 297 (c) A statement that the incidental benefit is not 298 assignable or otherwise transferable by the prospective 299 purchaser or purchaser without the approval of the provider of 300 the incidental benefit. 301 (d) The following disclosure in conspicuous type 302 immediately above the space for the purchaser's signature: 303 304 The incidental benefit [s] described in this statement is 305 [are] offered to prospective purchasers of the timeshare plan 306 [or other permitted reference under pursuant to s. 307 721.11(5)(a)]. This [These] benefit[s] is [are] available for 308 your use for [some period up to 3 years or less] after the first 309 date that the timeshare plan is available for your use. The 310 availability of the incidental benefit[s] may or may not be 311 renewed or extended. You should not purchase an interest in the 312 timeshare plan in reliance upon the continued availability or renewal or extension of this [these] benefit[s]. 313 314 (e) A statement indicating the source of the services, 315 points, or other products that constitute the incidental 316 benefit. 317 318 The acknowledgment and disclosure statement for any incidental

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benefit shall be filed with the division before prior to use.

594-04255-23 2023782c2 320 Each purchaser must shall receive a copy of his or her executed 321 acknowledgment and disclosure statement as a document required 322 to be provided to him or her under pursuant to s. 721.10(1)(b). 323 (3) (a) In the event that an incidental benefit becomes 324 unavailable to purchasers in the manner represented by the 325 developer in the acknowledgment and disclosure statement, the 326 developer shall pay the purchaser the greater of twice the 327 verifiable retail value or twice the represented value of the 328 unavailable incidental benefit in cash within 30 days after of 329 the date that the unavailability of the incidental benefit was 330 made known to the developer, unless the developer has reserved a 331 substitution right under pursuant to paragraph (b) and timely

332 makes the substitution as required by paragraph (b). The 333 developer shall promptly notify the division upon learning of 334 the unavailability of any incidental benefit.

335 (b) If an incidental benefit becomes unavailable as a 336 result of events beyond the control of the developer, the 337 developer may reserve the right to substitute a replacement 338 incidental benefit of a type, quality, value, and term 339 reasonably similar to the unavailable incidental benefit. If the 340 developer reserves the right to substitute, the acknowledgment 341 and disclosure statement required under pursuant to paragraph 342 (2) (a) must shall contain the following conspicuous disclosure: 343

In the event any incidental benefit described in this statement becomes unavailable as a result of events beyond the control of the developer, the developer reserves the right to substitute a replacement incidental benefit of a type, quality, value, and term reasonably similar to the unavailable incidental

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349	benefit.
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351	The substituted incidental benefit <u>must</u> shall be <u>made available</u>
352	delivered to the purchaser within 30 days after the date that
353	the unavailability of the incidental benefit was made known to
354	the developer.
355	(4) All purchaser remedies <u>under</u> pursuant to s. 721.21 <u>are</u>
356	shall be available for any violation of the provisions of this
357	section.
358	Section 12. Present subsections (2) and (3) of section
359	721.10, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (3)
360	and (4), respectively, a new subsection (2) is added to that
361	section, and subsection (1) of that section is amended, to read:
362	721.10 Cancellation
363	(1) A purchaser has the right to cancel the contract until
364	midnight <u>on</u> of the 10th calendar day <u>after the later of</u>
365	following whichever of the following days occurs later:
366	(a) The execution date of the contract; or
367	(b) The day on which the purchaser received the last of all
368	documents required to be provided to him or her, including the
369	notice required by s. 721.07(2)(d)2., if applicable.
370	(2) This right of cancellation may not be waived by any
371	purchaser or by any other person on behalf of the purchaser <u>, and</u>
372	any attempt to obtain a waiver of the cancellation right of the
373	purchaser is unlawful. If a purchaser waives, knowingly or
374	unknowingly, his or her right of cancellation and a closing
375	occurs, such closing is voidable at the option of the purchaser
376	for up to 1 year after the date that would have been the
377	expiration of the cancellation period under subsection (1).
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594-04255-23 2023782c2 378 Furthermore, a no closing may not occur until the cancellation 379 period of the timeshare purchaser has expired, and if a closing 380 occurs before the expiration of the cancellation period, - Any attempt to obtain a waiver of the cancellation right of the 381 382 timeshare purchaser, or to hold a closing prior to the 383 expiration of the cancellation period, is unlawful and such 384 closing is voidable at the option of the purchaser for up to 5 385 years after such closing a period of 1 year after the expiration 386 of the cancellation period. However, nothing in this section 387 precludes the execution of documents in advance of closing for 388 delivery after expiration of the cancellation period.

389 Section 13. Paragraphs (b) and (e) of subsection (6) of 390 section 721.11, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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721.11 Advertising materials; oral statements.-

(6) Failure to provide cancellation rights or disclosures as required by this subsection in connection with the sale of a regulated short-term product constitutes misrepresentation in accordance with paragraph (4) (a). Any agreement relating to the sale of a regulated short-term product must be regulated as advertising material and is subject to the following:

398 (b) A purchaser of a regulated short-term product has the 399 right to cancel the agreement until midnight of the 10th 400 calendar day following the execution date of the agreement. The 401 right of cancellation may not be waived by the prospective 402 purchaser or by any other person on behalf of the prospective 403 purchaser. Notice of cancellation must be given in the same 404 manner prescribed for giving notice of cancellation under s. 405 721.10(3) s. 721.10(2). If the prospective purchaser gives a valid notice of cancellation or is otherwise entitled to cancel 406

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594-04255-23 2023782c2 407 the sale, the funds or other property received from or on behalf 408 of the prospective purchaser, or the proceeds thereof, must be 409 returned to the prospective purchaser. Such refund must be made 410 in the same manner prescribed for refunds under s. 721.10. 411 (e) If the seller provides the purchaser with the right to cancel the purchase of a regulated short-term product at any 412 413 time up to 7 days prior to the purchaser's reserved use of the 414 accommodations, but in no event less than 10 days, and if the 415 seller refunds the total amount of all payments made by the 416 purchaser reduced by the proportion of any benefits the 417 purchaser has actually received prior to the effective date of 418 the cancellation, the specific value of which has been agreed to 419 between the purchaser and the seller, the short-term product 420 offer shall be exempt from the requirements of paragraphs (b), 421 (c), and (d). An agreement relating to the sale of the regulated 422 short-term product made pursuant to this paragraph must contain 423 a statement setting forth the cancellation and refund rights of 424 the prospective purchaser in a manner that is consistent with 425 this section and s. 721.10, including a description of the 426 length of the cancellation right, a statement that the 427 purchaser's intent to cancel must be in writing and sent to the 428 seller at a specified address, a statement that the notice of 429 cancellation is effective upon the date sent, and a statement 430 that any attempt to waive the cancellation right is unlawful. 431 The right of cancellation provided to the purchaser pursuant to 432 this paragraph may not be waived by the prospective purchaser or 433 by any other person on behalf of the prospective purchaser. 434 Notice of cancellation must be given in the same manner prescribed for giving notice of cancellation pursuant to s. 435

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594-04255-23 2023782c2 436 721.10(3) s. 721.10(2). If the prospective purchaser gives a 437 valid notice of cancellation, or is otherwise entitled to cancel 438 the sale, the funds or other property received from or on behalf 439 of the prospective purchaser, or the proceeds thereof, shall be 440 returned to the prospective purchaser. Such refund shall be made in the manner prescribed for refunds under s. 721.10. 441 442 Section 14. Paragraph (1) of subsection (4) and paragraph 443 (1) of subsection (7) of section 721.55, Florida Statutes, are 444 amended to read: 721.55 Multisite timeshare plan public offering statement.-445 446 Each filed public offering statement for a multisite timeshare 447 plan shall contain the information required by this section and 448 shall comply with the provisions of s. 721.07, except as 449 otherwise provided therein. The division is authorized to 450 provide by rule the method by which a developer must provide 451 such information to the division. Each multisite timeshare plan 452 filed public offering statement shall contain the following 453 information and disclosures: 454 (4) A text, which shall include, where applicable, the 455 information and disclosures set forth in paragraphs (a) - (1). 456 (1) A description of each component site, which description 457 may be disclosed in a written, graphic, tabular, or other form 458 approved by the division or provided to the purchaser 459 electronically, including, but not limited to, through a website or other Internet-based access. The description of each 460 461 component site must shall include all of the following 462 information: 463 1. The name and address of each component site.

2. The number of accommodations, timeshare interests, and

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594-04255-23 2023782c2 465 timeshare periods, expressed in periods of 7-day use 466 availability, committed to the multisite timeshare plan and 467 available for use by purchasers. 468 3. Each type of accommodation in terms of the number of 469 bedrooms, bathrooms, sleeping capacity, and whether or not the 470 accommodation contains a full kitchen. As used in For purposes 471 of this subparagraph description, the term "full kitchen" means 472 a full kitchen shall mean a kitchen with at least having a 473 minimum of a dishwasher, range, sink, oven, and refrigerator. 474 4. A description of facilities available for use by the 475 purchaser at each component site, including the following: 476 a. The intended use of the facility, if not apparent from 477 the description. 478 b. Any user fees associated with a purchaser's use of the 479 facility. 480 5. A cross-reference to the location in the public offering 481 statement of the description of any priority reservation 482 features which may affect a purchaser's ability to obtain a 483 reservation in the component site. 484 (7) The following documents shall be included as exhibits 485 to the filed public offering statement, if applicable: 486 (1)1. If the multisite timeshare plan contains any 487 component sites located in this state, the information required 488 by s. 721.07(5) pertaining to each such component site, unless 489 exempt under pursuant to s. 721.03. 490 2. If the purchaser will receive an interest in a specific 491 multisite timeshare plan component site located outside of this 492 state but which is offered in this state, the information

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required by s. 721.07(5) pertaining to that component site. $_{\tau}$

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494	provided, However, <u>for purposes of this paragraph, that the</u>
495	provisions of s. 721.07(5)(t) shall only <u>requires</u> require
496	disclosure of information related to the estimated budget for
497	the timeshare plan and purchaser's expenses as required by the
498	jurisdiction in which the component site is located.
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500	A developer is not required to file a separate public offering
501	statement for any component site located within or outside the
502	state in order to include the component site in the multisite
503	timeshare plan.
504	Section 15. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.