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A bill to be entitled 1 An act relating to sale of recreational 2 3 facilities; prohibiting an owner of certain recreational facilities from selling or 4 5 destroying such facilities under certain circumstances; providing requirements and 6 7 procedures for selling such facilities; 8 providing exceptions; providing an effective 9 date. 10 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 12 13 Section 1. (1) The owner of recreational facilities 14 located within a residential subdivision governed by a 15 homeowners' association shall not sell or destroy such 16 recreational facilities or other property unless the right to 17 purchase such recreational facilities is first given to the 18 homeowners' association and then to the owners of lots within 19 the subdivision as follows: 20 (a) If the owner offers the recreational facilities 21 within a residential subdivision for sale or wishes to destroy 2.2 such property, she or he shall notify the officers of the homeowners' association by certified mail, stating the price, 23 24 terms, and conditions of the sale, and shall notify the owners 25 individually by a notice prominently displayed at the entrance 26 to the subdivision. 27 (b) The owners, by and through the association or 28 individually if the association declines to act, shall have 29 the right to purchase the recreational facilities, provided the homeowners meet the price, terms, and conditions of the 30 owner of the facilities by executing a contract with the owner 31 1

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within 45 days after the date of receipt of the notice, unless 1 2 agreed to otherwise. If a contract between the owner of the 3 facilities and the association is not executed within such 45-day period, the owners may individually sign a contract 4 5 within 10 days after the 45-day period. Unless the owner of 6 the facilities thereafter elects to offer the recreational 7 facilities at a price lower than the price specified in her or 8 his notice to the officers of the homeowners' association and 9 in the posted notice, the owner of the facilities has no further obligations under this subsection and her or his only 10 11 obligation shall be as set forth in subsection (2). 12 (c) If the owner of the facilities thereafter elects 13 to offer the recreational facilities at a price lower than the 14 price specified in her or his notice to the homeowners, the 15 homeowners, by and through the association, shall have an 16 additional 10 days to meet the price, terms, and conditions of the owner of the facilities by executing a contract. The 17 individual owners shall have 10 days to accept such offer if 18 19 the association declines to act. 20 (2) If no destruction of the recreational facilities is involved, this section does not apply to: 21 22 (a) Any sale or transfer to a person who would be 23 included within the table of descent and distribution if the 24 owner of the facilities were to die intestate; (b) Any transfer by gift, devise, or operation of law; 25 26 (c) Any transfer by a corporation to an affiliate. As used in this section, the term "affiliate" means any 27 28 shareholder of the transferring corporation; any corporation 29 or entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the transferring corporation; or any other corporation or entity 30 31

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owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any 1 2 shareholder of the transferring corporation; 3 Any transfer by a partnership to any of its (d) 4 partners; 5 (e) Any conveyance of interest incidental to б financing; 7 (f) Any conveyance resulting from the foreclosure of a 8 mortgage, deed of trust, or other instrument encumbering the 9 facilities or any deed given in lieu of such foreclosure; 10 (g) Any sale or transfer between or among joint 11 tenants or tenants in common; or 12 (h) The purchase of a mobile home park by a governmental entity under its powers of eminent domain. 13 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 14 15 law. 16 17 18 HOUSE SUMMARY 19 Prohibits an owner of recreational facilities located within a residential subdivision from selling or destroying such facilities without first offering them for sale to the subdivision's homeowners' association or individual homeowners within the subdivision. 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 3

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