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2 An act relating to timeshare plans; amending s. 721.02, 3 F.S.; revising language with respect to legislative purpose under the Florida Vacation Plan and Timesharing 4 5 Act; amending s. 721.03, F.S.; revising language with б respect to the scope of the act to include reference to 7 personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.05, 8 F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 721.06, F.S.; 9 revising language with respect to contracts for purchase 10 of timeshare interests to include provisions with respect 11 to personal property timeshare interests; amending s. 12 721.065, F.S.; revising language with respect to resale 13 purchase agreements to include reference to certain real 14 property and personal property timeshare plans; amending 15 s. 721.07, F.S.; revising language with respect to public offering statements; amending s. 721.075, F.S.; revising 16 17 language with respect to incidental benefits; requiring 18 purchasers to execute a statement indicating the source of the benefit; amending s. 721.08, F.S.; revising language 19 20 with respect to escrow accounts; amending s. 721.09, F.S.; 21 revising language with respect to reservation agreements; amending s. 721.11, F.S.; revising language with respect 22 to advertising materials; correcting cross references; 23 amending s. 721.12, F.S.; providing for required 24 recordkeeping by the seller of a personal property 25 timeshare plan; amending s. 721.13, F.S.; revising 26 27 language with respect to management; correcting a cross reference; amending s. 721.14, F.S.; providing that a 28 29 section of law governing the discharge of the managing

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30	entity shall not apply with respect to personal property
31	timeshare plans; amending s. 721.15, F.S.; revising
32	language with respect to assessments for common expenses;
33	amending s. 721.16, F.S.; providing that a section of law
34	governing certain liens does not apply to personal
35	property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.17, F.S.;
36	revising language with respect to transfer of interest;
37	amending s. 721.18, F.S.; revising language with respect
38	to exchange programs; amending s. 721.19, F.S.; including
39	reference to personal property timeshare interests;
40	amending s. 721.20, F.S., relating to licensing
41	requirements; providing for the application of certain
42	provisions to personal property timeshare plans; amending
43	s. 721.24, F.S.; exempting accommodations and facilities
44	of personal property timeshare plans from a provision of
45	law governing firesafety; amending s. 721.26, F.S.;
46	revising language with respect to regulation by the
47	division; amending s. 721.52, F.S.; redefining the term
48	"multisite timeshare plan" and defining the terms
49	"nonspecific multisite timeshare plan" and "specific
50	multisite timeshare plan"; amending s. 721.53, F.S.;
51	revising language with respect to subordination
52	instruments; amending s. 721.54, F.S.; correcting a cross
53	reference; amending s. 721.55, F.S.; providing reference
54	to filed rather than registered public offering
55	statements; providing reference to multisite timeshare
56	plans; amending s. 721.551, F.S.; providing for reference
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58	statements; amending s. 721.552, F.S.; providing reference
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HB 0277 2004 88 Legislature that this chapter be interpreted broadly in order to 89 encompass all forms of timeshare plans with a duration of at 90 least 3 years that are created with respect to accommodations and facilities that are located in the state or that are offered 91 92 for sale in the state as provided herein, including, but not 93 limited to, condominiums, cooperatives, undivided interest 94 campgrounds, cruise ships, vessels, houseboats, and recreational vehicles and other motor vehicles, and including vacation clubs, 95 96 multisite vacation plans, and multiyear vacation and lodging 97 certificates. Section 2. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) of 98 99 section 721.03, Florida Statutes, and subsection (8) of said section, is amended to read: 100 101 721.03 Scope of chapter. --102 (1)This chapter applies to all timeshare plans consisting 103 of more than seven timeshare periods over a period of at least 3 104 years in which the accommodations and facilities, if any, are 105 located within this state or offered within this state; provided 106 that: 107 (d) For purposes of determining the term of the plan, the period of any automatic renewals shall be included, except as 108 109 provided in s. 721.52(4)(b). 110 With respect to any personal property accommodation or (8) facility of a timeshare plan: which is situated upon 111 This chapter applies only to personal property 112 (a) 113 timeshare plans that are offered in this state. τ 114 The division shall have the authority to adopt rules (b) 115 interpreting and implementing the provisions of this chapter as 116 they apply to any personal property timeshare plan or any such Page 4 of 129

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HB 0277 2004 117 accommodation or facility that is part of a personal property 118 timeshare plan offered in this state, or as the provisions of 119 this chapter they apply to any other laws of this state, of the several states, or of the United States, or of any other 120 121 jurisdiction, with respect to any personal property timeshare plan or any such accommodation or facility that is part of a 122 personal property timeshare plan offered in this state. 123 124 (c) Any developer and any managing entity of a personal 125 property timeshare plan must submit to personal jurisdiction in this state in a form satisfactory to the division at the time of 126 127 filing a public offering statement. Section 3. Section 721.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to 128 129 read: 130 721.05 Definitions. -- As used in this chapter, the term: "Accommodation" means any apartment, condominium or 131 (1)132 cooperative unit, cabin, lodge, hotel or motel room, campground, 133 cruise ship cabin, houseboat or other vessel, recreational or other motor vehicle, or any or other private or commercial 134 135 structure which is situated on real or personal property and 136 designed for overnight occupancy or use by one or more 137 individuals. The term does not include an incidental benefit as defined in this section. 138 "Agreement for deed" means any written contract 139 (2) 140 utilized in the sale of timeshare estates which provides that 141 legal title will not be conveyed to the purchaser until the 142 contract price has been paid in full and the terms of payment of 143 which extend for a period in excess of 180 days after either the 144 date of execution of the contract or completion of construction, 145 whichever occurs later.

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2004 146 (3) "Agreement for transfer" means any written contract 147 utilized in the sale of personal property timeshare interests which provides that legal title will not be transferred to the 148 149 purchaser until the contract price has been paid in full and the terms of payment of which extend for a period in excess of 180 150 151 days after either the date of execution of the contract or 152 completion of construction, whichever occurs later.

153 (4) "Assessment" means the share of funds required for 154 the payment of common expenses which is assessed from time to 155 time against each purchaser by the managing entity.

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(5)(4) "Closing" means:

(a) For any plan selling timeshare estates, conveyance of 157 the legal or beneficial title to a timeshare estate as evidenced 158 159 by the delivery of a deed for conveyance of legal title, or 160 other instrument for conveyance of beneficial title, to the purchaser or to the clerk of the court for recording or 161 162 conveyance of the equitable title to a timeshare estate as 163 evidenced by the irretrievable delivery of an agreement for deed to the clerk of the court for recording. 164

165 For any plan selling timeshare licenses or personal (b) property timeshare interests, the final execution and delivery 166 167 by all parties of the last document necessary for vesting in the 168 purchaser the full rights available under the plan.

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(6)(5) "Common expenses" means:

Those expenses, fees, or taxes properly incurred for 170 (a) 171 the maintenance, operation, and repair of the accommodations or 172 facilities, or both, constituting the timeshare plan.

173 Any other expenses, fees, or taxes designated as (b) 174 common expenses in a timeshare instrument.

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HB 0277 2004 175 (c) Any past due and uncollected ad valorem taxes assessed 176 against a timeshare development pursuant to s. 192.037.

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(7)(6) "Completion of construction" means:

(a)1. That a certificate of occupancy has been issued for the entire building in which the timeshare unit being sold is located, or for the improvement, or that the equivalent authorization has been issued, by the governmental body having jurisdiction; or

183 2. In a jurisdiction in which no certificate of occupancy 184 or equivalent authorization is issued, that the construction, 185 finishing, and equipping of the building or improvements 186 according to the plans and specifications have been 187 substantially completed; or

188 <u>3. With respect to personal property timeshare plans, that</u>
189 <u>all accommodations have been manufactured or built and acquired</u>
190 <u>or leased by the developer, owners' association, managing</u>
191 <u>entity, trustee, or other person for the use of purchasers as</u>
192 <u>set forth in the timeshare instrument;</u> and

(b) That all accommodations and facilities of the timeshare plan are available for use in a manner identical in all material respects to the manner portrayed by the promotional material, advertising, and <u>filed</u> registered public offering statements.

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(8)(7) "Conspicuous type" means:

(a) Type in upper and lower case letters two point sizes larger than the largest nonconspicuous type, exclusive of headings, on the page on which it appears but in at least 10point type; or

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(b) Where the use of 10-point type would be impractical or

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impossible with respect to a particular piece of written advertising material, a different style of type or print may be used, so long as the print remains conspicuous under the circumstances.

Where conspicuous type is required, it must be separated on all sides from other type and print. Conspicuous type may be utilized in contracts for purchase or public offering statements only where required by law or as authorized by the division.

213 (9)(8) "Contract" means any agreement conferring the 214 rights and obligations of a timeshare plan on the purchaser. 215 (10)(9) "Developer" includes:

(a) A "creating developer," which means any person who creates the timeshare plan;

(b) A "successor developer," which means any person who succeeds to the interest of the persons in this subsection by sale, lease, assignment, mortgage, or other transfer, but the term includes only those persons who offer timeshare interests in the ordinary course of business; and

(c) A "concurrent developer," which means any person acting concurrently with the persons in this subsection with the purpose of offering timeshare interests in the ordinary course of business.

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(d) The term "developer" does not include:

1. An owner of a timeshare interest who has acquired the timeshare interest for his or her own use and occupancy and who later offers it for resale; provided that a rebuttable presumption shall exist that an owner who has acquired more than seven timeshare interests did not acquire them for his or her

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233 own use and occupancy;

234 2. A managing entity, not otherwise a developer, that 235 offers, or engages a third party to offer on its behalf, 236 timeshare interests in a timeshare plan which it manages, 237 provided that such offer complies with the provisions of s. 238 721.065;

3. A person who owns or is conveyed, assigned, or transferred more than seven timeshare interests and who subsequently conveys, assigns, or transfers all acquired timeshare interests to a single purchaser in a single transaction, which transaction may occur in stages; or

244 A person who has acquired or has the right to acquire 4. 245 more than seven timeshare interests from a developer or other 246 interestholder in connection with a loan, securitization, conduit, or similar financing arrangement transaction and who 247 248 subsequently arranges for all or a portion of the timeshare 249 interests to be offered by one or more developers in the ordinary course of business on their own behalves or on behalf 250 251 of such person.

252 (e) A successor or concurrent developer shall be exempt 253 from any liability inuring to a predecessor or concurrent developer of the same timeshare plan, except as provided in s. 254 255 721.15(7), provided that this exemption shall not apply to any 256 of the successor or concurrent developer's responsibilities, 257 duties, or liabilities with respect to the timeshare plan that 258 accrue after the date the successor or concurrent developer 259 became a successor or concurrent developer, and provided that 260 such transfer does not constitute a fraudulent transfer. In 261 addition to other provisions of law, a transfer by a predecessor

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HB 0277 2004 262 developer to a successor or concurrent developer shall be deemed 263 fraudulent if the predecessor developer made the transfer: 264 With actual intent to hinder, delay, or defraud any 1. 265 purchaser or the division; or 266 To a person that would constitute an insider under s. 2. 267 726.102(7). 268 269 The provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed to 270 relieve any successor or concurrent developer from the 271 obligation to comply with the provisions of any applicable 272 timeshare instrument. (11)(10) "Division" means the Division of Florida Land 273 274 Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes of the Department of 275 Business and Professional Regulation. 276 (12) (11) "Enrolled" means paid membership in an exchange 277 program or membership in an exchange program evidenced by 278 written acceptance or confirmation of membership. 279 (13)(12) "Escrow account" means an account established 280 solely for the purposes set forth in this chapter with a 281 financial institution located within this state. 282 (14)(13) "Escrow agent" includes only: 283 (a) A savings and loan association, bank, trust company, or other financial institution, any of which must be located in 284 285 this state and any of which must have a net worth in excess of \$5 million; 286 287 (b) An attorney who is a member of The Florida Bar or his 288 or her law firm; 289 (c) A real estate broker who is licensed pursuant to 290 chapter 475 or his or her brokerage firm; or Page 10 of 129

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(d) A title insurance agent that is licensed pursuant to
s. 626.8417, a title insurance agency that is licensed pursuant
to s. 626.8418, or a title insurer authorized to transact
business in this state pursuant to s. 624.401.

295 <u>(15)(14)</u> "Exchange company" means any person owning or 296 operating, or owning and operating, an exchange program.

297 (16) (15) "Exchange program" means any method, arrangement, 298 or procedure for the voluntary exchange of the right to use and 299 occupy accommodations and facilities among purchasers. The term does not include the assignment of the right to use and occupy 300 accommodations and facilities to purchasers pursuant to a 301 302 particular multisite timeshare plan's reservation system. Any 303 method, arrangement, or procedure that otherwise meets this 304 definition, wherein the purchaser's total contractual financial 305 obligation exceeds \$3,000 per any individual, recurring 306 timeshare period, shall be regulated as a multisite timeshare 307 plan in accordance with part II.

308 <u>(17)(16)</u> "Facility" means any amenity, including any 309 structure, furnishing, fixture, equipment, service, improvement, 310 or real or personal property, improved or unimproved, other than 311 <u>an the accommodation of the timeshare plan, which is made</u> 312 available to the purchasers of a timeshare plan. The term does 313 not include an incidental benefit as defined in this section.

314 <u>(18) "Filed public offering statement" means a public</u> 315 <u>offering statement that has been filed with the division</u> 316 <u>pursuant to s. 721.07(5) or s. 721.55.</u>

317 <u>(19)(17)</u> "Incidental benefit" means an accommodation, 318 product, service, discount, or other benefit which is offered to 319 a prospective purchaser of a timeshare plan or to a purchaser of

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a timeshare plan prior to the expiration of his or her initial 10-day voidability period pursuant to s. 721.10; which is not an exchange program as defined in subsection (16) (15); and which complies with the provisions of s. 721.075. The term shall not include an offer of the use of the accommodations and facilities of the timeshare plan on a free or discounted one-time basis.

326 (20)(18) "Independent," for purposes of determining 327 eligibility of escrow agents and trustees pursuant to s. 328 721.03(7), means that:

(a) The escrow agent or trustee is not a relative, as
described in s. 112.3135(1)(d), or an employee of the developer,
seller, or managing entity, or of any officer, director,
affiliate, or subsidiary thereof.

(b) There is no financial relationship, other than the payment of fiduciary fees or as otherwise provided in this subsection, between the escrow agent or trustee and the developer, seller, or managing entity, or any officer, director, affiliate, or subsidiary thereof.

(c) Compensation paid by the developer to an escrow agent or trustee for services rendered shall not be paid from funds in the escrow or trust account unless and until the developer is otherwise entitled to receive the disbursement of such funds from the escrow or trust account pursuant to this chapter.

343 (d) A person shall not be disqualified to serve as an344 escrow agent or a trustee solely because of the following:

345 1. A nonemployee, attorney-client relationship exists346 between the developer and the escrow agent or trustee;

347 2. The escrow agent or trustee provides brokerage services
348 as defined by chapter 475 for the developer;

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349 3. The escrow agent or trustee provides the developer with
350 routine banking services which do not include construction or
351 receivables financing or any other lending activities; or

4. The escrow agent or trustee performs closings for the
developer or seller or issues owner's or lender's title
insurance commitments or policies in connection with such
closings.

356 <u>(21)(19)</u> "Interestholder" means a developer, an owner of 357 the underlying fee <u>or owner of the underlying personal property</u>, 358 a mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor, or any other 359 person having an interest in or lien or encumbrance against the 360 accommodations or facilities of the timeshare plan.

361 (22)(20) "Managing entity" means the person who operates
 362 or maintains the timeshare plan pursuant to s. 721.13(1).

(23)(21) "Memorandum of agreement" means a written 363 364 document, in a recordable form sufficient to permit the document 365 to be recorded or otherwise filed in the appropriate public records and to provide constructive notice of its contents under 366 367 applicable law, which includes the names of the seller and the 368 purchasers, a legal description of the timeshare property or 369 other sufficient description for a personal property timeshare 370 plan, and all timeshare interests to be included in such 371 document, and a description of the type of timeshare interest 372 license sold by the seller.

373 <u>(24)(22)</u> "Offer to sell," "offer for sale," "offered for 374 sale," or "offer" means the solicitation, advertisement, or 375 inducement, or any other method or attempt, to encourage any 376 person to acquire the opportunity to participate in a timeshare 377 plan.

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378 (25) (23) "One-to-one purchaser to accommodation ratio" 379 means the ratio of the number of purchasers eligible to use the accommodations of a timeshare plan on a given day to the number 380 381 of accommodations available for use within the plan on that day, such that the total number of purchasers eligible to use the 382 accommodations of the timeshare plan during a given calendar 383 year never exceeds the total number of accommodations available 384 385 for use in the timeshare plan during that year. For purposes of calculation under this subsection, each purchaser must be 386 387 counted at least once, and no individual timeshare unit may be 388 counted more than 365 times per calendar year (or more than 366 389 times per leap year). A purchaser who is delinquent in the 390 payment of timeshare plan assessments shall continue to be 391 considered eligible to use the accommodations of the timeshare 392 plan for purposes of this subsection notwithstanding any 393 application of s. 721.13(6).

394 <u>(26)(24)</u> "Owner of the underlying fee" or "owner of the 395 <u>underlying personal property</u>" means any person having an 396 interest in the real property <u>or personal property comprising or</u> 397 underlying the accommodations or facilities of <u>a</u> the timeshare 398 plan at or subsequent to the time of creation of the timeshare 399 plan.

400 <u>(27)(25)</u> "Owners' association" means <u>an</u> the association 401 made up of all <u>owners of timeshare interests in a timeshare</u> 402 <u>plan, including developers and</u> purchasers of <u>such</u> a timeshare 403 plan who have purchased timeshare estates.

404 (28) "Personal property timeshare interest" means a right 405 to occupy an accommodation located on or in or comprised of 406 personal property that is not permanently affixed to real

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436 agreement that all or a portion of the consideration paid by the 437 prospective purchaser for the right to use will be applied to or 438 credited against the price of a future purchase of a timeshare 439 interest, or that the cost of a future purchase of a timeshare 440 interest will be fixed or locked in at a specified price.

441 (33)(31) "Seller" means any developer or any other person, 442 or any agent or employee thereof, who offers timeshare interests 443 in the ordinary course of business. The term "seller" does not 444 include:

(a) An owner of a timeshare interest who has acquired the timeshare interest for his or her own use and occupancy and who later offers it for resale; provided that a rebuttable presumption shall exist that an owner who has acquired more than seven timeshare interests did not acquire them for his or her own use and occupancy;

(b) A managing entity, not otherwise a seller, that offers, or engages a third party to offer on its behalf, timeshare interests in a timeshare plan which it manages, provided that such offer complies with the provisions of s. 721.065;

(c) A person who owns or is conveyed, assigned, or transferred more than seven timeshare interests and who subsequently conveys, assigns, or transfers all acquired timeshare interests to a single purchaser in a single transaction, which transaction may occur in stages; or

(d) A person who has acquired or has the right to acquire
more than seven timeshare interests from a developer or other
interestholder in connection with a loan, securitization,
conduit, or similar financing arrangement and who subsequently

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465 arranges for all or a portion of the timeshare interests to be
466 offered by one or more developers in the ordinary course of
467 business on their own behalves or on behalf of such person.

(34)(32) "Timeshare estate" means a right to occupy a 468 469 timeshare unit, coupled with a freehold estate or an estate for 470 years with a future interest in a timeshare property or a 471 specified portion thereof. The term shall also mean an interest 472 in a condominium unit pursuant to s. 718.103, an interest in a 473 cooperative unit pursuant to s. 719.103, or an interest in a trust that complies in all respects with the provisions of s. 474 721.08(2)(c)4.3., provided that the trust does not contain any 475 476 personal property timeshare interests. A timeshare estate is a 477 parcel of real property under the laws of this state.

478 (35)(33) "Timeshare instrument" means one or more
479 documents, by whatever name denominated, creating or governing
480 the operation of a timeshare plan.

481 (36)(34) "Timeshare interest" means a timeshare estate, a
 482 personal property timeshare interest, or a timeshare license.

483 <u>(37)(35)</u> "Timeshare license" means a right to occupy a 484 timeshare unit, which right is <u>not a personal property timeshare</u> 485 neither coupled with a freehold interest <u>or a timeshare</u>, nor 486 coupled with an estate for years with a future interest, in a 487 timeshare property.

488 (38)(36) "Timeshare period" means the period or periods of 489 time when a purchaser of a timeshare interest is afforded the 490 opportunity to use the accommodations or facilities, or both, of 491 a timeshare plan.

492 (39)(37) "Timeshare plan" means any arrangement, plan,
493 scheme, or similar device, other than an exchange program,

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HB 0277 2004 494 whether by membership, agreement, tenancy in common, sale, 495 lease, deed, rental agreement, license, or right-to-use 496 agreement or by any other means, whereby a purchaser, for 497 consideration, receives ownership rights in or a right to use accommodations, and facilities, if any, for a period of time 498 499 less than a full year during any given year, but not necessarily 500 for consecutive years. The term "timeshare plan" includes: 501 (a) A "personal property timeshare plan," which means a 502 timeshare plan in which the accommodations are comprised of personal property that is not permanently affixed to real 503 504 property; and 505 (b) A "real property timeshare plan," which means a 506 timeshare plan in which the accommodations of the timeshare plan 507 are comprised of or permanently affixed to real property. 508 (40)(38) "Timeshare property" means one or more timeshare 509 units subject to the same timeshare instrument, together with 510 any other property or rights to property appurtenant to those 511 timeshare units. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary 512 contained in chapter 718 or chapter 719, the timeshare 513 instrument for a timeshare condominium or cooperative may designate personal property, contractual rights, affiliation 514 agreements of component sites of vacation clubs, exchange 515 516 companies, or reservation systems, or any other agreements or personal property, as common elements or limited common elements 517 518 of the timeshare condominium or cooperative. "Timeshare unit" means an accommodation of a 519 (41)(39) 520 timeshare plan which is divided into timeshare periods. Any timeshare unit in which a door or doors connecting two or more 521

522 separate rooms are capable of being locked to create two or more

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HB 0277 2004 private dwellings shall only constitute one timeshare unit for 523 524 purposes of this chapter, unless the timeshare instrument 525 provides that timeshare interests may be separately conveyed in 526 such locked-off portions. 527 (40) "Vacation ownership plan" means any timeshare plan 528 consisting exclusively of timeshare estates. 529 (41) "Vacation plan" or "vacation membership plan" means any timeshare plan consisting exclusively of timeshare licenses 530 or consisting of a combination of timeshare licenses and 531 532 timeshare estates. 533 Section 4. Section 721.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to 534 read: 535 721.06 Contracts for purchase of timeshare interests.--536 (1)Each seller shall utilize and furnish each purchaser a 537 fully completed and executed copy of a contract pertaining to 538 the sale, which contract shall include the following 539 information: 540 The actual date the contract is executed by each (a) 541 party. 542 (b) The names and addresses of the developer and the 543 timeshare plan. 544 (C) The initial purchase price and any additional charges to which the purchaser may be subject in connection with the 545 546 purchase of the timeshare interest, such as financing, or which 547 will be collected from the purchaser on or before closing, such 548 as the current year's annual assessment for common expenses. 549 (d)1. For real property timeshare plans, an estimate of 550 any anticipated annual assessment stated on an Any annually 551 recurring basis for any use charges, fees, charge and the next Page 19 of 129

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HB 0277 2004 552 year's estimated annual assessment for common expenses, or and 553 for ad valorem taxes or, if an estimate for next year's 554 assessment is unavailable, the current year's actual annual assessment for any use charges, fees, common expenses, or and 555 556 for ad valorem taxes. 557 2. For personal property timeshare plans, an estimate of 558 any anticipated annual assessment stated on an annually 559 recurring basis for any use charges, fees, common expenses, or 560 taxes or, if an estimate is unavailable, the current year's 561 actual annual assessment for any use charges, fees, common 562 expenses, or taxes. The estimated date of completion of construction of 563 (e) 564 each accommodation or facility promised to be completed which is 565 not completed at the time the contract is executed and the 566 estimated date of closing. 567 A brief description of the nature and duration of the (f) 568 timeshare interest being sold, including whether any interest in real property or personal property is being conveyed and the 569 570 specific number of years constituting the term of the timeshare 571 plan. 572 Immediately prior to the space reserved in the (q) 573 contract for the signature of the purchaser, in conspicuous 574 type, substantially the following statements: 575 1. If the purchaser will receive a personal property 576 timeshare interest: This personal property timeshare plan is 577 governed only by limited sections of the timeshare management 578 provisions of Florida law. 579 2. If the accommodations or facilities are located on or 580 in a documented vessel or foreign vessel as provided in s.

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HB 0277 2004 581 721.08(2)(c)3.e., the disclosure required by s. 582 721.08(2)(c)3.e.(IV). 583 3. You may cancel this contract without any penalty or 584 obligation within 10 calendar days after the date you sign this 585 contract or the date on which you receive the last of all 586 documents required to be given to you pursuant to section 587 721.07(6), Florida Statutes, whichever is later. If you decide 588 to cancel this contract, you must notify the seller in writing 589 of your intent to cancel. Your notice of cancellation shall be 590 effective upon the date sent and shall be sent to ... (Name of Seller) ... at ... (Address of Seller) Any attempt to 591 592 obtain a waiver of your cancellation right is void and of no 593 effect. While you may execute all closing documents in advance, 594 the closing, as evidenced by delivery of the deed or other 595 document, before expiration of your 10-day cancellation period, 596 is prohibited. 597 598 If a timeshare estate is being conveyed, the following (h) 599 statement in conspicuous type: 600 601 For the purpose of ad valorem assessment, taxation and

601 For the purpose of ad valorem assessment, taxation and 602 special assessments, the managing entity will be considered the 603 taxpayer as your agent pursuant to section 192.037, Florida 604 Statutes.

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606 (i) A statement that, in the event the purchaser cancels
607 the contract during a 10-day cancellation period, the developer
608 will refund to the purchaser the total amount of all payments
609 made by the purchaser under the contract, reduced by the

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2004 610 proportion of any contract benefits the purchaser has actually 611 received under the contract prior to the effective date of the cancellation. The statement shall further provide that the 612 refund will be made within 20 days after receipt of notice of 613 614 cancellation or within 5 days after receipt of funds from the 615 purchaser's cleared check, whichever is later. A seller and a 616 purchaser shall agree in writing on a specific value for each 617 contract benefit received by the purchaser for purposes of this paragraph. The term "contract benefit" shall not include 618 619 purchaser public offering statements or other documentation or 620 materials that must be furnished to a purchaser pursuant to 621 statute or rule.

(j) If the timeshare interest is being sold pursuant to an 622 623 agreement for deed or an agreement for transfer, a statement that the signing of the agreement for deed or agreement for 624 625 transfer does not entitle the purchaser to receive the 626 conveyance or transfer of his or her timeshare estate or 627 personal property timeshare interest a deed until all payments 628 under the agreement have been made.

Unless the developer is, at the time of offering the 629 (k) plan, the owner in fee simple absolute of the accommodations and 630 631 facilities of the timeshare plan, free and clear of all liens, and encumbrances, and claims of other interestholders, a 632 statement that the developer is not the sole owner of the 633 underlying fee or owner of the underlying personal property or 634 635 that the such accommodations or facilities are subject to 636 without liens or encumbrances, which statement shall include: 637 The names and addresses of all other interestholders 1. 638 persons or entities having an ownership interest or other

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HB 0277 2004 639 interest in the accommodations or facilities; and 640 The actual interest of the developer in the 2. accommodations or facilities. As an alternative to including the 641 statement in the purchase contract, a seller may include a 642 643 reference in the purchase contract to the location in the 644 purchaser public offering statement text of such information. 645 If the purchaser will receive an interest in a (1) 646 multisite timeshare plan pursuant to part II, a statement shall 647 be provided in conspicuous type in substantially the following 648 form: 649 650 The developer is required to provide the managing entity of 651 the multisite timeshare plan with a copy of the approved public 652 offering statement text and exhibits filed with the division and any approved amendments thereto, and any other component site 653 654 documents as described in section 721.07 or section 721.55, 655 Florida Statutes, that are not required to be filed with the 656 division, to be maintained by the managing entity for inspection 657 as part of the books and records of the plan. 658 659 The following statement in conspicuous type: (m) 660 661 Any resale of this timeshare interest must be accompanied 662 by certain disclosures in accordance with section 721.065, 663 Florida Statutes. 664 665 A description of any rights reserved by the developer (n) 666 to alter or modify the offering prior to closing. (2)(a) An agreement for deed shall be recorded by the 667 Page 23 of 129

HB 0277 2004 668 developer within 30 days after the day it is executed by the 669 purchaser. The developer shall pay all recording costs associated therewith. A form copy of such instrument must be 670 filed with the division for review pursuant to s. 721.07. 671 672 (b) An agreement for transfer shall be filed with the 673 appropriate official responsible for maintaining such records in 674 the appropriate jurisdiction within 30 days after the day it is 675 executed by the purchaser. The developer shall pay all filing costs associated therewith. A form copy of such instrument must 676 677 be filed with the division for review pursuant to s. 721.07. 678 (3) The escrow agent shall provide the developer with a 679 receipt for all purchaser funds or other property received by 680 the escrow agent from a seller. 681 Section 5. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 682 721.065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 683 721.065 Resale purchase agreements.--684 Any resale purchase agreement utilized by a person (2) 685 described in subsection (1) must contain all of the following: 686 One of the following statements in conspicuous type (b) 687 located immediately prior to the disclosure required by 688 paragraph (c): 689 1. If the resale purchase agreement pertains to a real 690 property timeshare plan: 691 692 The current year's assessment for common expenses allocable to the timeshare interest you are purchasing is \$. This 693 694 assessment, which may be increased from time to time by the 695 managing entity of the timeshare plan, is payable in full each 696 year on or before . This assessment (includes/does not Page 24 of 129

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2004 697 include) yearly ad valorem real estate taxes, which (are/are 698 not) billed and collected separately. (If ad valorem real 699 property taxes are not included in the current year's assessment 700 for common expenses, the following statement must be included: The most recent annual assessment for ad valorem real estate 702 taxes for the timeshare interest you are purchasing is \$_____.) 703 (If there are any delinquent assessments for common expenses or 704 ad valorem taxes outstanding with respect to the timeshare 705 interest in question, the following statement must be included: A delinquency in the amount of \$_____ for unpaid common expenses 706 707 or ad valorem taxes currently exists with respect to the 708 timeshare interest you are purchasing, together with a per diem 709 charge of \$_____ for interest and late charges.) For the purpose of ad valorem assessment, taxation, and special assessments, the 710 711 managing entity will be considered the taxpayer as your agent 712 pursuant to section 192.037, Florida Statutes. Each owner is 713 personally liable for the payment of her or his assessments for 714 common expenses, and failure to timely pay these assessments may 715 result in restriction or loss of your use and/or ownership 716 rights.

718 There are many important documents relating to the timeshare 719 plan which you should review prior to purchasing a timeshare 720 interest, including the declaration of condominium or covenants 721 and restrictions; the owners' association articles and bylaws; 722 the current year's operating and reserve budgets; and any rules 723 and regulations affecting the use of timeshare plan accommodations and facilities. 724

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726	2. If the resale purchase agreement pertains to a personal
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729	The current year's assessment for any common expenses, use
730	charges, fees, or taxes allocable to the timeshare interest you
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732	increased from time to time by the managing entity of the
733	timeshare plan, is payable in full each year on or before
734	(If there are any delinquent assessments for common
735	expenses, use charges, fees, or taxes outstanding with respect
736	to the timeshare interest in question, the following statement
737	must be included: A delinquency in the amount of $\$$ for
738	unpaid common expenses, use charges, fees, or taxes currently
739	exists with respect to the timeshare interest you are
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741	interest and late charges.) Each owner is personally liable for
742	the payment of her or his assessments for common expenses, and
743	failure to timely pay these assessments may result in
744	restriction or loss of your use and/or ownership rights.
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746	There are many important documents relating to the timeshare
747	plan which you should review prior to purchasing a timeshare
748	interest, including any owners' association articles and bylaws;
749	the current year's operating and reserve budgets; and any rules
750	and regulations affecting the use of timeshare plan
751	accommodations and facilities.
752	Section 6. Section 721.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to
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754	721.07 Public offering statementPrior to offering any
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timeshare plan, the developer must submit a <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement to the division for approval as prescribed by s. 721.03, s. 721.55, or this section. Until the division approves such filing, any contract regarding the sale of that timeshare plan is <u>subject to cancellation</u> voidable by the purchaser <u>pursuant to s. 721.10</u>.

(1) The division shall, upon receiving a <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement from a developer, mail to the developer an acknowledgment of receipt. The failure of the division to send such acknowledgment will not, however, relieve the developer from the duty of complying with this section.

766 (2)(a) Within 45 days after receipt of a filed registered 767 public offering statement which is subject only to this part and 768 is submitted in proper form as prescribed by rule, or within 120 769 days after receipt of a filed registered public offering 770 statement which is subject to part II and is submitted in proper 771 form as prescribed by rule, the division shall determine whether 772 the proposed filed registered public offering statement is 773 adequate to meet the requirements of this section and shall 774 notify the developer by mail that the division has either 775 approved the statement or found specified deficiencies in the 776 statement. If the division fails to approve the statement or specify deficiencies in the statement within the period 777 778 specified in this paragraph, the filing will be deemed approved.

(b) If the developer fails to respond to any cited deficiencies within 20 days after receipt of the division's deficiency notice, the division may reject the filing. Subsequent to such rejection, a new filing fee pursuant to subsection (4) and a new division initial review period pursuant

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786 Within 20 days after receipt of the developer's timely (C) 787 and complete response to any deficiency notice, the division 788 shall notify the developer by mail that the division has either 789 approved the filing, found additional specified deficiencies in 790 it, or determined that any previously specified deficiency has 791 not been corrected. If the division fails to approve or specify 792 additional deficiencies within 20 days after receipt of the 793 developer's timely and complete response, the filing will be 794 deemed approved.

(d) A developer shall have the authority to deliver to purchasers any purchaser public offering statement that is not yet approved by the division, provided that the following shall apply:

1. At the time the developer delivers an unapproved purchaser public offering statement to a purchaser pursuant to this paragraph, the developer shall deliver a fully completed and executed copy of the purchase contract required by s. 721.06 that contains the following statement in conspicuous type in substantially the following form which shall replace the statements required by s. 721.06(1)(g):

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The developer is delivering to you a public offering statement that has been filed with but not yet approved by the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes. Any revisions to the unapproved public offering statement you have received must be delivered to you, but only if the revisions materially alter or modify the offering in a manner adverse to

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HB 0277 2004 you. After the division approves the public offering statement, 813 814 you will receive notice of the approval from the developer and the required revisions, if any. 815 816 817 Your statutory right to cancel this transaction without any 818 penalty or obligation expires 10 calendar days after the date 819 you signed your purchase contract or the date on which you 820 receive the last of all documents required to be given to you 821 pursuant to section 721.07(6), Florida Statutes, or 10 calendar days after you receive revisions required to be delivered to 822 823 you, if any, whichever is later. If you decide to cancel this 824 contract, you must notify the seller in writing of your intent 825 to cancel. Your notice of cancellation shall be effective upon 826 the date sent and shall be sent to (Name of Seller) at (Address 827 of Seller). Any attempt to obtain a waiver of your cancellation 828 right is void and of no effect. While you may execute all closing documents in advance, the closing, as evidenced by 829 830 delivery of the deed or other document, before expiration of your 10-day cancellation period, is prohibited. 831

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2. After receipt of approval from the division and prior to closing, if any revisions made to the documents contained in the purchaser public offering statement materially alter or modify the offering in a manner adverse to a purchaser, the developer shall send the purchaser such revisions together with a notice containing a statement in conspicuous type in substantially the following form:

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The unapproved public offering statement previously delivered to

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HB 0277 2004 842 you, together with the enclosed revisions, has been approved by 843 the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile 844 Homes. Accordingly, your cancellation right expires 10 calendar 845 days after you sign your purchase contract or 10 calendar days 846 after you receive these revisions, whichever is later. If you 847 have any questions regarding your cancellation rights, you may contact the division at [insert division's current address]. 848

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3. After receipt of approval from the division and prior to closing, if no revisions have been made to the documents contained in the unapproved purchaser public offering statement, or if such revisions do not materially alter or modify the offering in a manner adverse to a purchaser, the developer shall send the purchaser a notice containing a statement in conspicuous type in substantially the following form:

858 The unapproved public offering statement previously delivered to 859 you has been approved by the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes. Revisions made to the unapproved 860 public offering statement, if any, are either not required to be 861 862 delivered to you or are not deemed by the developer, in its opinion, to materially alter or modify the offering in a manner 863 864 that is adverse to you. Accordingly, your cancellation right 865 expired 10 days after you signed your purchase contract. A complete copy of the approved public offering statement is 866 867 available through the managing entity for inspection as part of 868 the books and records of the plan. If you have any questions regarding your cancellation rights, you may contact the division 869 870 at [insert division's current address].

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871 (3)(a)1. Any change to an approved public offering 872 statement filing shall be filed with the division for approval as an amendment prior to becoming effective. The division shall 873 have 20 days after receipt of a proposed amendment to approve or 874 875 cite deficiencies in the proposed amendment. If the division 876 fails to act within 20 days, the amendment will be deemed 877 approved. If the proposed amendment adds a new component site to 878 an approved multisite timeshare plan, the division's initial period in which to approve or cite deficiencies is 45 days. If 879 the developer fails to adequately respond to any deficiency 880 notice within 30 days, the division may reject the amendment. 881 882 Subsequent to such rejection, a new filing fee pursuant to 883 subsection (4) and a new division initial review period pursuant 884 to this paragraph shall apply to any refiling or further review 885 of the rejected amendment.

886 2. For filings only subject to this part, each approved 887 amendment to the approved purchaser public offering statement, 888 other than an amendment made only for the purpose of the 889 addition of a phase or phases to the timeshare plan in the 890 manner described in the timeshare instrument or any amendment that does not materially alter or modify the offering in a 891 892 manner that is adverse to a purchaser, shall be delivered to a 893 purchaser no later than 10 days prior to closing. For filings made under part II, each approved amendment to the multisite 894 895 timeshare plan purchaser public offering statement, other than 896 an amendment made only for the purpose of the addition, 897 substitution, or deletion of a component site pursuant to part 898 II or the addition of a phase or phases to a component site of a 899 multisite timeshare plan in the manner described in the

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900 timeshare instrument or any amendment that does not materially 901 alter or modify the offering in a manner that is adverse to a 902 purchaser, shall be delivered to a purchaser no later than 10 903 days prior to closing.

3. Amendments made to a timeshare instrument for a component site located in this state are not required to be delivered to purchasers who do not receive a timeshare estate or <u>an interest in</u> a specific <u>multisite</u> timeshare <u>plan</u> license in that component site. Amendments made to a timeshare instrument for a component site not located in this state are not required to be delivered to purchasers.

911 (b) At the time that any amendments required to be 912 delivered to purchasers, as provided in paragraph (a), are 913 delivered to purchasers, the developer shall provide to those 914 purchasers who have not closed a written statement that the 915 purchaser or lessee will have a 10-day voidability period.

916 (4)(a) Upon the filing of a <u>filed</u> registered public 917 offering statement, the developer shall pay a filing fee of \$2 918 for each 7 days of annual use availability in each timeshare 919 unit that may be offered as a part of the proposed timeshare 920 plan pursuant to the filing.

921 (b) Upon the filing of an amendment to an approved <u>filed</u>
922 registered public offering statement, other than an amendment
923 adding a phase to the timeshare plan, the developer shall pay a
924 filing fee of \$100.

925 (5) Every <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement for a
926 timeshare plan which is not a multisite timeshare plan shall
927 contain the information required by this subsection. The
928 division is authorized to provide by rule the method by which a

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929 developer must provide such information to the division.

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1. The name of the timeshare plan; and

A cover page stating only:

The following statement, in conspicuous type: This 932 2. public offering statement contains important matters to be 933 considered in acquiring a timeshare interest. The statements 934 935 contained in this public offering statement are only summary in nature. A prospective purchaser should refer to all references, 936 937 accompanying exhibits, contract documents, and sales materials. 938 You should not rely upon oral representations as being correct. 939 Refer to this document and accompanying exhibits for correct 940 representations. The seller is prohibited from making any 941 representations other than those contained in the contract and 942 this public offering statement.

943 (b) A listing of all statements required to be in
944 conspicuous type in the public offering statement and in all
945 exhibits thereto.

946 (c) A separate index of the contents and exhibits of the947 public offering statement.

948 (d) A text which shall include, where applicable, the949 disclosures set forth in paragraphs (e)-(hh).

950 (e) A description of the timeshare plan, including, but 951 not limited to:

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1. Its name and location.

953 2. An explanation of the form of timeshare ownership that 954 is being offered, including a statement as to whether any 955 interest in the underlying real property will be conveyed to the 956 purchaser. If the plan is being created or being sold on a 957 leasehold, a description of the material terms of the lease

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958	shall be included. If the plan is a plan in which timeshare
959	estates <u>or personal property timeshare interests</u> are sold as
960	interests in a trust pursuant to the requirements of this
961	chapter, a full and accurate description of the trust
962	arrangement and the trustee's duties shall be included. <u>If the</u>
963	plan is a personal property timeshare plan, a description of the
964	material terms of the arrangement for the ownership or use of
965	the personal property shall be included.
966	3. An explanation of the manner in which the apportionment
967	of common expenses and ownership of the common elements has been
968	determined.
969	4. If ownership or use of the timeshare plan is based on a
970	point system, a statement indicating the circumstances by which
971	the point values may change, the extent of such changes, and the
972	person or entity responsible for the changes.
973	5. If any of the accommodations or facilities are part of
974	a personal property timeshare plan in which the accommodations
975	or facilities are located on or in a documented vessel or
976	foreign vessel as provided in s. 721.08(2)(c)3.e., the
977	disclosure required by s. 721.08(2)(c)3.e.(IV).
978	(f) A description of the accommodations, including, but
979	not limited to:
980	1. The number of timeshare units in each building, the
981	total number of timeshare periods declared as part of the
982	timeshare plan and filed with the division, and the number of
983	bathrooms and bedrooms in each type of timeshare unit.
984	2. The latest date estimated for completion of
985	constructing, finishing, and equipping the timeshare units

986 declared as part of the timeshare plan and filed with the

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HB 0277 2004 1016 associated with them, other than participation in a vacation 1017 club, one of the following statements in conspicuous type: There 1018 is a lease associated with one or more facilities of the 1019 timeshare plan; or, There is a club membership associated with 1020 one or more facilities of the timeshare plan.

1021 2. If it is mandatory that purchasers pay fees, rent, 1022 dues, or other charges under a facilities lease or club 1023 membership for the use of the facilities, other than 1024 participation in a vacation club, the applicable statement in 1025 conspicuous type in substantially the following form:

1026 a. Membership in a facilities club is mandatory for
 1027 purchasers;

b. Purchasers or the <u>owners'</u> association(s) are required, as a condition of ownership, to be lessees under the facilities lease;

1031 c. Purchasers or the <u>owners'</u> association(s) are required 1032 to pay their share of the rent or costs and expenses of 1033 maintenance, management, upkeep, and replacement under the 1034 facilities lease (or the other instruments providing the 1035 facilities); or

d. A similar statement of the nature of the organization
or the manner in which the use rights are created, and that
purchasers are required to pay.

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1040 Immediately following the applicable statement, a description of 1041 the lease or other instrument shall be stated, including a 1042 description of terms of the payment of rent or costs and 1043 expenses of maintenance, management, upkeep, and replacement of 1044 the facilities.

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3. If the purchasers are required to pay a use fee, or other payment for the use of the facilities, not including the rent or maintenance, management, upkeep, or replacement costs and expenses, the following statement in conspicuous type: *The purchasers or the <u>owners'</u> association(s) must pay use fees for one or more facilities*. Immediately following this statement, a description of the use fees shall be included.

1052 4. If any person other than the <u>owners'</u> association has
1053 the right to a lien on the timeshare interests to secure the
1054 payment of assessments, rent, or other exactions, a statement in
1055 conspicuous type in substantially the following form:

a. There is a lien or lien right against each timeshare
interest to secure the payment of rent and other exactions under
the facilities lease. A purchaser's failure to make these
payments may result in foreclosure of the lien; or

b. There is a lien or lien right against each timeshare interest to secure the payment of assessments or other exactions coming due for the use, maintenance, upkeep, or repair of one or more facilities. A purchaser's failure to make these payments may result in foreclosure of the lien.

1066 Immediately following the applicable statement, a description of 1067 the lien right shall be included.

(i) If the developer or any other person has the right to increase or add to the facilities at any time after the establishment of the timeshare plan, without the consent of the purchasers or <u>owners'</u> association being required, a statement in conspicuous type in substantially the following form: *Facilities* may be expanded or added without consent of the purchasers or

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HB 0277 2004 1074 the owners' association(s). Immediately following this 1075 statement, a description of such reserved rights shall be 1076 included. 1077 (j)1. For a real property timeshare plan, an explanation 1078 of the status of the title to the real property underlying the 1079 timeshare plan, including a statement of the existence of any 1080 lien, defect, judgment, mortgage, or other encumbrance affecting 1081 the title to the property, and how such lien, defect, judgment, 1082 mortgage, or other encumbrance will be removed or satisfied 1083 prior to closing. 1084 2. For a personal property timeshare plan, an explanation

1085of the status of title to the personal property underlying the1086timeshare plan, including a statement of the existence of any1087lien, defect, judgment, or other encumbrance affecting the title1088to the personal property, and how such lien, defect, judgment,1089or other encumbrance will be removed or satisfied prior to1090closing.

A description of any judgment against the developer, 1091 (k) the managing entity, the owner of the underlying fee, or the 1092 1093 owner of the underlying personal property fee, which judgment is 1094 material to the timeshare plan; the status of any pending suit 1095 to which the developer, the managing entity, the owner of the 1096 underlying fee, or the owner of the underlying personal property 1097 fee is a party, which suit is material to the timeshare plan; 1098 and any other suit which is material to the timeshare plan of which the developer, managing entity, the owner of the 1099 1100 underlying fee, or the owner of the underlying personal property fee has actual knowledge. If no judgments or pending suits 1101 1102 exist, there shall be a statement of such fact.

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(1) A description of all unusual and material circumstances, features, and characteristics of the real property <u>or personal property underlying or comprising the</u> <u>timeshare plan</u>.

(m) A description of any financing to be offered to purchasers by the developer or any person or entity in which the developer has a financial interest, together with a disclosure that the description of such financing may be changed by the developer and that any change in the financing offered to prospective purchasers will not be deemed to be a material change.

(n) A detailed explanation of any financial arrangements
which have been provided for completion of all promised
improvements.

1117 (O) The name and address of the managing entity; a statement whether the seller may change the managing entity or 1118 1119 its control and, if so, the manner by which the seller may 1120 change the managing entity; a statement of the arrangements for management, maintenance, and operation of the accommodations and 1121 1122 facilities and of other property that will serve the purchasers; 1123 and a description of the management arrangement and any 1124 contracts for these purposes having a term in excess of 1 year, including the names of the contracting parties, the term of the 1125 contract, the nature of the services included, and the 1126 compensation, stated for a month and for a year, and provisions 1127 for increases in the compensation. In the case of a personal 1128 1129 property timeshare plan in which the accommodations or facilities are located on or in a documented vessel or foreign 1130 1131 vessel as provided in s. 721.08(2)(c)3.e., a statement shall be

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1132 <u>included that describes the trustee's or owners' association's</u> 1133 <u>access to the certificates of classification and that the</u> 1134 <u>certificate of classification will be made available to</u> 1135 purchasers on request.

1136 If any person other than the purchasers has the right (p) to retain control of the board of administration of the owners' 1137 1138 association, if any, for a period of time which may exceed 1 1139 year after the closing of the sale of a majority of the 1140 timeshare interests in that timeshare plan to persons other than successors or concurrent developers and the plan is one in which 1141 1142 all purchasers automatically become members of the owners' 1143 association, a statement in conspicuous type in substantially 1144 the following form: The developer (or other person) has the 1145 right to retain control of the owners' association after a majority of the timeshare interests have been sold. Immediately 1146 1147 following this statement, a description of the applicable transfer of control provisions of the timeshare plan shall be 1148 1149 included.

1150 If there are any restrictions upon the sale, (q)1. 1151 transfer, conveyance, or leasing of a timeshare interest, a 1152 statement in conspicuous type in substantially the following 1153 form: The sale, lease, or transfer of timeshare interests is 1154 restricted or controlled. Immediately following this statement, 1155 a description of the nature of the restriction, limitation, or 1156 control on the sale, lease, or transfer of timeshare interests shall be included. 1157

1158 2. The following statement in conspicuous type in 1159 substantially the following form: The purchase of a timeshare 1160 interest should be based upon its value as a vacation experience

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HB 0277 2004 1161 or for spending leisure time, and not considered for purposes of 1162 acquiring an appreciating investment or with an expectation that 1163 the timeshare interest may be resold.

1164 (r) If the timeshare plan is part of a phase project, a statement to that effect and a complete description of the 1165 1166 phasing. Notwithstanding any provisions of s. 718.110 or s. 1167 719.1055, a developer may develop a timeshare condominium or a 1168 timeshare cooperative in phases if the original declaration of 1169 condominium or cooperative documents submitting the initial 1170 phase to condominium ownership or cooperative ownership or an amendment to the declaration of condominium or cooperative 1171 1172 documents which has been approved by all of the unit owners and 1173 unit mortgagees provides for phasing. Notwithstanding any 1174 provisions of s. 718.403 or s. 719.403 to the contrary, the 1175 original declaration of condominium or cooperative documents, or 1176 an amendment to the declaration of condominium or cooperative 1177 documents adopted pursuant to this subsection, need only 1178 generally describe the developer's phasing plan and the land 1179 which may become part of the condominium or cooperative, and, in 1180 conjunction therewith, the developer may also reserve all rights to vary his or her phasing plan as to phase boundaries, plot 1181 1182 plans and floor plans, timeshare unit types, timeshare unit sizes and timeshare unit type mixes, numbers of timeshare units, 1183 and facilities with respect to each subsequent phase. There 1184 shall be no time limit during which a developer of a timeshare 1185 condominium or timeshare cooperative must complete his or her 1186 phasing plan, and the developer shall not be required to notify 1187 owners of existing timeshare estates of his or her decision not 1188 1189 to add one or more proposed phases.

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HB 0277 2004 1190 A description of the material restrictions, if any, to (s) 1191 be imposed on timeshare interests concerning the use of any of the accommodations or facilities, including statements as to 1192 whether there are restrictions upon children and pets or a 1193 1194 reference to a copy of the documents containing the restrictions which shall be attached as an exhibit. If there are no 1195 1196 restrictions, there shall be a statement of such fact.

(t) If there is any land <u>or personal property</u> that is offered by the developer for use by the purchasers and which is neither owned by them nor leased to them, the <u>owners'</u> association, or any entity controlled by the purchasers, a statement describing the land <u>or personal property</u>, how it will serve the timeshare plan, and the nature and term of service.

(u) An estimated operating budget for the timeshare plan
and a schedule of the purchaser's expenses shall be attached as
an exhibit and shall contain the following information:

The estimated annual expenses of the timeshare plan 1206 1. 1207 collectible from purchasers by assessments. The estimated 1208 payments by the purchaser for assessments shall also be stated 1209 in the estimated amounts for the times when they will be due. 1210 Expenses shall also be shown for the shortest timeshare period 1211 offered for sale by the developer. If the timeshare plan provides for the offer and sale of units to be used on a 1212 nontimeshare basis, the estimated monthly and annual expenses of 1213 1214 such units shall be set forth in a separate schedule.

1215 2. The estimated weekly, monthly, and annual expenses of 1216 the purchaser of each timeshare interest, other than assessments 1217 payable to the managing entity. Expenses which are personal to 1218 purchasers that are not uniformly incurred by all purchasers or

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HB 0277 2004 1219 that are not provided for or contemplated by the timeshare plan 1220 documents may be excluded from this estimate. 1221 The estimated items of expenses of the timeshare plan 3. 1222 and the managing entity, except as excluded under subparagraph 1223 2., including, but not limited to, if applicable, the following 1224 items, which shall be stated either as management expenses 1225 collectible by assessments or as expenses of the purchaser 1226 payable to persons other than the managing entity: 1227 Expenses for the managing entity: a. 1228 Administration of the managing entity. (I) 1229 (II)Management fees. 1230 (III) Maintenance. (IV) Rent for facilities. 1231 1232 Taxes upon timeshare property. (V) 1233 (VI) Taxes upon leased areas. 1234 (VII) Insurance. 1235 (VIII) Security provisions. 1236 (IX) Other expenses. 1237 (X) Operating capital. 1238 Reserves for deferred maintenance and reserves for (XI) 1239 capital expenditures, including: -1240 (A) Reserves for deferred maintenance or capital 1241 expenditures of accommodations and facilities of a real property 1242 timeshare plan, if any. All reserves for any accommodations and facilities of real property timeshare plans located in this 1243 state shall be calculated by a formula which is based upon 1244 1245 estimated life and replacement cost of each reserve item. 1246 Reserves for deferred maintenance for such accommodations and 1247 facilities shall include accounts for roof replacement, building Page 43 of 129

HB 0277 2004 1248 painting, pavement resurfacing, replacement of timeshare unit 1249 furnishings and equipment, and any other component, the useful life of which is less than the useful life of the overall 1250 structure. For any accommodations and facilities of real 1251 1252 property timeshare plans located outside of this state, the 1253 developer shall disclose the amount of reserves for deferred 1254 maintenance or capital expenditures required by the law of the 1255 situs state, if applicable, and maintained for such 1256 accommodations and facilities. (B) Reserves for deferred maintenance or capital 1257 1258 expenditures of accommodations and facilities of a personal 1259 property timeshare plan, if any. If such reserves are 1260 maintained, the estimated operating budget shall disclose the 1261 methodology of how the reserves are calculated. If a personal 1262 property timeshare plan does not require reserves, the following 1263 statement, in conspicuous type, shall appear in both the budget 1264 and the public offering statement: 1265 1266 The estimated operating budget for this personal property 1267 timeshare plan does not include reserves for deferred 1268 maintenance or capital expenditures; each timeshare interest may 1269 be subject to substantial special assessments from time to time 1270 because no such reserves exist. 1271 1272 Fees payable to the division. (XII) 1273 Expenses for a purchaser: b. 1274 Rent for the timeshare unit, if subject to a lease. (I) 1275 (II) Rent payable by the purchaser directly to the lessor 1276 or agent under any lease for the use of facilities, which use

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HB 0277 1277 and payment is a mandatory condition of ownership and is not 1278 included in the common expenses or assessments for common 1279 maintenance paid by the purchasers to the managing entity.

4. The estimated amounts shall be stated for a period of at least 12 months and may distinguish between the period prior to the time that purchasers elect a majority of the board of administration and the period after that date.

1284 5. If the developer intends to guarantee the level of
1285 assessments, such guarantee must be based upon a good faith
1286 estimate of the revenues and expenses of the timeshare plan. The
1287 guarantee must include a description of the following:

a. The specific time period measured in one or morecalendar or fiscal years during which the guarantee will be ineffect.

b. A statement that the developer will pay all common expenses incurred in excess of the total revenues of the timeshare plan pursuant to s. 721.15(2) if the developer has excused himself or herself from the payment of assessments during the guarantee period.

1296 c. The level, expressed in total dollars, at which the 1297 developer guarantees the budget. If the developer has reserved 1298 the right to extend or increase the guarantee level pursuant to 1299 s. 721.15(2), a disclosure must be included to that effect.

1300 6. If the developer intends to provide a trust fund to 1301 defer or reduce the payment of annual assessments, a copy of the 1302 trust instrument shall be attached as an exhibit and shall 1303 include a description of such arrangement, including, but not 1304 limited to:



a. The specific amount of such trust funds and the source

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1306 of the funds.

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b. The name and address of the trustee.

1308 c. The investment methods permitted by the trust1309 agreement.

d. A statement in conspicuous type that the funds from the
trust account may not cover all assessments and that there is no
guarantee that purchasers will not have to pay assessments in
the future.

1314 7. The budget of a phase timeshare plan may contain a note 1315 identifying the number of timeshare interests covered by the 1316 budget, indicating the number of timeshare interests, if any, 1317 estimated to be declared as part of the timeshare plan during 1318 that calendar year, and projecting the common expenses for the 1319 timeshare plan based upon the number of timeshare interests estimated to be declared as part of the timeshare plan during 1320 1321 that calendar year.

(v) A schedule of estimated closing expenses to be paid by
a purchaser or lessee of a timeshare interest and a statement as
to whether a title opinion or title insurance policy is
available to the purchaser and, if so, at whose expense.

(w) The identity of the developer and the chief operating officer or principal directing the creation and sale of the timeshare plan and a statement of the experience of each in this field or, if no experience, a statement of that fact.

1330 (x) A statement of the total financial obligation of the
1331 purchaser, including the purchase price and any additional
1332 charges to which the purchaser may be subject.

(y) The name of any person who will or may have the rightto alter, amend, or add to the charges to which the purchaser

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1361 with the timeshare instrument or component site document, preceded by disclaimer in conspicuous type in substantially the 1362 1363 following form:

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1365 Florida law has been amended and certain provisions in [insert 1366 appropriate reference to timeshare instrument or component site 1367 document] that were in conformance with Florida law as it 1368 existed at the time the timeshare plan was created are not in 1369 conformance with current Florida law. These documents may only 1370 be amended by [insert appropriate reference to person or entity that has the right to amend or change the timeshare instrument 1371 1372 or component site document]. The developer does not warrant that 1373 such documents are in technical compliance with all applicable 1374 Florida laws and regulations. All questions regarding amendment 1375 of these documents should be directed to [insert appropriate 1376 reference to person or entity that has the right to amend or 1377 change the timeshare instrument or component site document].

(ee) Any other information that a seller, with the approval of the division, desires to include in the public offering statement.

1382 (ff) Copies of the following documents and plans, to the 1383 extent they are applicable, shall be included as exhibits to the 1384 filed registered public offering statement provided, if the 1385 timeshare plan has not been declared or created at the time of the filing, the developer shall provide proposed documents: 1386 1387 The declaration of condominium. 1. The cooperative documents. 1388 2.

1389 3. The declaration of covenants and restrictions.

1390 4. The articles of incorporation creating the <u>owners'</u>1391 association.

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5. The bylaws of the <u>owners'</u> association.

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HB 0277 2004 1393 Any The ground lease or other underlying lease of the 6. 1394 real property associated with on which the timeshare plan is situated. In the case of a personal property timeshare plan, any 1395 1396 lease of the personal property associated with the personal property timeshare plan. 1397 The management agreement and all maintenance and other 1398 7. 1399 contracts regarding the management and operation of the 1400 timeshare property which have terms in excess of 1 year. 1401 8. The estimated operating budget for the timeshare plan 1402 and the required schedule of purchasers' expenses. 1403 9. The floor plan of each type of accommodation and the 1404 plot plan showing the location of all accommodations and 1405 facilities declared as part of the timeshare plan and filed with 1406 the division. 1407 10. The lease for any facilities. 1408 A declaration of servitude of properties serving the 11. 1409 accommodations and facilities, but not owned by purchasers or 1410 leased to them or the owners' association. Any documents required by s. 721.03(3)(e) as the 1411 12. 1412 result of the inclusion of a timeshare plan in the conversion of the building to condominium or cooperative ownership. 1413 1414 13. The form of agreement for sale or lease of timeshare interests. 1415 The executed agreement for escrow of payments made to 1416 14. the developer prior to closing and the form of any agreement for 1417 escrow of ad valorem tax escrow payments, if any, to be made 1418 1419 into an ad valorem tax escrow account pursuant to s. 192.037(6). The documents containing any restrictions on use of 1420 15. 1421 the property required by paragraph (s). Page 49 of 129

1422	HB 0277 16. A letter from the escrow agent or filing attorney
1423	confirming that the escrow agent and its officers, directors, or
1424	other partners are independent pursuant to the requirements of
1425	this chapter.
1426	17. Any nondisturbance and notice to creditors instrument
1427	required by s. 721.08.
1428	18. In the case of any personal property timeshare plan in
1429	which the accommodations and facilities are located on or in a
1430	documented vessel or foreign vessel as provided in s.
1431	721.08(2)(c)3.e., a copy of the certificate of ownership of such
1432	vessel and either a copy of the certificate of documentation or
1433	certificate of registry of such vessel.
1434	19. An executed affidavit given under oath by an attorney
1435	licensed to practice law in any jurisdiction in the United
1436	States stating that the attorney has researched the applicable
1437	laws of the jurisdiction in which governing law has been
1438	established and the laws of the jurisdiction in which the vessel
1439	is registered, and has found that the timeshare instrument
1440	complies with the provisions of s. 721.08(2)(c)3.e.(II)(C) and
1441	<u>(III).</u>
1442	20.16. Any other documents or instruments creating the
1443	timeshare plan.
1444	(gg) Such other information as is necessary to fairly,
1445	meaningfully, and effectively disclose all aspects of the
1446	timeshare plan, including, but not limited to, any disclosures

g, F made necessary by the operation of s. 721.03(8). However, if a 1447

1448 developer has, in good faith, attempted to comply with the requirements of this section, and if, in fact, he or she has 1449 substantially complied with the disclosure requirements of this 1450

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1451 chapter, nonmaterial errors or omissions shall not be 1452 actionable.

(hh) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, hh) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, the <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement for a component site of a multisite timeshare plan filed pursuant to this subsection may contain cross-references to information contained in the related multisite timeshare plan <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement filed pursuant to s. 721.55 in lieu of repeating such information.

(6) The division is authorized to prescribe by rule the form of the approved purchaser public offering statement that must be furnished by the developer to each purchaser. The form of the purchaser public offering statement must provide fair, meaningful, and effective disclosure of all aspects of the timeshare plan. For timeshare plans filed pursuant to this part, the developer shall furnish each purchaser with the following:

1467(a) A copy of the purchaser public offering statement text1468in the form approved by the division for delivery to purchasers.

(b) Copies of the exhibits required to be filed with the division pursuant to subparagraphs (5)(ff)1., 2., 4., 5., 8., and 20. 16.

1472 (C) A receipt for timeshare plan documents and a list 1473 describing any exhibit to the filed registered public offering 1474 statement filed with the division which is not delivered to the purchaser. The division is authorized to prescribe by rule the 1475 form of the receipt for timeshare plan documents and the 1476 1477 description of exhibits list that must be furnished to the purchaser. The description of documents list utilized by a 1478 1479 developer shall be filed with the division for review as part of

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HB 0277 2004 1480 the filed registered public offering statement pursuant to this 1481 section. The developer shall be required to provide the managing entity with a copy of the approved filed registered public 1482 1483 offering statement and any approved amendments thereto to be 1484 maintained by the managing entity as part of the books and 1485 records of the timeshare plan pursuant to s. 721.13(3)(d). 1486 Any other exhibit which the developer includes as part (d) 1487 of the purchaser public offering statement, provided that the developer first files the exhibit with the division. 1488 1489 An executed copy of any document which the purchaser (e) 1490 signs. 1491 (f) Each purchaser shall receive a fully executed paper 1492 copy of the purchase contract. 1493 Section 7. Paragraph (g) of subsection (1) of section 1494 721.075, Florida Statutes, is amended and paragraph (e) is added 1495 to subsection (2) of said section, to read: 1496 721.075 Incidental benefits.--Incidental benefits shall be 1497 offered only as provided in this section. 1498 (1) Accommodations, facilities, products, services, 1499 discounts, or other benefits which satisfy the requirements of 1500 this subsection shall be subject to the provisions of this 1501 section and exempt from the other provisions of this chapter which would otherwise apply to such accommodations or facilities 1502 if and only if: 1503 1504 The incidental benefit is filed with the division for (q) review in conjunction with the filing of a timeshare plan or in 1505 1506 connection with a previously filed timeshare plan. Each purchaser shall execute a separate acknowledgment 1507 (2) 1508 and disclosure statement with respect to all incidental

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1538 timeshare plan or timeshare interest prior to the occurrence of 1539 events required in this subsection shall be deposited pursuant 1540 to an escrow agreement approved by the division. The escrow 1541 agreement shall provide that the funds or other property may be 1542 released from escrow only as follows:

1543 Cancellation. -- In the event a purchaser gives a valid (a) 1544 notice of cancellation pursuant to s. 721.10 or is otherwise entitled to cancel the sale, the funds or other property 1545 1546 received from or on behalf of the purchaser, or the proceeds 1547 thereof, shall be returned to the purchaser. Such refund shall 1548 be made within 20 days after of demand therefor by the purchaser or within 5 days after receipt of funds from the purchaser's 1549 1550 cleared check, whichever is later. If the purchaser has received 1551 benefits under the contract prior to the effective date of the 1552 cancellation, the funds or other property to be returned to the 1553 purchaser may be reduced by the proportion of contract benefits 1554 actually received.

1555 Purchaser's default. -- Following expiration of the 10-(b) 1556 day cancellation period, if the purchaser defaults in the 1557 performance of her or his obligations under the terms of the 1558 contract to purchase or such other agreement by which a seller sells the timeshare interest, the developer shall provide an 1559 1560 affidavit to the escrow agent requesting release of the escrowed funds or other property and shall provide a copy of such 1561 1562 affidavit to the purchaser who has defaulted. The developer's affidavit, as required herein, shall include: 1563

1564 1. A statement that the purchaser has defaulted and that 1565 the developer has not defaulted;

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2. A brief explanation of the nature of the default and

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HB 0277 2004 1567 the date of its occurrence; 1568 A statement that pursuant to the terms of the contract 3. 1569 the developer is entitled to the funds held by the escrow agent; 1570 and 1571 4. A statement that the developer has not received from 1572 the purchaser any written notice of a dispute between the 1573 purchaser and developer or a claim by the purchaser to the 1574 escrow. 1575 (C) Compliance with conditions. --Timeshare licenses.--If the timeshare plan is one in 1576 1. 1577 which timeshare licenses are to be sold and no cancellation or 1578 default has occurred, the escrow agent may release the escrowed 1579 funds or other property to or on the order of the developer upon 1580 presentation of: 1581 An affidavit by the developer that all of the following a. 1582 conditions have been met: 1583 (I) Expiration of the cancellation period. 1584 (II) Completion of construction. 1585 (III) Closing. 1586 (IV) Either: 1587 Execution, delivery, and recordation by each (A) 1588 interestholder of the nondisturbance and notice to creditors 1589 instrument, as described in this section; or, alternatively, 1590 Transfer by the developer of legal title to the (B) 1591 subject accommodations and facilities, or all use rights 1592 therein, into to a trust satisfying the requirements of 1593 subparagraph 4. sub-subparagraph 3.b. and the execution, 1594 delivery, and recordation by each other interestholder of the 1595 nondisturbance and notice to creditors instrument, as described Page 55 of 129

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1596 in this section.

b. A certified copy of <u>each</u> the recorded nondisturbance
and notice to creditors instrument that complies with subsection
(3).

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c. One of the following:

1601 (I) A copy of a memorandum of agreement, as defined in s. 1602 721.05(21), together with satisfactory evidence that the 1603 original memorandum of agreement has been irretrievably 1604 delivered for recording to the appropriate official responsible for maintaining the public records in the county in which the 1605 1606 subject accommodations and facilities are located. The original 1607 memorandum of agreement must be recorded within 180 days after 1608 the date on which the purchaser executed her or his purchase 1609 agreement.

1610 (II) A notice delivered for recording to the appropriate 1611 official responsible for maintaining the public records in each 1612 county in which the subject accommodations and facilities are 1613 located notifying all persons of the identity of an independent 1614 escrow agent or trustee satisfying the requirements of 1615 subparagraph 4. sub-subparagraph 3.b. that shall maintain 1616 separate books and records, in accordance with good accounting 1617 practices, for the timeshare plan in which timeshare licenses are to be sold. The books and records shall indicate each 1618 accommodation and facility that is subject to such a timeshare 1619 plan and each purchaser of a timeshare license in the timeshare 1620 1621 plan.

1622 2. <u>Timeshare estates.--</u>If the timeshare plan is one in 1623 which timeshare estates are to be sold, other than interests in 1624 <u>a trust pursuant to subparagraph 3.</u>, and no cancellation or

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1654	and notice to creditors instrument that complies with subsection
1655	(3) <u>and s. 721.17</u> .
1656	3. Personal property timeshare interestsIf the
1657	timeshare plan is one in which <u>personal property</u> timeshare
1658	<u>interests</u> estates are to be sold as interests in a trust that
1659	complies in all respects with the provisions of sub-subparagraph
1660	$rac{b_{\star,\star}}{d_{\star,\star}}$ and no cancellation or default has occurred, the escrow
1661	agent may release the escrowed funds or <u>other</u> property <u>to or on</u>
1662	the order of the developer upon presentation of:
1663	a. An affidavit by the developer that all of the following
1664	conditions have been met:
1665	(I) Expiration of the cancellation period.
1666	(II) Completion of construction.
1667	(III) Transfer of the subject accommodations and
1668	facilities, or all use rights therein, to the trust.
1669	(IV) Closing.
1670	b. If the personal property timeshare interest is sold by
1671	agreement for transfer, evidence that the agreement for transfer
1672	complies fully with s. 721.06 and this section.
1673	c. Evidence that one of the following has occurred:
1674	(I) Transfer by the owner of the underlying personal
1675	property of legal title to the subject accommodations and
1676	facilities or all use rights therein into a trust satisfying the
1677	requirements of subparagraph 4.; or
1678	(II) Transfer by the owner of the underlying personal
1679	property of legal title to the subject accommodations and
1680	facilities or all use rights therein into an owners' association
1681	satisfying the requirements of subparagraph 5.
1682	d. Evidence of compliance with the provisions of

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1683	subparagraph 6., if required.
1684	e. If a personal property timeshare plan is created with
1685	respect to accommodations and facilities that are located on or
1686	in an oceangoing vessel, including a "documented vessel" or a
1687	"foreign vessel," as defined and governed by 46 U.S.C., chapter
1688	<u>301:</u>
1689	(I) In making the transfer required in sub-subparagraph
1690	c., the developer shall use as its transfer instrument a
1691	document that establishes and protects the continuance of the
1692	use rights in the subject accommodations and facilities in a
1693	manner that is enforceable by the trust or owners' association.
1694	(II) The transfer instrument shall comply fully with the
1695	provisions of this chapter, shall be part of the timeshare
1696	instrument, and shall contain specific provisions that:
1697	(A) Prohibit the vessel owner, the developer, any manager
1698	or operator of the vessel, the owners' association or the
1699	trustee, the managing entity, or any other person from incurring
1700	any liens against the vessel except for liens that are required
1701	for the operation and upkeep of the vessel, including liens for
1702	fuel expenditures, repairs, crews' wages, and salvage, and
1703	except as provided in sub-sub-subparagraphs 4.b.(III) and
1704	5.b.(III). All expenses, fees, and taxes properly incurred in
1705	connection with the creation, satisfaction, and discharge of any
1706	such permitted lien, or a prorated portion thereof if less than
1707	all of the accommodations on the vessel are subject to the
1708	timeshare plan, shall be common expenses of the timeshare plan.
1709	(B) Grant a lien against the vessel in favor of the
1710	owners' association or trustee to secure the full and faithful
1711	performance of the vessel owner and developer of all of their

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1712	obligations to the purchasers.
1713	(C) Establish governing law in a jurisdiction that
1714	recognizes and will enforce the timeshare instrument and the
1715	laws of the jurisdiction of registry of the vessel.
1716	(D) Require that a description of the use rights of
1717	purchasers be posted and displayed on the vessel in a manner
1718	that will give notice of such rights to any party examining the
1719	vessel. This notice must identify the owners' association or
1720	trustee and include a statement disclosing the limitation on
1721	incurring liens against the vessel described in sub-sub-sub-
1722	subparagraph (A).
1723	(E) Include the nondisturbance and notice to creditors
1724	instrument for the vessel owner and any other interestholders.
1725	(F) The owners' association created under subparagraph 5.
1726	or trustee created under subparagraph 4. shall have access to
1727	any certificates of classification in accordance with the
1728	timeshare instrument.
1729	(III) If the vessel is a foreign vessel, the vessel must
1730	be registered in a jurisdiction that permits a filing evidencing
1731	the use rights of purchasers in the subject accommodations and
1732	facilities, offers protection for such use rights against
1733	unfiled and inferior claims, and recognizes the document or
1734	instrument creating such use rights as a lien against the
1735	vessel.
1736	(IV) In addition to the disclosures required by s.
1737	721.07(5), the public offering statement and purchase contract
1738	must contain a disclosure in conspicuous type in substantially
1739	the following form:
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1741	The laws of the State of Florida govern the offering of this
1742	timeshare plan in this state. There are inherent risks in
1743	purchasing a timeshare interest in this timeshare plan because
1744	the accommodations and facilities of the timeshare plan are
1745	located on a vessel that will sail into international waters and
1746	into waters governed by many different jurisdictions. Therefore,
1747	the laws of the State of Florida cannot fully protect your
1748	purchase of an interest in this timeshare plan. Specifically,
1749	management and operational issues may need to be addressed in
1750	the jurisdiction in which the vessel is registered, which is
1751	(insert jurisdiction in which vessel is registered).
1752	Concerns of purchasers may be sent to(insert name
1753	of applicable regulatory agency and address).
1754	<u>4. Trust</u>
1755	a. If the subject accommodations or facilities, or all use
1756	rights therein, are to be transferred into a trust in order to
1757	comply with this paragraph, such transfer shall take place
1758	pursuant to this subparagraph.
1759	<u>b.</u> Prior to the transfer by each interestholder of the
1760	subject accommodations and facilities, or all use rights
1761	therein, to a trust, any lien or other encumbrance against such
1762	accommodations and facilities, or use rights therein, shall be
1763	made subject to a nondisturbance and notice to creditors
1764	instrument pursuant to subsection (3) as described in this
1765	section . No transfer pursuant to this <u>subparagraph</u> sub-
1766	subparagraph shall become effective until the trustee accepts
1767	such transfer and the responsibilities set forth herein. A trust
1768	established pursuant to this <u>subparagraph</u> sub-subparagraph shall
1769	comply with the following provisions:

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(I) The trustee shall be an individual or a business entity authorized and qualified to conduct trust business in this state. Any corporation authorized to do business in this state may act as trustee in connection with a timeshare plan pursuant to this chapter. The trustee must be independent from any developer or managing entity of the timeshare plan or any interestholder of any accommodation or facility of such plan.

1777 (II) The trust shall be irrevocable so long as any
1778 purchaser has a right to occupy any portion of the timeshare
1779 property pursuant to the timeshare plan.

1780 (III) The trustee shall not convey, hypothecate, mortgage, 1781 assign, lease, or otherwise transfer or encumber in any fashion 1782 any interest in or portion of the timeshare property with 1783 respect to which any purchaser has a right of use or occupancy 1784 unless the timeshare plan is terminated pursuant to the 1785 timeshare instrument, or such conveyance, hypothecation, 1786 mortgage, assignment, lease, transfer, or encumbrance is 1787 approved by a vote of two-thirds of all voting interests of the 1788 timeshare plan and such decision is declared by a court of 1789 competent jurisdiction to be in the best interests of the 1790 purchasers of the timeshare plan. The trustee shall notify the 1791 division in writing within 10 days after of receiving notice of 1792 the filing of any petition relating to obtaining such a court 1793 order. The division shall have standing to advise the court of 1794 the division's interpretation of the statute as it relates to 1795 the petition.

(IV) All purchasers of the timeshare plan or the owners'
association of the timeshare plan shall be the express
beneficiaries of the trust. The trustee shall act as a fiduciary

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to the beneficiaries of the trust. The personal liability of the 1799 1800 trustee shall be governed by s. 737.306. The agreement establishing the trust shall set forth the duties of the 1801 1802 trustee. The trustee shall be required to furnish promptly to 1803 the division upon request a copy of the complete list of the 1804 names and addresses of the owners in the timeshare plan and a 1805 copy of any other books and records of the timeshare plan 1806 required to be maintained pursuant to s. 721.13 that are in the 1807 possession, custody, or control of the trustee. All expenses 1808 reasonably incurred by the trustee in the performance of its 1809 duties, together with any reasonable compensation of the 1810 trustee, shall be common expenses of the timeshare plan.

(V) The trustee shall not resign upon less than 90 days' prior written notice to the managing entity and the division. No resignation shall become effective until a substitute trustee, approved by the division, is appointed by the managing entity and accepts the appointment.

1816 (VI) The documents establishing the trust arrangement1817 shall constitute a part of the timeshare instrument.

1818 (VII) For trusts holding property in a timeshare plan located outside this state, the trust and trustee holding such 1819 1820 property shall be deemed in compliance with the requirements of this subparagraph if such trust and trustee are is authorized 1821 and qualified to conduct trust business under the laws of such 1822 jurisdiction and the agreement or law governing such trust 1823 arrangement provides substantially similar protections for the 1824 1825 purchaser as are required in this subparagraph for trusts holding property in a timeshare plan in this state. 1826

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(VIII) The trustee shall have appointed a registered agent

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HB 0277 2004 1857 plan. 1858 (III) The owners' association shall not convey, 1859 hypothecate, mortgage, assign, lease, or otherwise transfer or 1860 encumber in any fashion any interest in or portion of the 1861 timeshare property with respect to which any purchaser has a 1862 right of use or occupancy, unless the timeshare plan is 1863 terminated pursuant to the timeshare instrument, or unless such 1864 conveyance, hypothecation, mortgage, assignment, lease, 1865 transfer, or encumbrance is approved by a vote of two-thirds of 1866 all voting interests of the association and such decision is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be in the best 1867 1868 interests of the purchasers of the timeshare plan. The owners' 1869 association shall notify the division in writing within 10 days 1870 after receiving notice of the filing of any petition relating to 1871 obtaining such a court order. The division shall have standing 1872 to advise the court of the division's interpretation of the 1873 statute as it relates to the petition. 1874 (IV) All purchasers of the timeshare plan shall be members of the owners' association and shall be entitled to vote on 1875 1876 matters requiring a vote of the owners' association as provided 1877 in this chapter or the timeshare instrument. The owners' 1878 association shall act as a fiduciary to the purchasers of the 1879 timeshare plan. The articles of incorporation establishing the 1880 owners' association shall set forth the duties of the owners' 1881 association. All expenses reasonably incurred by the owners' 1882 association in the performance of its duties, together with any

1884 <u>owners' association, shall be common expenses of the timeshare</u> 1885 plan.

reasonable compensation of the officers or directors of the

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1886	(V) The documents establishing the owners' association
1887	shall constitute a part of the timeshare instrument.
1888	(VI) For owners' associations holding property in a
1889	timeshare plan located outside this state, the owners'
1890	association holding such property shall be deemed in compliance
1891	with the requirements of this subparagraph if such owners'
1892	association is authorized and qualified to conduct owners'
1893	association business under the laws of such jurisdiction and the
1894	agreement or law governing such arrangement provides
1895	substantially similar protections for the purchaser as are
1896	required in this subparagraph for owners' associations holding
1897	property in a timeshare plan in this state.
1898	(VII) The owners' association shall have appointed a
1899	registered agent in this state for service of process. In the
1900	event such a registered agent cannot be located, service of
1901	process may be made pursuant to s. 721.265.
1902	6. Personal property subject to certificate of titleIf
1903	any personal property that is an accommodation or facility of a
1904	timeshare plan is subject to a certificate of title in this
1905	state pursuant to chapter 319 or chapter 328, the following
1906	notation must be made on such certificate of title pursuant to
1907	<u>s. 319.27(1) or s. 328.15(1):</u>
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1909	The further transfer or encumbrance of the property subject to
1910	this certificate of title, or any lien or encumbrance thereon,
1911	is subject to the requirements of section 721.17, Florida
1912	Statutes, and the transferee or lienor agrees to be bound by all
1913	of the obligations set forth therein.
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HB 0277 2004 1915 If the developer has previously provided a certified 7.4. 1916 copy of any document required by this paragraph, she or he may for all subsequent disbursements substitute a true and correct 1917 copy of the certified copy, provided no changes to the document 1918 have been made or are required to be made. 1919 1920 8. In the event that use rights relating to an 1921 accommodation or facility are transferred into a trust pursuant 1922 to subparagraph 4. or into an owners' association pursuant to 1923 subparagraph 5., all other interestholders, including the owner 1924 of the underlying fee or underlying personal property, must 1925 execute a nondisturbance and notice to creditors instrument pursuant to subsection (3). 1926 1927 (d) Substitution of other assurances for escrowed funds or 1928 other property. -- Funds or other property escrowed as provided in 1929 this section may be released from escrow to or on the order of 1930 the developer upon acceptance by the director of the division of 1931 other assurances pursuant to subsection (5) as a substitute for 1932 such escrowed funds or other property. The amount of escrowed 1933 funds or other property that may be released pursuant to this 1934 paragraph shall be equal to or less than the face amount of the 1935 assurances accepted by the director from time to time. 1936 (3) NONDISTURBANCE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS 1937 INSTRUMENT. -- The nondisturbance and notice to creditors 1938 instrument, when required, shall be executed by each 1939 interestholder. 1940 The instrument shall state that: (a) 1941 1.(a) If the party seeking enforcement is not in default 1942 of its obligations, the instrument may be enforced by both the 1943 seller and any purchaser of the timeshare plan;

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HB 0277 2004 1944 2.(b) The instrument shall be effective as between the 1945 timeshare purchaser and interestholder despite any rejection or cancellation of the contract between the timeshare purchaser and 1946 1947 developer as a result of bankruptcy proceedings of the 1948 developer; and 1949 3.(c) So long as a purchaser remains in good standing with 1950 respect to her or his obligations under the timeshare 1951 instrument, including making all payments to the managing entity 1952 required by the timeshare instrument with respect to the annual common expenses of the timeshare the interestholder has any 1953 1954 interest in the accommodations, facilities, or plan, then the 1955 interestholder will fully honor all the rights of such purchaser 1956 relating to the subject accommodation or facility as reflected 1957 timeshare purchasers in and to the timeshare instrument plan, 1958 will honor the purchasers' right to cancel their contracts and 1959 receive appropriate refunds, and will comply with all other 1960 requirements of this chapter and rules promulgated hereunder. 1961 1962 The instrument shall contain language sufficient to provide 1963 subsequent creditors of the developer and interestholders with 1964 notice of the existence of the timeshare plan and of the rights

1965of purchasers and shall serve to protect the interest of the1966timeshare purchasers from any claims of subsequent creditors.

1967 (b) Real property timeshare plans.--For real property 1968 timeshare plans, the instrument shall be recorded in the public 1969 records of the county in which the subject accommodations or 1970 facilities are located.

1971(c) Personal property timeshare plans.--For personal1972property timeshare plans, the instrument shall be included

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1973 within or attached as an exhibit to a security agreement or 1974 other agreement executed by the interestholder. Constructive 1975 notice of such security agreement or other agreement shall be 1976 filed in the manner prescribed by chapter 679 or other 1977 applicable law.

1978 <u>(d)</u> A copy of the recorded <u>or filed</u> nondisturbance and 1979 notice to creditors instrument, when required, shall be provided 1980 to each timeshare purchaser at the time the purchase contract is 1981 executed.

(4) In lieu of any escrow provisions required by this act,
the director of the division shall have the discretion to permit
deposit of the funds or other property in an escrow account as
required by the jurisdiction in which the sale took place.

(5)(a) In lieu of any escrows required by this section, the director of the division shall have the discretion to accept other assurances, including, but not limited to, a surety bond issued by a company authorized and licensed to do business in this state as surety or an irrevocable letter of credit in an amount equal to the escrow requirements of this section.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in chapter 718 or chapter 719
to the contrary, the director of the division shall have the
discretion to accept other assurances pursuant to paragraph (a)
in lieu of any requirement that completion of construction of
one or more accommodations or facilities of a timeshare plan be
accomplished prior to closing.

1998(c) In lieu of a nondisturbance and notice to creditors1999instrument, when such an instrument is otherwise required by2000this section, the director of the division shall have the2001discretion to accept alternate means of protecting the

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2002	continuing rights of purchasers in and to the subject
2003	accommodations or facilities of the timeshare plan as and for
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2005	effective constructive notice of such continuing purchaser
2006	rights to subsequent owners of the accommodations or facilities
2007	and to subsequent creditors of the affected interestholder.
2008	(d) In lieu of the requirements in s.
2009	721.08(2)(c)3.e.(III), the director of the division shall have
2010	the discretion to accept alternate means of protecting the use
2011	rights of purchasers in the subject accommodations and
2012	facilities of the timeshare plan against unfiled and inferior
2013	claims.
2014	(6) An escrow agent holding funds escrowed pursuant to
2015	this section may invest such escrowed funds in securities of the
2016	United States Government, or any agency thereof, or in savings
2017	or time deposits in institutions insured by an agency of the
2018	United States Government. The right to receive the interest
2019	generated by any such investments shall be paid to the party to
2020	whom the escrowed funds or <u>other</u> property are paid unless
2021	otherwise specified by contract.
2022	(7) Each escrow agent shall maintain separate books and
2023	records for each timeshare plan and shall maintain such books
2024	and records in accordance with good accounting practices.
2025	(8) An escrow agent holding escrowed funds pursuant to
2026	this chapter that have not been claimed for a period of 5 years
2027	after the date of deposit shall make at least one reasonable
2028	attempt to deliver such unclaimed funds to the purchaser who
2029	submitted such funds to escrow. In making such attempt, an
2030	escrow agent is entitled to rely on a purchaser's last known

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2031 address as set forth in the books and records of the escrow 2032 agent and is not required to conduct any further search for the 2033 purchaser. If an escrow agent's attempt to deliver unclaimed 2034 funds to any purchaser is unsuccessful, the escrow agent may 2035 deliver such unclaimed funds to the division and the division shall deposit such unclaimed funds in the Division of Florida 2036 2037 Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes Trust Fund, 30 days 2038 after giving notice in a publication of general circulation in 2039 the county in which the timeshare property containing the 2040 purchaser's timeshare interest is located. The purchaser may 2041 claim the same at any time prior to the delivery of such funds to the division. After delivery of such funds to the division, 2042 2043 the purchaser shall have no more rights to the unclaimed funds. 2044 The escrow agent shall not be liable for any claims from any party arising out of the escrow agent's delivery of the 2045 2046 unclaimed funds to the division pursuant to this section.

2047 For each transfer of the legal title to a timeshare (9) 2048 estate by a developer, the developer shall deliver an instrument 2049 evidencing such transfer to the purchaser or to a title 2050 insurance agent or the clerk of the court for recording. For 2051 each transfer of the legal title to a personal property 2052 timeshare interest by a developer, the developer shall deliver 2053 an instrument evidencing such transfer to the purchaser subject 2054 to the provisions of this section.

(10)(a) Any developer, seller, or escrow agent who intentionally fails to comply with the provisions of this section concerning the establishment of an escrow account, deposits of funds into escrow, and withdrawal therefrom is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided

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2060 in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, or the successor 2061 thereof. The failure to establish an escrow account or to place 2062 funds therein as required in this section is prima facie 2063 evidence of an intentional and purposeful violation of this 2064 section.

2065 (b) Any developer, interestholder, trustee, or officer or 2066 director of an owners' association who intentionally fails to 2067 comply with the provisions of this section concerning the 2068 establishment of a trust or owners' association, conveyances of 2069 property into the trust or owners' association, and conveyances 2070 or encumbrances of trust or owners' association property is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided 2071 2072 in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, or the successor 2073 thereof. The failure to establish a trust or owners' 2074 association, or to transfer property into the trust or owners' 2075 association, or the failure of a trustee or officer or director 2076 of an owners' association to comply with the trust agreement, 2077 articles of incorporation, or bylaws with respect to conveyances 2078 or encumbrances of trust or owners' association property, as 2079 required by this section, is prima facie evidence of an 2080 intentional and purposeful violation of this section.

2081 Section 9. Paragraphs (a) and (d) of subsection (1), 2082 paragraph (c) of subsection (2), and paragraph (c) of subsection 2083 (3) of section 721.09, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 2084 721.09 Reservation agreements; escrows.--

2085 (1)(a) Prior to filing the <u>filed</u> registered public 2086 offering statement with the division, a seller shall not offer a 2087 timeshare plan for sale but may accept reservation deposits and 2088 advertise the reservation deposit program upon approval by the

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2089 division of a fully executed escrow agreement and reservation 2090 agreement properly filed with the division.

(d) A seller who has filed a reservation agreement and an escrow agreement under this section may advertise the reservation agreement program if the advertising material meets the following requirements:

20951. The seller complies with the provisions of s. 721.112096with respect to such advertising material.

2097 2. The advertising material is limited to a general 2098 description of the proposed timeshare plan, including, but not 2099 limited to, a general description of the type, number, and size 2100 of accommodations and facilities and the name of the proposed 2101 timeshare plan.

3. The advertising material contains a statement that the advertising material is being distributed in connection with an approved reservation agreement filing only and that the seller cannot offer an interest in the timeshare plan for sale until a <u>filed registered</u> public offering statement has been filed with the division under this chapter.

2108 (2) Each executed reservation agreement shall be signed by2109 the developer and shall contain the following:

(c) A statement of the obligation of the developer to file
 a <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement with the division
 prior to entering into binding contracts.

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(c) The escrow agent may invest the escrowed funds in
securities of the United States Government, or any agency
thereof, or in savings or time deposits in institutions insured
by an agency of the United States Government. The interest

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2118 generated by any such investments shall be payable to the party 2119 entitled to receive the escrowed funds or <u>other</u> property.

2120 Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1), paragraphs 2121 (b) and (e) of subsection (6), and subsections (7), (8), and (9) 2122 of section 721.11, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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721.11 Advertising materials; oral statements.--

2124 (1)(a) A developer may file All advertising material must 2125 be filed with the division for review by the developer prior to 2126 use. At the request of the developer, The division shall review any the advertising material filed for review by the developer 2127 2128 and notify the developer of any deficiencies within 10 days 2129 after the filing. If the developer corrects the deficiencies or 2130 if there are no deficiencies, the division shall notify the 2131 developer of its approval of the advertising materials. 2132 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this 2133 subsection, so long as the developer uses advertising materials 2134 approved by the division, following the developer's request for 2135 a review, the developer shall not be liable for any violation of 2136 this section or s. 721.111 with respect to such advertising 2137 materials.

(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:

(b) A purchaser of a regulated short-term product has the
 right to cancel the agreement until midnight of the 10th calendar
 day following the execution date of the agreement. The right of

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HB 0277 2004 2147 cancellation may not be waived by the prospective purchaser or 2148 by any other person on behalf of the prospective purchaser. Notice of cancellation must be given in the same manner 2149 prescribed for giving notice of cancellation under s. 721.10(2). 2150 2151 If the prospective purchaser gives a valid notice of 2152 cancellation or is otherwise entitled to cancel the sale, the 2153 funds or other property received from or on behalf of the 2154 prospective purchaser, or the proceeds thereof, must be returned 2155 to the prospective purchaser. Such refund must be made in the 2156 same manner prescribed for refunds under s. 721.10.

2157 (e) If the seller provides the purchaser with the right to 2158 cancel the purchase of a regulated short-term product at any 2159 time up to 7 days prior to the purchaser's reserved use of the 2160 accommodations, but in no event less than 10 days, and if the 2161 seller refunds the total amount of all payments made by the 2162 purchaser reduced by the proportion of any benefits the 2163 purchaser has actually received prior to the effective date of 2164 the cancellation, the specific value of which has been agreed to 2165 between the purchaser and the seller, the short-term product 2166 offer shall be exempt from the requirements of paragraphs (b), (c), and (d). An agreement relating to the sale of the regulated 2167 2168 short-term product made pursuant to this paragraph must contain a statement setting forth the cancellation and refund rights of 2169 the prospective purchaser in a manner that is consistent with 2170 this section and s. 721.10, including a description of the 2171 length of the cancellation right, a statement that the 2172 2173 purchaser's intent to cancel must be in writing and sent to the seller at a specified address, a statement that the notice of 2174 2175 cancellation is effective upon the date sent, and a statement

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2176 that any attempt to waive the cancellation right is unlawful. 2177 The right of cancellation provided to the purchaser pursuant to 2178 this paragraph may not be waived by the prospective purchaser or 2179 by any other person on behalf of the prospective purchaser. 2180 Notice of cancellation must be given in the same manner 2181 prescribed for giving notice of cancellation pursuant to s. 2182 721.10(2). If the prospective purchaser gives a valid notice of 2183 cancellation, or is otherwise entitled to cancel the sale, the 2184 funds or other property received from or on behalf of the 2185 prospective purchaser, or the proceeds thereof, shall be 2186 returned to the prospective purchaser. Such refund shall be made 2187 in the manner prescribed for refunds under s. 721.10.

(7) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 721.05(7)(6)(b), a seller may portray possible accommodations or facilities to prospective purchasers in advertising material, or a purchaser public offering statement, without such accommodations or facilities being available for use by purchasers so long as the advertising material or purchaser public offering statement complies with the provisions of subsection (4).

2195 (8) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. $721.05(7)\frac{(6)}{(b)}$ 2196 a developer may portray possible accommodations or facilities to 2197 prospective purchasers by disseminating oral or written statements regarding same to broadcast or print media with no 2198 obligation on the developer's part to actually construct such 2199 accommodations or facilities or to file such accommodations or 2200 facilities with the division, but only so long as such oral or 2201 2202 written statements are not considered advertising material 2203 pursuant to paragraph (3)(e).

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(9) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 721.05(7)(6)(b),

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a seller of a multisite timeshare plan may portray a possible component site to prospective purchasers with no accommodations or facilities located at such component site being available for use by purchasers so long as the seller satisfies the following requirements:

2210 (a) A developer of a multisite timeshare plan may 2211 disseminate oral or written statements to broadcast or print 2212 media describing a possible component site with no obligation on 2213 the developer's part to actually add such component site to the 2214 multisite timeshare plan or to amend the developer's filing with 2215 the division, but only so long as such oral or written 2216 statements are not considered advertising material pursuant to 2217 paragraph (3)(e).

(b) A seller may make representations to purchasers in advertising material or in a purchaser public offering statement regarding the possible accommodations and facilities of a possible component site without such accommodations or facilities being available for use by purchasers so long as the advertising material or purchaser public offering statement complies with the provisions of subsection (4).

2225 In the event a seller makes any of the representations (C) 2226 permitted by paragraph (b), the purchase agreement must contain 2227 the following conspicuous disclosure unless and until such time 2228 as the developer has committed itself in the timeshare 2229 instrument to adding the possible component site to the 2230 multisite timeshare plan, at which time the seller may portray 2231 the component site pursuant to the timeshare instrument without 2232 restriction:

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[Description of possible component site] is only a possible component site which may never be added to the multisite timeshare plan (or multisite vacation ownership plan or multisite vacation plan or vacation club). Do not purchase an interest in the multisite timeshare plan (or multisite vacation ownership plan or multisite vacation plan or vacation club) in reliance upon the addition of this component site.

(d) Notwithstanding anything contained in this chapter to the contrary, a developer or managing entity may communicate with existing purchasers regarding possible component sites without restriction, so long as all oral and written statements made to existing purchasers pursuant to this subsection comply with the provisions of subsection (4).

(e) Any violation of this subsection by a developer, seller, or managing entity shall constitute a violation of this chapter. Any violation of this subsection with respect to a purchaser whose purchase has not yet closed shall be deemed to provide that purchaser with a new 10-day voidability period.

2252 Section 11. Subsection (1) of section 721.12, Florida 2253 Statutes, is amended to read:

2254 721.12 Recordkeeping by seller.--Each seller of a 2255 timeshare plan shall maintain among its business records the 2256 following:

(1) A copy of each contract for the sale of a timeshare interest, which contract has not been canceled. If a timeshare estate is being sold, the seller is required to retain a copy of the contract only until a deed of conveyance, agreement for deed, or lease is recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court in the county wherein the plan is located. If a

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HB 0277 2004 2263 personal property timeshare plan is being sold, the seller is 2264 required to retain a copy of the contract only until a 2265 certificate of transfer, agreement for transfer, lease, or other 2266 instrument of transfer that fully complies with s. 721.08 is 2267 delivered to the purchaser. Section 12. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1), 2268 2269 paragraph (b) of subsection (2), paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) of 2270 subsection (3), paragraph (g) of subsection (6), and subsections 2271 (4) and (8) of section 721.13, Florida Statutes, are amended, 2272 subsection (9) is renumbered as subsection (10), and new 2273 subsections (9) and (11) are added to said section, to read: 2274 721.13 Management.--2275 (1)(a) For each timeshare plan, the developer shall 2276 provide for a managing entity, which shall be either the 2277 developer, a separate manager or management firm, or an owners' 2278 association. Any owners' association shall be created prior to 2279 the first closing recording of the sale of a timeshare interest 2280 instrument. 2281 With respect to a timeshare plan which is also (b)1. 2282 regulated under chapter 718 or chapter 719, or which contains a 2283 mandatory owners' association, the board of administration of 2284 the owners' association shall be considered the managing entity

2285 of the timeshare plan.

2286 2. During any period of time in which such <u>owners'</u> 2287 association has entered into a contract with a manager or 2288 management firm to provide some or all of the management 2289 services to the timeshare plan, both the board of administration 2290 and the manager or management firm shall be considered the 2291 managing entity of the timeshare plan and shall be jointly and

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HB 0277 2004 2292 severally responsible for the faithful discharge of the duties 2293 of the managing entity.

3. An owners' association which is the managing entity of a timeshare plan that includes condominium units or cooperative units shall not be considered a condominium association pursuant to the provisions of chapter 718 or a cooperative association pursuant to the provisions of chapter 719, unless such owners' association also operates the entire condominium pursuant to s. 718.111 or the entire cooperative pursuant to s. 719.104.

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The managing entity shall invest the operating and 2302 (b) 2303 reserve funds of the timeshare plan in accordance with s. 2304 518.11(1); however, the managing entity shall give safety of 2305 capital greater weight than production of income. In no event 2306 shall the managing entity invest timeshare plan funds with a 2307 developer or with any entity that is not independent of any 2308 developer or any managing entity within the meaning of s. 2309 721.05(20) (18), and in no event shall the managing entity invest 2310 timeshare plan funds in notes and mortgages related in any way 2311 to the timeshare plan.

(3) The duties of the managing entity include, but are notlimited to:

(c)1. Providing each year to all purchasers an itemized
annual budget which shall include all estimated revenues and
expenses. The budget shall be in the form required by s.
721.07(5)(u). The budget and shall be the final budget adopted
by the managing entity for the current fiscal year. The final
adopted budget is not required to be delivered if the managing
entity has previously delivered a proposed annual budget for the

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HB 0277 2004 2321 current fiscal year to purchasers in accordance with chapter 718 2322 or chapter 719 and the managing entity includes a description of any changes in the adopted budget with the assessment notice and 2323 2324 a disclosure regarding the purchasers' right to receive a copy of the adopted budget, if desired. The budget shall contain, as 2325 2326 a footnote or otherwise, any related party transaction 2327 disclosures or notes which appear in the audited financial 2328 statements of the managing entity for the previous budget year 2329 as required by paragraph (e). A copy of the final budget shall be filed with the division for review within 30 days after the 2330 2331 beginning of each fiscal year together with a statement of the number of periods of 7-day annual use availability that exist 2332 2333 within the timeshare plan, including those periods filed for 2334 sale by the developer but not yet committed to the timeshare 2335 plan, for which annual fees are required to be paid to the 2336 division under s. 721.27.

2337 2. Notwithstanding anything contained in chapter 718 or 2338 chapter 719 to the contrary, the board of administration of an 2339 owners' association which serves as the managing entity may from 2340 time to time reallocate reserves for deferred maintenance and 2341 capital expenditures required by s. 721.07(5)(u)3.a.(XI) from 2342 any deferred maintenance or capital expenditure reserve account to any other deferred maintenance or capital expenditure reserve 2343 2344 account or accounts in its discretion without the consent of purchasers of the timeshare plan. Funds in any deferred 2345 maintenance or capital expenditure reserve account may not be 2346 2347 transferred to any operating account without the consent of a majority of the purchasers of the timeshare plan. The managing 2348 2349 entity may from time to time transfer excess funds in any

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2350 operating account to any deferred maintenance or capital 2351 expenditure reserve account without the vote or approval of purchasers of the timeshare plan. In the event any amount of 2352 2353 reserves for accommodations and facilities of a timeshare plan 2354 containing timeshare licenses or personal property timeshare 2355 interests exists at the end of the term of the timeshare plan, 2356 such reserves shall be refunded to purchasers on a pro rata 2357 basis.

2358 (d)1. Maintenance of all books and records concerning the 2359 timeshare plan so that all such books and records are reasonably 2360 available for inspection by any purchaser or the authorized 2361 agent of such purchaser. For purposes of this subparagraph, the 2362 books and records of the timeshare plan shall be considered 2363 "reasonably available" if copies of the requested portions are 2364 delivered to the purchaser or the purchaser's agent within 7 2365 days after of the date the managing entity receives a written request for the records signed by the purchaser. The managing 2366 2367 entity may charge the purchaser a reasonable fee for copying the 2368 requested information not to exceed 25 cents per page. However, 2369 any purchaser or agent of such purchaser shall be permitted to 2370 personally inspect and examine the books and records wherever 2371 located at any reasonable time, under reasonable conditions, and under the supervision of the custodian of those records. The 2372 2373 custodian shall supply copies of the records where requested and 2374 upon payment of the copying fee. No fees other than those set 2375 forth in this section may be charged for the providing of, 2376 inspection, or examination of books and records. All books and 2377 financial records of the timeshare plan must be maintained in 2378 accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.

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If the books and records of the timeshare plan are not 2379 2. 2380 maintained on the premises of the accommodations and facilities 2381 of the timeshare plan, the managing entity shall inform the division in writing of the location of the books and records and 2382 2383 the name and address of the person who acts as custodian of the 2384 books and records at that location. In the event that the 2385 location of the books and records changes, the managing entity 2386 shall notify the division of the change in location and the name 2387 and address of the new custodian within 30 days after of the 2388 date the books and records are moved. The purchasers shall be 2389 notified of the location of the books and records and the name 2390 and address of the custodian in the copy of the annual budget 2391 provided to them pursuant to paragraph (c).

3. The division is authorized to adopt rules which specify those items and matters that shall be included in the books and records of the timeshare plan and which specify procedures to be followed in requesting and delivering copies of the books and records.

4. Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 718 or chapter 719 to the contrary, the managing entity may not furnish the name, address, or electronic mail address of any purchaser to any other purchaser or authorized agent thereof unless the purchaser whose name, and address, or electronic mail address is are requested first approves the disclosure in writing.

(e) Arranging for an annual audit of the financial
statements of the timeshare plan by a certified public
accountant licensed by the Board of Accountancy of the
Department of Business and Professional Regulation, in
accordance with generally accepted auditing standards as defined

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2408 by the rules of the Board of Accountancy of the Department of 2409 Business and Professional Regulation. The financial statements 2410 required by this section must be prepared on an accrual basis using fund accounting, and must be presented in accordance with 2411 2412 generally accepted accounting principles. A copy of the audited 2413 financial statements must be filed with the division for review 2414 and forwarded to the board of directors and officers of the 2415 owners' association, if one exists, no later than 5 calendar 2416 months after the end of the timeshare plan's fiscal year. If no 2417 owners' association exists, each purchaser must be notified, no 2418 later than 5 months after the end of the timeshare plan's fiscal 2419 year, that a copy of the audited financial statements is 2420 available upon request to the managing entity. Notwithstanding 2421 any requirement of s. 718.111(13) or s. 719.104(4), the audited 2422 financial statements required by this section are the only 2423 annual financial reporting requirements for timeshare 2424 condominiums or timeshare cooperatives.

2425 The managing entity shall maintain among its records (4) 2426 and provide to the division upon request a complete list of the 2427 names and addresses of all purchasers and owners of timeshare units in the timeshare plan. The managing entity shall update 2428 2429 this list no less frequently than quarterly. Pursuant to 2430 paragraph (3)(d), the managing entity may not publish this owner's list or provide a copy of it to any purchaser or to any 2431 third party other than the division. However, the managing 2432 entity shall to those persons listed on the owner's list 2433 2434 materials provided by any purchaser, upon the written request of 2435 that purchaser, if the purpose of the mailing is to advance 2436 legitimate owners' association business, such as a proxy

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HB 0277 2004 2437 solicitation for any purpose, including the recall of one or 2438 more board members elected by the owners or the discharge of the manager or management firm. The use of any proxies solicited in 2439 2440 this manner must comply with the provisions of the timeshare 2441 instrument and this chapter. A mailing requested for the purpose 2442 of advancing legitimate owners' association business shall occur 2443 within 30 days after receipt of a request from a purchaser. The 2444 board of administration of the owners' association shall be 2445 responsible for determining the appropriateness of any mailing 2446 requested pursuant to this subsection. The purchaser who 2447 requests the mailing must reimburse the owners' association in 2448 advance for the owners' association's actual costs in performing 2449 the mailing. It shall be a violation of this chapter and, if 2450 applicable, of part VIII of chapter 468, for the board of 2451 administration or the manager or management firm to refuse to 2452 mail any material requested by the purchaser to be mailed, 2453 provided the sole purpose of the materials is to advance 2454 legitimate owners' association business. If the purpose of the 2455 mailing is a proxy solicitation to recall one or more board 2456 members elected by the owners or to discharge the manager or 2457 management firm and the managing entity does not mail the 2458 materials within 30 days after receipt of a request from a 2459 purchaser, the circuit court in the county where the timeshare 2460 plan is located may, upon application from the requesting purchaser, summarily order the mailing of the materials solely 2461 related to the recall of one or more board members elected by 2462 2463 the owners or the discharge of the manager or management firm. The court shall dispose of an application on an expedited basis. 2464 2465 In the event of such an order, the court may order the managing

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entity to pay the purchaser's costs, including attorney's fees reasonably incurred to enforce the purchaser's rights, unless the managing entity can prove it refused the mailing in good faith because of a reasonable basis for doubt about the legitimacy of the mailing.

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2472 A managing entity shall have breached its fiduciary (q) 2473 duty described in subsection (2) in the event it enforces the 2474 denial of use pursuant to paragraph (b) against any one 2475 purchaser or group of purchasers without similarly enforcing it against all purchasers, including all developers and owners of 2476 2477 the underlying fee or underlying personal property; however, a 2478 managing entity shall not be required to solicit rentals 2479 pursuant to paragraph (f) for every delinquent purchaser. A 2480 managing entity shall also have breached its fiduciary duty in 2481 the event an error in the books and records of the timeshare 2482 plan results in a denial of use pursuant to this subsection of any purchaser who is not, in fact, delinquent. In addition to 2483 2484 any remedies otherwise available to purchasers of the timeshare 2485 plan arising from such breaches of fiduciary duty, such breach 2486 shall also constitute a violation of this chapter. In addition, 2487 any purchaser receiving a notice of delinquency pursuant to 2488 paragraph (b), or any third party claiming under such purchaser 2489 pursuant to paragraph (b), may immediately bring an action for 2490 injunctive or declaratory relief against the managing entity seeking to have the notice invalidated on the grounds that the 2491 2492 purchaser is not, in fact, delinquent, that the managing entity failed to follow the procedures prescribed by this section, or 2493 2494 on any other available grounds. The prevailing party in any such

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2497 (8) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in s. 2498 718.110, s. 718.113, s. 718.114, or s. 719.1055, the board of administration of any owners' association that operates a 2499 2500 timeshare condominium pursuant to s. 718.111, or a timeshare 2501 cooperative pursuant to s. 719.104, shall have the power to make 2502 material alterations or substantial additions to the 2503 accommodations or facilities of such timeshare condominium or 2504 timeshare cooperative without the approval of the owners' association. However, if the timeshare condominium or timeshare 2505 2506 cooperative contains any residential units that are not subject 2507 to the timeshare plan, such action by the board of 2508 administration must be approved by a majority of the owners of 2509 such residential units. Unless otherwise provided in the 2510 timeshare instrument as originally recorded, no such amendment 2511 may change the configuration or size of any accommodation in any 2512 material fashion, or change the proportion or percentage by 2513 which a member of the owners' association shares the common 2514 expenses, unless the record owners of the affected units or 2515 timeshare interests and all record owners of liens on the 2516 affected units or timeshare interests join in the execution of the amendment. 2517

2518 (9) All notices or other information sent by a board of
2519 administration of an owners' association may be delivered to a
2520 purchaser by electronic mail, provided that the purchaser first
2521 consents electronically to the use of electronic mail for notice
2522 purposes in a manner that reasonably demonstrates that the
2523 purchaser has the ability to access the notice by electronic

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2524	HB 0277 mail. Proxies or written consents on votes of any owners'
2525	association may be received by electronic mail, shall have legal
2526	effect, and may be utilized for votes of an owners' association,
2527	provided that the electronic signature is authenticated through
2528	use of a password, cryptography software, or other reasonable
2529	means and that proof of such authentication is made available to
2530	the board of directors.
2531	(10)(9) Any failure of the managing entity to faithfully
2532	discharge the fiduciary duty to purchasers imposed by this
2533	section or to otherwise comply with the provisions of this
2534	section shall be a violation of this chapter and of part VIII of
2535	chapter 468.
2536	(11) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section,
2537	personal property timeshare plans are only subject to the
2538	provisions of subsections (1)(a)-(d), (2)(a), (3)(a)-(h), (5),
2539	<u>(6), (9), and (10).</u>
2540	Section 13. Subsection (4) is added to section 721.14,
2541	Florida Statutes, to read:
2542	721.14 Discharge of managing entity
2543	(4) This section shall not apply to personal property
2544	timeshare plans.
2545	Section 14. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section
2546	721.15, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (10) is
2547	added to said section, to read:
2548	721.15 Assessments for common expenses
2549	(2)
2550	(c) For the purpose of calculating the obligation of a
2551	developer under a guarantee pursuant to paragraph (b),
2552	depreciation expenses related to real property shall be excluded
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2553	from common expenses incurred during the guarantee period,
2554	except that for real property that is used for the production of
2555	fees, revenues, or other income, depreciation expenses shall be
2556	excluded only to the extent that they exceed the net income from
2557	the production of such fees, revenues, or other income.
2558	(10) This section shall not apply to personal property
2559	timeshare plans.
2560	Section 15. Subsection (6) is added to section 721.16,
2561	Florida Statutes, to read:
2562	721.16 Liens for overdue assessments; liens for labor
2563	performed on, or materials furnished to, a timeshare unit
2564	(6) This section shall not apply to personal property
2565	timeshare plans.
2566	Section 16. Section 721.17, Florida Statutes, is amended
2567	to read:
2568	721.17 Transfer of interestExcept in the case of a
2569	timeshare plan subject to the provisions of chapter 718 or
2570	chapter 719, no developer <u>,</u> or owner of the underlying fee <u>, or</u>
2571	owner of the underlying personal property shall sell, lease,
2572	assign, mortgage, or otherwise transfer his or her interest in
2573	the accommodations and facilities of the timeshare plan except
2574	by an instrument evidencing the transfer recorded in the public
2575	records of the county in which such accommodations and
2576	facilities are located or, with respect to personal property
2577	timeshare plans, in full compliance with s. 721.08. The
2578	instrument shall be executed by both the transferor and
2579	transferee and shall state:
2580	(1) That its provisions are intended to protect the rights
2581	of all purchasers of the plan.

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(2) That its terms may be enforced by any prior or
subsequent timeshare purchaser so long as that purchaser is not
in default of his or her obligations.

2585 (3) That so long as a purchaser remains in good standing 2586 with respect to her or his obligations under the timeshare 2587 instrument, including making all payments to the managing entity 2588 required by the timeshare instrument with respect to the annual 2589 common expenses of the timeshare plan, the transferee shall will 2590 fully honor all the rights of such purchaser relating to the 2591 subject accommodation or facility as reflected the purchasers to 2592 occupy and use the accommodations and facilities as provided in 2593 their original contracts and the timeshare instrument 2594 instruments.

2595 (4) That the transferee will fully honor all rights of 2596 timeshare purchasers to cancel their contracts and receive 2597 appropriate refunds.

(5) That the obligations of the transferee under such instrument will continue to exist despite any cancellation or rejection of the contracts between the developer and purchaser arising out of bankruptcy proceedings.

2603 Should any transfer of the interest of the developer, the or owner of the underlying fee, or the owner of the underlying 2604 2605 property occur in a manner which is not in compliance with this 2606 section, the terms set forth in this section shall be presumed 2607 to be a part of the transfer and shall be deemed to be included 2608 in the instrument of transfer. Notice shall be mailed to each purchaser of record within 30 days after of the transfer unless 2609 2610 such transfer does not affect the purchaser's rights in or use

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HB 027720042611of the timeshare plan. Persons who hold mortgages or liens on2612the property constituting a timeshare plan before the filed2613registered public offering statement of such plan is approved by2614the division shall not be considered transferees for the2615purposes of this section.

2616 Section 17. Section 721.18, Florida Statutes, is amended 2617 to read:

2618 721.18 Exchange programs; filing of information and other 2619 materials; filing fees; unlawful acts in connection with an 2620 exchange program.--

If a purchaser is offered the opportunity to subscribe 2621 (1)to an exchange program, the seller shall deliver to the 2622 2623 purchaser, together with the purchaser public offering 2624 statement, and prior to the offering or execution of any 2625 contract between the purchaser and the company offering the 2626 exchange program, written information regarding such exchange 2627 program; or, if the exchange company is dealing directly with 2628 the purchaser, the exchange company shall deliver to the 2629 purchaser, prior to the initial offering or execution of any 2630 contract between the purchaser and the company offering the 2631 exchange program, written information regarding such exchange 2632 program. In either case, the purchaser shall certify in writing 2633 to the receipt of such information. Such information shall 2634 include, but is not limited to, the following information, the 2635 form and substance of which shall first be approved by the 2636 division in accordance with subsection (2):

(a) The name and address of the exchange company.
(b) The names of all officers, directors, and shareholders
of the exchange company.

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HB 0277 2640 (c) Whether the exchange company or any of its officers or 2641 directors has any legal or beneficial interest in any developer, 2642 seller, or managing entity for any timeshare plan participating 2643 in the exchange program and, if so, the name and location of the 2644 timeshare plan and the nature of the interest.

(d) Unless otherwise stated, a statement that the purchaser's contract with the exchange company is a contract separate and distinct from the purchaser's contract with the seller of the timeshare plan.

(e) Whether the purchaser's participation in the exchange
program is dependent upon the continued affiliation of the
timeshare plan with the exchange program.

(f) <u>A statement that</u> Whether the purchaser's participation in the exchange program is voluntary. <u>This statement is not</u> required to be given by the seller or managing entity of a <u>multisite timeshare plan to purchasers in the multisite</u> <u>timeshare plan.</u>

(g) A complete and accurate description of the terms and conditions of the purchaser's contractual relationship with the exchange program and the procedure by which changes thereto may be made.

(h) A complete and accurate description of the procedureto qualify for and effectuate exchanges.

(i) A complete and accurate description of all limitations, restrictions, or priorities employed in the operation of the exchange program, including, but not limited to, limitations on exchanges based on seasonality, timeshare unit size, or levels of occupancy, expressed in boldfaced type, and, in the event that such limitations, restrictions, or

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HB 0277 2004 2669 priorities are not uniformly applied by the exchange program, a 2670 clear description of the manner in which they are applied. 2671 Whether exchanges are arranged on a space-available (j) 2672 basis and whether any guarantees of fulfillment of specific

requests for exchanges are made by the exchange program. 2674 (k) Whether and under what circumstances a purchaser, in 2675 dealing with the exchange program, may lose the use and 2676 occupancy of her or his timeshare period in any properly applied 2677 for exchange without her or his being provided with substitute 2678 accommodations by the exchange program.

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2679 (1) The fees or range of fees for membership or 2680 participation by purchasers in the exchange program by 2681 purchasers, including any conversion or other fees payable to 2682 third parties, a statement whether any such fees may be altered by the exchange company, and the circumstances under which 2683 2684 alterations may be made.

2685 The name and address of the site of each accommodation (m) 2686 or facility included in the timeshare plan plans participating 2687 in the exchange program.

2688 The number of the timeshare units in each timeshare (n) plan which are available for occupancy and which qualify for 2689 2690 participation in the exchange program, expressed within the 2691 following numerical groupings: 1-5; 6-10; 11-20; 21-50; and 51 2692 and over.

2693 The number of currently enrolled purchasers for each (O) timeshare plan participating in the exchange program, expressed 2694 2695 within the following numerical groupings: 1-100; 101-249; 250-2696 499; 500-999; and 1,000 and over; and a statement of the 2697 criteria used to determine those purchasers who are currently

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(p) The disposition made by the exchange company of timeshare periods deposited with the exchange program by purchasers enrolled in the exchange program and not used by the exchange company in effecting exchanges.

(q) The following information, which shall be independently audited by a certified public accountant or accounting firm in accordance with the standards of the Accounting Standards Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and reported annually beginning no later than July 1, 1982:

2709 1. The number of purchasers currently enrolled in the2710 exchange program.

2711 2. The number of accommodations and facilities that have
2712 current written affiliation agreements with the exchange
2713 program.

3. The percentage of confirmed exchanges, which is the number of exchanges confirmed by the exchange program divided by the number of exchanges properly applied for, together with a complete and accurate statement of the criteria used to determine whether an exchange request was properly applied for.

4. The number of timeshare periods for which the exchange program has an outstanding obligation to provide an exchange to a purchaser who relinquished a timeshare period during the year in exchange for a timeshare period in any future year.

5. The number of exchanges confirmed by the exchangeprogram during the year.

(r) A statement in boldfaced type to the effect that thepercentage described in subparagraph (q)3. is a summary of the

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2727 exchange requests entered with the exchange program in the 2728 period reported and that the percentage does not indicate the 2729 probabilities of a purchaser's being confirmed to any specific 2730 choice or range of choices.

2731 Each exchange company offering an exchange program to (2) 2732 purchasers in this state shall file with the division for review 2733 the information specified in subsection (1), together with any 2734 membership agreement and application between the purchaser and 2735 the exchange company, and the audit specified in subsection (1) 2736 on or before June 1 of each year. However, an exchange company 2737 shall make its initial filing at least 20 days prior to offering 2738 an exchange program to any purchaser in this state. Each filing 2739 shall be accompanied by an annual filing fee of \$500. Within 20 2740 days after of receipt of such filing, the division shall 2741 determine whether the filing is adequate to meet the 2742 requirements of this section and shall notify the exchange 2743 company in writing that the division has either approved the 2744 filing or found specified deficiencies in the filing. If the 2745 division fails to respond within 20 days, the filing shall be 2746 deemed approved. The exchange company may correct the 2747 deficiencies; and, within 10 days after receipt of corrections from the exchange company, the division shall notify the 2748 2749 exchange company in writing that the division has either 2750 approved the filing or found additional specified deficiencies 2751 in the filing. If the exchange company fails to adequately 2752 respond to any deficiency notice within 10 days, the division 2753 may reject the filing. Subsequent to such rejection, a new 2754 filing fee and a new division initial review period pursuant to 2755 this subsection shall apply to any refiling or further review of

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2756 the rejected filing.

2757 (a) Any material change to an approved exchange company filing shall be filed with the division for approval as an 2758 2759 amendment prior to becoming effective. Each amendment filing 2760 shall be accompanied by a filing fee of \$100. The exchange 2761 company may correct the deficiencies; and, within 10 days after 2762 receipt of corrections from the exchange company, the division 2763 shall notify the exchange company in writing that the division 2764 has either approved the filing or found additional specified deficiencies in the filing. Each approved amendment to the 2765 approved exchange company filing, other than an amendment that 2766 2767 does not materially alter or modify the exchange program in a 2768 manner that is adverse to a purchaser, as determined by the 2769 exchange company in its reasonable discretion, shall be 2770 delivered to each purchaser who has not closed. An approved 2771 exchange program filing is required to be updated with respect 2772 to added or deleted resorts only once each year, and such annual 2773 update shall not be deemed to be a material change to the 2774 filing.

2775 (b) If at any time the division determines that any of 2776 such information supplied by an exchange company fails to meet 2777 the requirements of this section, the division may undertake 2778 enforcement action against the exchange company in accordance 2779 with the provision of s. 721.26.

(3) No developer shall have any liability with respect to
any violation of this chapter arising out of the publication by
the developer of information provided to it by an exchange
company pursuant to this section. No exchange company shall have
any liability with respect to any violation of this chapter

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HB 0277 2004 2785 arising out of the use by a developer of information relating to 2786 an exchange program other than that provided to the developer by 2787 the exchange company.

2788 (4) At the request of the exchange company, the division 2789 shall review any audio, written, or visual publications or 2790 materials relating to an exchange company or an exchange program 2791 shall be filed for review by the exchange company and shall 2792 notify the exchange company of any deficiencies within 10 with the division within 3 days after the filing of their use. If the 2793 exchange company corrects the deficiencies, or if there are no 2794 deficiencies, the division shall notify the exchange company of 2795 2796 its approval of the advertising materials. If the exchange 2797 company fails to adequately respond to any deficiency notice 2798 within 10 days, the division may reject the advertising 2799 materials. Subsequent to such rejection, a new division initial 2800 review period pursuant to this subsection shall apply to any 2801 refiling or further review.

(5) The failure of an exchange company to observe the requirements of this section, or the use of any unfair or deceptive act or practice in connection with the operation of an exchange program, is a violation of this chapter.

2806 Section 18. Section 721.19, Florida Statutes, is amended 2807 to read:

2808 721.19 Provisions requiring purchase or lease of timeshare 2809 property by owners' association or purchasers; validity.--In any 2810 timeshare plan in which timeshare estates <u>or personal property</u> 2811 <u>timeshare interests</u> are sold, no grant or reservation made by a 2812 declaration, lease, or other document, nor any contract made by 2813 the developer, managing entity, or owners' association, which

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HB 0277 2004 2814 requires the owners' association or purchasers to purchase or 2815 lease any portion of the timeshare property shall be valid unless approved by a majority of the purchasers other than the 2816 2817 developer, after more than 50 percent of the timeshare periods 2818 have been sold. 2819 Section 19. Section 721.20, Florida Statutes, is amended 2820 to read: 2821 721.20 Licensing requirements; suspension or revocation of 2822 license; exceptions to applicability; collection of advance fees for listings unlawful. --2823 (1) Any seller of a timeshare plan must be a licensed real 2824 2825 estate broker, broker associate, or sales associate as defined in s. 475.01, except as provided in s. 475.011. 2826 2827 (2) Solicitors who engage only in the solicitation of 2828 prospective purchasers and any purchaser who refers no more than 2829 20 people to a developer per year or who otherwise provides testimonials on behalf of a developer are exempt from the 2830 2831 provisions of chapter 475. 2832 (3) A solicitor who has violated the provisions of chapter 2833 468, chapter 718, chapter 719, this chapter, or the rules of the 2834 division governing timesharing shall be subject to the 2835 provisions of s. 721.26. Any developer or other person who 2836 supervises, directs, or engages the services of a solicitor 2837 shall be liable for any violation of the provisions of chapter 2838 468, chapter 718, chapter 719, this chapter, or the rules of the

(4) County and municipal governments shall have the
authority to adopt codes of conduct and regulations to govern
solicitor activity conducted on public property, including

division governing timesharing committed by such solicitor.

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2843 providing for the imposition of penalties prescribed by a 2844 schedule of fines adopted by ordinance for violations of any 2845 such code of conduct or regulation. Any violation of any such 2846 adopted code of conduct or regulation shall not constitute a 2847 separate violation of this chapter. This subsection is not 2848 intended to restrict or invalidate any local code of conduct or 2849 regulation.

(5) This section does not apply to those individuals who offer for sale only timeshare interests in timeshare property located outside this state and who do not engage in any sales activity within this state or to timeshare plans which are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. For the purposes of this section, both timeshare licenses and timeshare estates are considered to be interests in real property.

(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 475.452, it is unlawful for any real estate broker, broker associate, or sales associate to collect any advance fee for the listing of any timeshare estate or timeshare license.

2861 (7) It is unlawful for any broker, salesperson, or broker-2862 salesperson to collect any advance fee for the listing of a 2863 personal property timeshare interest.

2864(8)Subsections (1), (2), and (3) do not apply to persons2865who offer personal property timeshare plans.

2866 Section 20. Subsection (6) is added to section 721.24, 2867 Florida Statutes, to read: 2868 721.24 Firesafety.--

2869 (6) Accommodations and facilities of personal property 2870 <u>timeshare plans shall be exempt from the requirements of this</u> 2871 <u>section.</u>

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2872Section 21. Paragraphs (a), (d), and (e) of subsection (5)2873of section 721.26, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

2874 721.26 Regulation by division.--The division has the power 2875 to enforce and ensure compliance with the provisions of this 2876 chapter, except for parts III and IV, using the powers provided 2877 in this chapter, as well as the powers prescribed in chapters 2878 498, 718, and 719. In performing its duties, the division shall 2879 have the following powers and duties:

(5) Notwithstanding any remedies available to purchasers, if the division has reasonable cause to believe that a violation of this chapter, or of any division rule or order promulgated or issued pursuant to this chapter, has occurred, the division may institute enforcement proceedings in its own name against any regulated party, as such term is defined in this subsection:

(a)1. "Regulated party," for purposes of this section, means any developer, exchange company, seller, managing entity, <u>owners'</u> association, <u>owners'</u> association director, <u>owners'</u> association officer, manager, management firm, escrow agent, trustee, any respective assignees or agents, or any other person having duties or obligations pursuant to this chapter.

2892 2. Any person who materially participates in any offer or 2893 disposition of any interest in, or the management or operation 2894 of, a timeshare plan in violation of this chapter or relevant 2895 rules involving fraud, deception, false pretenses, misrepresentation, or false advertising or the disbursement, 2896 concealment, or diversion of any funds or assets, which conduct 2897 2898 adversely affects the interests of a purchaser, and which person directly or indirectly controls a regulated party or is a 2899 2900 general partner, officer, director, agent, or employee of such

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regulated party, shall be jointly and severally liable under this subsection with such regulated party, unless such person did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not have known, of the existence of the facts giving rise to the violation of this chapter. A right of contribution shall exist among jointly and severally liable persons pursuant to this paragraph.

2908 (d)1. The division may bring an action in circuit court 2909 for declaratory or injunctive relief or for other appropriate 2910 relief, including restitution.

2911 2. The division shall have broad authority and discretion 2912 to petition the circuit court to appoint a receiver with respect 2913 to any managing entity which fails to perform its duties and 2914 obligations under this chapter with respect to the operation of 2915 a timeshare plan. The circumstances giving rise to an 2916 appropriate petition for receivership under this subparagraph 2917 include, but are not limited to:

2918 a. Damage to or destruction of any of the accommodations 2919 or facilities of a timeshare plan, where the managing entity has 2920 failed to repair or reconstruct same.

2921 b. A breach of fiduciary duty by the managing entity, 2922 including, but not limited to, undisclosed self-dealing or 2923 failure to timely assess, collect, or disburse the common 2924 expenses of the timeshare plan.

2925 c. Failure of the managing entity to operate the timeshare 2926 plan in accordance with the timeshare instrument and this 2927 chapter.

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If, under the circumstances, it appears that the events giving

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2004 2930 rise to the petition for receivership cannot be reasonably and 2931 timely corrected in a cost-effective manner consistent with the 2932 timeshare instrument, the receiver may petition the circuit 2933 court to implement such amendments or revisions to the timeshare 2934 instrument as may be necessary to enable the managing entity to 2935 resume effective operation of the timeshare plan, or to enter an 2936 order terminating the timeshare plan, or to enter such further 2937 orders regarding the disposition of the timeshare property as 2938 the court deems appropriate, including the disposition and sale 2939 of the timeshare property held by the owners' association or the 2940 purchasers. In the event of a receiver's sale, all rights, 2941 title, and interest held by the owners' association or any 2942 purchaser shall be extinguished and title shall vest in the 2943 buyer. This provision applies to timeshare estates, personal 2944 property timeshare interests, and timeshare licenses. All 2945 reasonable costs and fees of the receiver relating to the 2946 receivership shall become common expenses of the timeshare plan 2947 upon order of the court.

2948 The division may revoke its approval of any filing for 3. 2949 any timeshare plan for which a petition for receivership has 2950 been filed pursuant to this paragraph.

2951 The division may impose a penalty against any (e)1. 2952 regulated party for a violation of this chapter or any rule 2953 adopted thereunder. A penalty may be imposed on the basis of 2954 each day of continuing violation, but in no event may the penalty for any offense exceed \$10,000. All accounts collected 2955 2956 shall be deposited with the Chief Financial Officer to the credit of the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and 2957 2958 Mobile Homes Trust Fund.

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HB 0277 2004 2959 2.a. If a regulated party fails to pay a penalty, the 2960 division shall thereupon issue an order directing that such regulated party cease and desist from further operation until 2961 2962 such time as the penalty is paid; or the division may pursue 2963 enforcement of the penalty in a court of competent jurisdiction. 2964 b. If an owners' association or managing entity fails to 2965 pay a civil penalty, the division may pursue enforcement in a 2966 court of competent jurisdiction. Section 22. Section 721.52, Florida Statutes, is amended 2967 2968 to read: 721.52 Definitions. -- As used in this chapter, the term: 2969 2970 "Applicable law" means the law of the jurisdiction (1)where the accommodations and facilities referred to are located. 2971 2972 (2)"Component site" means a specific geographic site 2973 where a portion of the accommodations and facilities of the 2974 multisite timeshare plan are located. If permitted under 2975 applicable law, separate phases operated as a single development 2976 located at a specific geographic site under common management 2977 shall be deemed a single component site for purposes of this 2978 part. "Inventory" means the accommodations and facilities 2979 (3) located at a particular component site or sites owned, leased, 2980 2981 licensed, or otherwise acquired for use by a developer and 2982 offered as part of the multisite timeshare plan. 2983 "Multisite timeshare plan" means any method, (4) arrangement, or procedure with respect to which a purchaser 2984 2985 obtains, by any means, a recurring right to use and occupy 2986 accommodations or facilities of more than one component site,

2987 only through use of a reservation system, whether or not the

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HB 0277 2004 2988 purchaser is able to elect to cease participating in the plan. 2989 However, the term "multisite timeshare plan" shall not include 2990 any method, arrangement, or procedure wherein: 2991 (a) The contractually specified maximum total financial obligation on the purchaser's part is \$3,000 or less, during the 2992 2993 entire term of the plan; or 2994 The term is for a period of 3 years or less, (b) 2995 regardless of the purchaser's contractually specified maximum total financial obligation, if any. For purposes of determining 2996 2997 the term of such use and occupancy rights, the period of any 2998 optional renewals which a purchaser, in his or her sole 2999 discretion, may elect to exercise, whether or not for additional 3000 consideration, shall not be included. For purposes of 3001 determining the term of such use and occupancy rights, the 3002 period of any automatic renewals shall be included unless a 3003 purchaser has the right to terminate the membership at any time 3004 and receive a pro rata refund or the purchaser receives a notice 3005 no less than 30 days and no more than 60 days prior to the date 3006 of renewal informing the purchaser of the right to terminate at any time prior to the date of automatic renewal. 3007 3008 Multisite timeshare plan does not mean an exchange program as 3009 3010 defined in s. 721.05. Timeshare estates may only be offered in a 3011 multisite timeshare plan pursuant to s. 721.57. 3012 "Nonspecific multisite timeshare plan" means a (5) multisite timeshare plan containing timeshare licenses or 3013 3014 personal property timeshare interests, with respect to which a

3015 <u>purchaser receives a right to use all of the accommodations and</u> 3016 facilities, if any, of the multisite timeshare plan through the

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3017 reservation system, but no specific right to use any particular 3018 accommodations and facilities for the remaining term of the 3019 multisite timeshare plan in the event that the reservation 3020 system is terminated for any reason prior to the expiration of 3021 the term of the multisite timeshare plan.

(6)(5) "Reservation system" means the method, arrangement, 3022 3023 or procedure by which a purchaser, in order to reserve the use 3024 and occupancy of any accommodation or facility of the multisite 3025 timeshare plan for one or more use periods, is required to 3026 compete with other purchasers in the same multisite timeshare 3027 plan regardless of whether such reservation system is operated 3028 and maintained by the multisite timeshare plan managing entity, 3029 an exchange company, or any other person. In the event that a 3030 purchaser is required to use an exchange program as the 3031 purchaser's principal means of obtaining the right to use and 3032 occupy a multisite timeshare plan's accommodations and 3033 facilities, such arrangement shall be deemed a reservation 3034 system. When an exchange company utilizes a mechanism for the 3035 exchange of use of timeshare periods among members of an 3036 exchange program, such utilization is not a reservation system 3037 of a multisite timeshare plan.

3038 (7) "Specific multisite timeshare plan" means a multisite timeshare plan containing timeshare licenses or personal 3039 3040 property timeshare interests, with respect to which a purchaser 3041 receives a specific right to use accommodations and facilities, if any, at one component site of a multisite timeshare plan, 3042 3043 together with use rights in the other accommodations and 3044 facilities of the multisite timeshare plan created by or 3045 acquired through the reservation system.

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3046	<u>(8)</u> (6) "Vacation club" means a multisite timeshare plan.
3047	Section 23. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
3048	721.53, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (f) is added
3049	to said subsection, to read:
3050	721.53 Subordination instruments; alternate security
3051	arrangements
3052	(1) With respect to each accommodation or facility of a
3053	multisite timeshare plan, the developer shall provide the
3054	division with satisfactory evidence that one of the following
3055	has occurred with respect to each interestholder prior to
3056	offering the accommodation or facility as a part of the
3057	multisite timeshare plan:
3058	(a) The interestholder has executed and recorded a
3059	nondisturbance and notice to creditors instrument pursuant to s.
3060	721.08 (2)(c) .
3061	(f) With respect to any personal property accommodations
3062	or facilities, the developer and any other interestholder have
3063	complied fully with the applicable provisions of s. 721.08.
3064	Section 24. Section 721.54, Florida Statutes, is amended
3065	to read:
3066	721.54 Term of nonspecific multisite timeshare plansIt
3067	shall be a violation of this part to represent to a purchaser of
3068	a nonspecific multisite timeshare plan as defined in s.
3069	721.52(5) $721.552(4)$ that the term of the plan for that
3070	purchaser is longer than the shortest term of availability of
3071	any of the accommodations included within the plan at the time
3072	of purchase.
3073	Section 25. Section 721.55, Florida Statutes, is amended
3074	to read:

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HB 0277 2004 3075 721.55 Multisite timeshare plan public offering 3076 statement.--Each filed registered public offering statement for a multisite timeshare plan shall contain the information 3077 required by this section and shall comply with the provisions of 3078 3079 s. 721.07, except as otherwise provided therein. The division is 3080 authorized to provide by rule the method by which a developer 3081 must provide such information to the division. Each multisite timeshare plan filed registered public offering statement shall 3082 3083 contain the following information and disclosures: 3084 A cover page containing: (1)3085 (a) The name of the multisite timeshare plan. 3086 The following statement in conspicuous type: (b) 3087 3088 This public offering statement contains important matters 3089 to be considered in acquiring an interest in a multisite 3090 timeshare plan (or multisite vacation ownership plan or 3091 multisite vacation plan or vacation club). The statements 3092 contained herein are only summary in nature. A prospective 3093 purchaser should refer to all references, accompanying exhibits, 3094 contract documents, and sales materials. The prospective 3095 purchaser should not rely upon oral representations as being 3096 correct and should refer to this document and accompanying 3097 exhibits for correct representations. 3098 3099 A summary containing all statements required to be in (2) conspicuous type in the public offering statement and in all 3100 3101 exhibits thereto. A separate index for the contents and exhibits of the 3102 (3) 3103 public offering statement.

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HB 0277 3104 (4) A text, which shall include, where applicable, the 3105 information and disclosures set forth in paragraphs (a)-(l).

(a) A description of the multisite timeshare plan,
including its term, legal structure, and form of ownership. For
multisite timeshare plans in which the purchaser will receive a
timeshare estate pursuant to s. 721.57 <u>and for</u> or a specific
<u>multisite</u> timeshare <u>plans</u> license as defined in s. 721.552(4),
the description must also include the term of each component
site within the multisite timeshare plan.

3113 (b) A description of the structure and ownership of the 3114 reservation system together with a disclosure of the entity 3115 responsible for the operation of the reservation system. The 3116 description shall include the financial terms of any lease of 3117 the reservation system, if applicable. The developer shall not 3118 be required to disclose the financial terms of any such lease if 3119 such lease is prepaid in full for the term of the multisite 3120 timeshare plan or to any extent that neither purchasers nor the 3121 managing entity will be required to make payments for the 3122 continued use of the system following default by the developer 3123 or termination of the managing entity.

(c)1. A description of the manner in which the reservation system operates. The description shall include a disclosure in compliance with the demand balancing standard set forth in s. 721.56(6) and shall describe the developer's efforts to comply with same in creating the reservation system. The description shall also include a summary of the rules and regulations governing access to and use of the reservation system.

3131 2. In lieu of describing the rules and regulations of the3132 reservation system in the public offering statement text, the

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HB 0277 2004 3133 developer may attach the rules and regulations as a separate 3134 public offering statement exhibit, together with a crossreference in the public offering statement text to such exhibit. 3135 The existence of and an explanation regarding any 3136 (d) 3137 priority reservation features that affect a purchaser's ability 3138 to make reservations for the use of a given accommodation or 3139 facility on a first come, first served basis, including, if applicable, the following statement in conspicuous type: 3140 3141 3142 Component sites contained in the multisite timeshare plan 3143 (or multisite vacation ownership plan or multisite vacation plan 3144 or vacation club) are subject to priority reservation features 3145 which may affect your ability to obtain a reservation. 3146 3147 (e) A summary of the material rules and regulations, if any, other than the reservation system rules and regulations, 3148 3149 affecting the purchaser's use of each accommodation and facility 3150 at each component site. 3151 If the provisions of s. 721.552 and the timeshare (f)

3151 (1) If the provisions of s. 721.552 and the timeshare 3152 instrument permit additions, substitutions, or deletions of 3153 accommodations or facilities, the public offering statement must 3154 include substantially the following information:

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1. Additions.--

3156 a. A description of the basis upon which new 3157 accommodations and facilities may be added to the multisite 3158 timeshare plan; by whom additions may be made; and the 3159 anticipated effect of the addition of new accommodations and 3160 facilities upon the reservation system, its priorities, its 3161 rules and regulations, and the availability of existing

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3163 b. The developer must disclose the existence of any cap on 3164 annual increases in common expenses of the multisite timeshare 3165 plan that would apply in the event that additional 3166 accommodations and facilities are made a part of the plan.

3167 c. The developer shall also disclose any extent to which 3168 the purchasers of the multisite timeshare plan will have the 3169 right to consent to any proposed additions; if the purchasers do 3170 not have the right to consent, the developer must include the 3171 following disclosure in conspicuous type:

3173 Accommodations and facilities may be added to this 3174 multisite timeshare plan (or multisite vacation ownership plan 3175 or multisite vacation plan or vacation club) without the consent of the purchasers. The addition of accommodations and facilities 3176 3177 to the plan may result in the addition of new purchasers who 3178 will compete with existing purchasers in making reservations for 3179 the use of available accommodations and facilities within the 3180 plan, and may also result in an increase in the annual 3181 assessment against purchasers for common expenses.

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2. Substitutions.--

a. A description of the basis upon which new
accommodations and facilities may be substituted for existing
accommodations and facilities of the multisite timeshare plan;
by whom substitutions may be made; the basis upon which the
determination may be made to cause such substitutions to occur;
and any limitations upon the ability to cause substitutions to
occur.

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HB 0277 2004 3191 b. The developer shall also disclose any extent to which 3192 purchasers will have the right to consent to any proposed 3193 substitutions; if the purchasers do not have the right to 3194 consent, the developer must include the following disclosure in 3195 conspicuous type:

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3197 New accommodations and facilities may be substituted for 3198 existing accommodations and facilities of this multisite 3199 timeshare plan (or multisite vacation ownership plan or 3200 multisite vacation plan or vacation club) without the consent of 3201 the purchasers. The replacement accommodations and facilities 3202 may be located at a different place or may be of a different 3203 type or quality than the replaced accommodations and facilities. The substitution of accommodations and facilities may also 3204 3205 result in an increase in the annual assessment against 3206 purchasers for common expenses.

3. Deletions. -- A description of any provision of the 3208 3209 timeshare instrument governing deletion of accommodations or 3210 facilities from the multisite timeshare plan. If the timeshare instrument does not provide for business interruption insurance 3211 3212 in the event of a casualty, or if it is unavailable, or if the instrument permits the developer, the managing entity, or the 3213 purchasers to elect not to reconstruct after casualty under 3214 3215 certain circumstances or to secure replacement accommodations or facilities in lieu of reconstruction, the public offering 3216 3217 statement must contain a disclosure that during the reconstruction, replacement, or acquisition period, or as a 3218 3219 result of a decision not to reconstruct, purchasers of the plan

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HB 0277 3220 may temporarily compete for available accommodations on a 3221 greater than one-to-one purchaser to accommodation ratio.

3222 (g) A description of the developer and the managing entity3223 of the multisite timeshare plan, including:

1. The identity of the developer; the developer's business address; the number of years of experience the developer has in the timeshare, hotel, motel, travel, resort, or leisure industries; and a description of any pending lawsuit or judgment against the developer which is material to the plan. If there are no such pending lawsuits or judgments, there shall be a statement to that effect.

3231 The identity of the managing entity of the multisite 2. 3232 timeshare plan; the managing entity's business address; the 3233 number of years of experience the managing entity has in the 3234 timeshare, hotel, motel, travel, resort, or leisure industries; and a description of any lawsuit or judgment against the 3235 3236 managing entity which is material to the plan. If there are no 3237 pending lawsuits or judgments, there shall be a statement to 3238 that effect. The description of the managing entity shall also 3239 include a description of the relationship among the managing 3240 entity of the multisite timeshare plan and the various component 3241 site managing entities.

3242 (h) A description of the purchaser's liability for common 3243 expenses of the multisite timeshare plan, including the 3244 following:

3245 1. A description of the common expenses of the plan, 3246 including the method of allocation and assessment of such common 3247 expenses, whether component site common expenses and real estate 3248 taxes are included within the total common expense assessment of

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3249 the multisite timeshare plan, and, if not, the manner in which 3250 timely payment of component site common expenses and real estate 3251 taxes shall be accomplished.

2. A description of any cap imposed upon the level of common expenses payable by the purchaser. In no event shall the total common expense assessment for the multisite timeshare plan in a given calendar year exceed 125 percent of the total common expense assessment for the plan in the previous calendar year.

3257 3. A description of the entity responsible for the 3258 determination of the common expenses of the multisite timeshare 3259 plan, as well as any entity which may increase the level of 3260 common expenses assessed against the purchaser at the multisite 3261 timeshare plan level.

4. A description of the method used to collect common expenses, including the entity responsible for such collections, and the lien rights of any entity for nonpayment of common expenses. If the common expenses of any component site are collected by the managing entity of the multisite timeshare plan, a statement to that effect together with the identity and address of the escrow agent required by s. 721.56(3).

5. If the purchaser will receive <u>an interest in</u> a nonspecific <u>multisite</u> timeshare <u>plan</u> license as defined in s. 721.552(4), a statement that a multisite timeshare plan budget is attached to the public offering statement as an exhibit pursuant to paragraph (7)(c). The multisite timeshare plan budget shall comply with the provisions of s. 721.07(5)(u).

3275 6. If the developer intends to guarantee the level of 3276 assessments for the multisite timeshare plan, such guarantee 3277 must be based upon a good faith estimate of the revenues and

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a. The specific time period, measured in one or more
calendar or fiscal years, during which the guarantee will be in
effect.

3283 b. A statement that the developer will pay all common 3284 expenses incurred in excess of the total revenues of the 3285 multisite timeshare plan, if the developer is to be excused from 3286 the payment of assessments during the guarantee period.

3287 c. The level, expressed in total dollars, at which the 3288 developer guarantees the assessments. If the developer has 3289 reserved the right to extend or increase the guarantee level, a 3290 disclosure must be included to that effect.

32917. If required under applicable law, the developer shall3292also disclose the following matters for each component site:

3293 a. Any limitation upon annual increases in common3294 expenses;

3295 b. The existence of any bad debt or working capital3296 reserve; and

3297 c. The existence of any replacement or deferred3298 maintenance reserve.

(i) If there are any restrictions upon the sale, transfer, conveyance, or leasing of an interest in a multisite timeshare plan, a description of the restrictions together with a statement in conspicuous type in substantially the following form:

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3305 The sale, lease, or transfer of interests in this multisite 3306 timeshare plan is restricted or controlled.

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HB 0277 2004 3307 3308 The following statement in conspicuous type in (j) 3309 substantially the following form: 3310 The purchase of an interest in a multisite timeshare plan 3311 3312 (or multisite vacation ownership plan or multisite vacation plan 3313 or vacation club) should be based upon its value as a vacation experience or for spending leisure time, and not considered for 3314 3315 purposes of acquiring an appreciating investment or with an 3316 expectation that the interest may be resold. 3317 3318 If the multisite timeshare plan provides purchasers (k) 3319 with the opportunity to participate in an exchange program, a 3320 description of the name and address of the exchange company and 3321 the method by which a purchaser accesses the exchange program. 3322 In lieu of this requirement, the public offering statement text 3323 may contain a cross-reference to other provisions in the public 3324 offering statement or in an exhibit containing this information. 3325 A description of each component site, which (1) 3326 description may be disclosed in a written, graphic, tabular, or other form approved by the division. The description of each 3327 3328 component site shall include the following information: 3329 The name and address of each component site. 1. 3330 The number of accommodations, timeshare interests, and 2. timeshare periods, expressed in periods of 7-day use 3331 availability, committed to the multisite timeshare plan and 3332 3333 available for use by purchasers. Each type of accommodation in terms of the number of 3334 3. 3335 bedrooms, bathrooms, sleeping capacity, and whether or not the Page 115 of 129

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3336 accommodation contains a full kitchen. For purposes of this
3337 description, a full kitchen shall mean a kitchen having a
3338 minimum of a dishwasher, range, sink, oven, and refrigerator.

3339 4. A description of facilities available for use by the3340 purchaser at each component site, including the following:

a. The intended use of the facility, if not apparent fromthe description.

3343 b. Any user fees associated with a purchaser's use of the3344 facility.

3345 5. A cross-reference to the location in the public
3346 offering statement of the description of any priority
3347 reservation features which may affect a purchaser's ability to
3348 obtain a reservation in the component site.

3349 (5) Such other information as the division determines is 3350 necessary to fairly, meaningfully, and effectively disclose all 3351 aspects of the multisite timeshare plan, including, but not 3352 limited to, any disclosures made necessary by the operation of 3353 s. 721.03(8). However, if a developer has, in good faith, 3354 attempted to comply with the requirements of this section, and 3355 if, in fact, the developer has substantially complied with the 3356 disclosure requirements of this chapter, nonmaterial errors or omissions shall not be actionable. 3357

3358 (6) Any other information that the developer, with the
3359 approval of the division, desires to include in the public
3360 offering statement text.

3361 (7) The following documents shall be included as exhibits 3362 to the <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement, if 3363 applicable:

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(a) The timeshare instrument.

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3365	(b) The reservation system rules and regulations.
3366	(c) The multisite timeshare plan budget pursuant to
3367	subparagraph (4)(h)5.
3368	(d) Any document containing the material rules and
3369	regulations described in paragraph (4)(e).
3370	(e) Any contract, agreement, or other document through
3371	which component sites are affiliated with the multisite
3372	timeshare plan.
3373	(f) Any escrow agreement required pursuant to s. 721.08 or
3374	s. 721.56(3).
3375	(g) The form agreement for sale or lease of an interest in
3376	the multisite timeshare plan.
3377	(h) The form receipt for multisite timeshare plan
3378	documents required to be given to the purchaser pursuant to s.
3379	721.551(2)(b).
3380	(i) The description of documents list required to be given
3381	to the purchaser by s. 721.551(2)(b).
3382	(j) The component site managing entity affidavit or
3383	statement required by s. 721.56(1).
3384	(k) Any subordination instrument required by s. 721.53.
3385	(1)1. If the multisite timeshare plan contains any
3386	component sites located in this state, the information required
3387	by s. 721.07(5) pertaining to each such component site unless
3388	exempt pursuant to s. 721.03.
3389	2. If the purchaser will receive a timeshare estate
3390	pursuant to s. 721.57 <u>,</u> or <u>an interest in</u> a specific <u>multisite</u>
3391	timeshare <u>plan,</u> license as defined in s. 721.552(4) in a
3392	component site located outside of this state but which is
3393	offered in this state, the information required by s. 721.07(5)
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3394 pertaining to that component site <u>,</u> provided, however, that the 3395 provisions of s. 721.07(5)(u) shall only require disclosure of 3396 information related to the estimated budget for the timeshare 3397 plan and purchaser's expenses as required by the jurisdiction in 3398 which the component site is located.

3399 (8)(a) A timeshare plan containing only one component site 3400 must be filed with the division as a multisite timeshare plan if 3401 the timeshare instrument reserves the right for the developer to 3402 add future component sites. However, if the developer fails to 3403 add at least one additional component site to a timeshare plan 3404 described in this paragraph within 3 years after the date the 3405 plan is initially filed with the division, the multisite filing 3406 for such plan shall thereupon terminate, and the developer may 3407 not thereafter offer any further interests in such plan unless 3408 and until he or she refiles such plan with the division pursuant 3409 to this chapter.

3410 (b) The public offering statement for any timeshare plan 3411 described in paragraph (a) must include the following disclosure 3412 in conspicuous type:

This timeshare plan has been filed as a multisite timeshare plan (or multisite vacation ownership plan or multisite vacation plan or vacation club); however, this plan currently contains only one component site. The developer is not required to add any additional component sites to the plan. Do not purchase an interest in this plan in reliance upon the addition of any other component sites.

3421 Section 26. Paragraphs (b), (c), and (f) of subsection (2) 3422 of section 721.551, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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HB 0277 3423 721.551 Delivery of multisite timeshare plan purchaser 3424 public offering statement.--

3425 (2) The developer shall furnish each purchaser with the 3426 following:

(b) A receipt for multisite timeshare plan documents and a
list describing any exhibit to the <u>filed registered</u> public
offering statement which is not delivered to the purchaser. The
division is authorized to prescribe by rule the form of the
receipt for multisite timeshare plan documents and the
description of exhibits list that must be furnished to the
purchaser pursuant to this section.

3434 If the purchaser will receive a timeshare estate (C) 3435 pursuant to s. 721.57, or an interest in a specific multisite 3436 timeshare plan, license as defined in s. 721.552(4) in a 3437 component site located in this state, the developer shall also 3438 furnish the purchaser with the information required to be 3439 delivered pursuant to s. 721.07(6)(a) and (b) for the component 3440 site in which the purchaser will receive an estate or interest in a specific multisite timeshare plan license. 3441

(f) The developer shall be required to provide the managing entity of the multisite timeshare plan with a copy of the approved <u>filed</u> registered public offering statement and any approved amendments thereto to be maintained by the managing entity as part of the books and records of the timeshare plan pursuant to s. 721.13(3)(d).

3448 Section 27. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2), paragraph (c) 3449 of subsection (3), and subsections (4) and (5) of section 3450 721.552, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 3451 721.552 Additions, substitutions, or deletions of

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3452 component site accommodations or facilities; purchaser remedies 3453 for violations.--Additions, substitutions, or deletions of 3454 component site accommodations or facilities may be made only in 3455 accordance with the following:

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(2) SUBSTITUTIONS.--

(a) Substitutions are available only for nonspecific
3457 (a) Substitutions are available only for nonspecific
3458 <u>multisite</u> timeshare license plans as defined in subsection (4).
3459 Specific <u>multisite</u> timeshare license plans <u>or</u> as defined in
3460 subsection (4) and plans offering timeshare estates pursuant to
3461 s. 721.57 may not contain an accommodation substitution right.

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(3) DELETIONS.--

3463 (C) Automatic deletion .-- The timeshare instrument may 3464 provide that a component site will be automatically deleted upon 3465 the expiration of its term in a timeshare plan other than a 3466 nonspecific multisite timeshare license plan or as otherwise 3467 provided in the timeshare instrument. However, the timeshare 3468 instrument must also provide that in the event a component site 3469 is deleted from the plan in this manner, a sufficient number of 3470 purchasers of the plan will also be deleted so as to maintain no 3471 greater than a one-to-one purchaser to accommodation ratio.

3472 (4) SPECIFIC AND NONSPECIFIC TIMESHARE LICENSES.--For 3473 purposes of this chapter, a specific timeshare license means one 3474 with respect to which a purchaser receives a specific right to 3475 use accommodations and facilities, if any, at one component site 3476 of a multisite timeshare plan, together with use rights in the other accommodations and facilities of the multisite timeshare 3477 3478 plan created by or acquired through the reservation system. For 3479 purposes of this chapter, a nonspecific timeshare license means 3480 one with respect to which a purchaser receives a right to use

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HB 0277 2004 3481 all of the accommodations and facilities, if any, of a multisite 3482 timeshare plan through the reservation system, but no specific 3483 right to use any particular accommodations and facilities for 3484 the remaining term of the multisite timeshare plan in the event that the reservation system is terminated for any reason prior 3485 3486 to the expiration of the term of the multisite timeshare plan. 3487 (4)(5) VIOLATIONS; PURCHASER REMEDIES.--All purchaser 3488 remedies pursuant to s. 721.21 shall be available for any 3489 violation of the provisions of this section. Section 28. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 721.56, 3490 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 3491 3492 721.56 Management of multisite timeshare plans; 3493 reservation systems; demand balancing. --3494 The managing entity of a multisite timeshare plan (4) 3495 shall comply fully with the requirements of s. 721.13, subject 3496 to the provisions of s. 721.13(11) for personal property 3497 timeshare plans; however, with respect to a given component 3498 site, the managing entity of the multisite timeshare plan shall 3499 not be responsible for compliance as the managing entity of that 3500 component site unless the managing entity of the multisite 3501 timeshare plan is also the managing entity of that component site. Unless the timeshare instrument provides otherwise, the 3502 3503 operator of the reservation system is the managing entity of a 3504 multisite timeshare plan. 3505 The reservation system is a facility of any (5)(a)1. 3506 nonspecific timeshare license multisite timeshare plan as 3507 defined in s. 721.552(4). The reservation system is not a 3508 facility of any specific timeshare license multisite timeshare

3509 plan as defined in s. 721.552(4), nor is it a facility of any

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HB 0277 2004 3510 multisite timeshare plan in which timeshare estates are offered 3511 pursuant to s. 721.57.

3512 2. The reservation system of any multisite timeshare plan 3513 shall include any computer software and hardware employed for 3514 the purpose of enabling or facilitating the operation of the 3515 reservation system. Nothing contained in this part shall 3516 preclude a manager or management firm that is serving as 3517 managing entity of a multisite timeshare plan from providing in 3518 its contract with the purchasers or owners' association of the 3519 multisite timeshare plan or in the timeshare instrument that the 3520 manager or management firm owns the reservation system and that 3521 the managing entity shall continue to own the reservation system 3522 in the event the purchasers discharge the managing entity 3523 pursuant to s. 721.14.

3524 (b) In the event of a termination of a managing entity of 3525 a nonspecific license multisite timeshare plan as defined in s. 3526 721.552(4), which managing entity owns the reservation system, 3527 irrespective of whether the termination is voluntary or 3528 involuntary and irrespective of the cause of such termination, 3529 in addition to any other remedies available to purchasers in 3530 this part, the terminated managing entity shall, prior to such termination, establish a trust meeting the criteria set forth in 3531 3532 this paragraph. It is the intent of the Legislature that this 3533 trust arrangement provide for an adequate period of continued 3534 operation of the reservation system of the multisite timeshare plan, during which period the new managing entity shall make 3535 3536 provision for the acquisition of a substitute reservation 3537 system.

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1. The trust shall be established with an independent

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3539 trustee. Both the terminated managing entity and the new 3540 managing entity shall attempt to agree on an acceptable trustee. 3541 In the event they cannot agree on an acceptable trustee, they 3542 shall each designate a nominee, and the two nominees shall 3543 select the trustee.

3544 2. The terminated managing entity shall take all steps 3545 necessary to enable the trustee or the trustee's designee to operate the reservation system in the same manner as provided in 3546 3547 the timeshare instrument and the public offering statement. The 3548 trustee may, but shall not be required to, contract with the 3549 terminated managing entity for the continued operation of the 3550 reservation system. In the event the trustee elects to contract 3551 with the terminated managing entity, that managing entity shall 3552 be required to operate the reservation system and shall be 3553 entitled to payment for that service. The payment shall in no 3554 event exceed the amount previously paid to the terminated 3555 managing entity for operation of the reservation system.

3556 3. The trust shall remain in effect for a period of no 3557 longer than 1 year following the date of termination of the 3558 managing entity.

4. Nothing contained in this subsection shall abrogate or otherwise interfere with any proprietary rights in the reservation system that have been reserved by the discharged managing entity, in its management contract or otherwise, so long as such proprietary rights are not asserted in a manner that would prevent the continued operation of the reservation system as contemplated in this subsection.

3566 (c) In the event of a termination of a managing entity of 3567 a timeshare estate or specific license multisite timeshare plan

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3568 as defined in s. 721.552(4), which managing entity owns the 3569 reservation system, irrespective of whether the termination is voluntary or involuntary and irrespective of the cause of such 3570 3571 termination, in addition to any other remedies available to 3572 purchasers in this part, the terminated managing entity shall, 3573 prior to such termination, promptly transfer to each component 3574 site managing entity all relevant data contained in the 3575 reservation system with respect to that component site, 3576 including, but not limited to:

3577 1. The names, addresses, and reservation status of3578 component site accommodations.

3579 2. The names and addresses of all purchasers of timeshare3580 interests at that component site.

3581 3. All outstanding confirmed reservations and reservation 3582 requests for that component site.

4. Such other component site records and information as are necessary, in the reasonable discretion of the component site managing entity, to permit the uninterrupted operation and administration of the component site, provided that a given component site managing entity shall not be entitled to any information regarding other component sites or regarding the terminated multisite timeshare plan managing entity.

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All reasonable costs incurred by the terminated managing entity in effecting the transfer of information required by this paragraph shall be reimbursed to the terminated managing entity on a pro rata basis by each component site, and the amount of such reimbursement shall constitute a common expense of each component site.

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HB 0277 3597 Section 29. Subsection (2) of section 721.57, Florida 3598 Statutes, is amended to read:

3599 721.57 Offering of timeshare estates in multisite 3600 timeshare plans; required provisions in the timeshare 3601 instrument.--

3602 (2) The timeshare instrument of a multisite timeshare plan
3603 in which timeshare estates are offered, other than a trust
3604 meeting the requirements of s. 721.08, must contain or provide
3605 for all of the following matters:

(a) The purchaser will receive a timeshare estate as defined in s. 721.05 in one of the component sites of the multisite timeshare plan. The use rights in the other component sites of the multisite timeshare plan shall be made available to the purchaser through the reservation system pursuant to the timeshare instrument.

(b) In the event that the reservation system is terminated or otherwise becomes unavailable for any reason prior to the expiration of the term of the multisite timeshare plan:

3615 1. The purchaser will be able to continue to use the 3616 accommodations and facilities of the component site in which she 3617 or he has been conveyed a timeshare estate in the manner 3618 described in the timeshare instrument for the remaining term of 3619 the timeshare estate; and

3620 2. Any use rights in that component site which had 3621 previously been made available through the reservation system to 3622 purchasers of the multisite timeshare plan who were not offered 3623 a timeshare estate at that component site will terminate when 3624 the reservation system is terminated or otherwise becomes 3625 unavailable for any reason.

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HB 0277 3626 Section 30. Subsection (6) of section 721.84, Florida 3627 Statutes, is amended to read:

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721.84 Appointment of a registered agent; duties.--(6) Unless otherwise provided in this section, a registered agent in receipt of any notice or other document addressed from the lienholder to the obligor in care of the registered agent at the registered office must mail, by first class mail if the obligor's address is within the United States,

and by international air mail if the obligor's address is outside the United States, with postage fees prepaid, such notice or documents to the obligor at the obligor's last designated address within 5 days <u>after</u> of receipt.

3638 Section 31. Section 721.96, Florida Statutes, is amended 3639 to read:

Purpose.--The purpose of this part is to provide 3640 721.96 3641 for the appointment of commissioners of deeds to take 3642 acknowledgments, proofs of execution, and oaths outside the 3643 United States in connection with the execution of any deed, 3644 mortgage, deed of trust, contract, power of attorney, or any 3645 other agreement, instrument or writing concerning, relating to, or to be used or recorded in connection with a timeshare estate, 3646 personal property timeshare interest, timeshare license, any 3647 3648 property subject to a timeshare plan, or the operation of a timeshare plan located within this state. 3649

3650 Section 32. Subsection (1) of section 721.97, Florida 3651 Statutes, is amended to read:

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721.97 Timeshare commissioner of deeds.--

3653 (1) The Governor may appoint commissioners of deeds to3654 take acknowledgments, proofs of execution, or oaths in any

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HB 0277 2004 3655 foreign country. The term of office is 4 years. Commissioners of 3656 deeds shall have authority to take acknowledgments, proofs of 3657 execution, and oaths in connection with the execution of any 3658 deed, mortgage, deed of trust, contract, power of attorney, or 3659 any other writing to be used or recorded in connection with a 3660 timeshare estate, personal property timeshare interest, 3661 timeshare license, any property subject to a timeshare plan, or 3662 the operation of a timeshare plan located within this state; 3663 provided such instrument or writing is executed outside the 3664 United States. Such acknowledgments, proofs of execution, and 3665 oaths must be taken or made in the manner directed by the laws 3666 of this state, including but not limited to s. 117.05(4), 3667 (5)(a), and (6), Florida Statutes 1997, and certified by a 3668 commissioner of deeds. The certification must be endorsed on or 3669 annexed to the instrument or writing aforesaid and has the same 3670 effect as if made or taken by a notary public licensed in this 3671 state.

3672 Section 33. Paragraph (b) of subsection (8) of section3673 475.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

3674 475.011 Exemptions.--This part does not apply to: 3675 (8)

(b) An exchange company, as that term is defined by s.
721.05(15)(14), but only to the extent that the exchange company
is engaged in exchange program activities as described in and is
in compliance with s. 721.18.

3680 Section 34. Subsection (23) of section 718.103, Florida 3681 Statutes, is amended to read:

3682718.103 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, the term:3683(23) "Residential condominium" means a condominium

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HB 0277 2004 3684 consisting of two or more units, any of which are intended for 3685 use as a private temporary or permanent residence, except that a condominium is not a residential condominium if the use for 3686 3687 which the units are intended is primarily commercial or 3688 industrial and not more than three units are intended to be used for private residence, and are intended to be used as housing 3689 3690 for maintenance, managerial, janitorial, or other operational 3691 staff of the condominium. With respect to a condominium that is not a timeshare condominium, a residential unit includes a unit 3692 3693 intended as a private temporary or permanent residence as well 3694 as a unit not intended for commercial or industrial use. With 3695 respect to a timeshare condominium, the timeshare instrument as 3696 defined in s. 721.05(35)(33) shall govern the intended use of 3697 each unit in the condominium. If a condominium is a residential 3698 condominium but contains units intended to be used for 3699 commercial or industrial purposes, then, with respect to those 3700 units which are not intended for or used as private residences, 3701 the condominium is not a residential condominium. A condominium 3702 which contains both commercial and residential units is a mixed-3703 use condominium and is subject to the requirements of s. 3704 718.404.

3705 Section 35. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 3706 law; however, with respect to any timeshare plan or exchange program filing approved by the division prior to the date this 3707 3708 act becomes a law, the amendments to s. 721.06(1)(g)2., s. 721.07(2)(d)1. and (5)(e)4., s. 721.075(2)(e), or s. 3709 3710 721.18(1)(1) and (m), Florida Statutes, shall not apply to such 3711 filing until the earlier of January 1, 2004, or the date that any amendments to such filing are made subsequent to the date 3712

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HB 0277 2004 3713 this act becomes a law. With respect to any timeshare plan 3714 filing approved by the division prior to the date this act 3715 becomes a law, the amendment to s. 721.08(3)(a), Florida 3716 Statutes, shall not apply to the nondisturbance and notice to 3717 creditors instrument required by s. 721.08, Florida Statutes, 3718 unless and only to the extent that the developer otherwise 3719 voluntarily complies with all or a portion of such provisions. 3720

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