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1 Representative Skidmore offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 278 and 279, insert:

5 Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 718.5012, Florida  
6 Statutes, is amended, to read:

7 718.5012 Ombudsman; powers and duties.--The ombudsman  
8 shall have the powers that are necessary to carry out the duties  
9 of his or her office, including the following specific powers:

10 (4) To act as liaison between the division, unit owners,  
11 boards of directors, board members, community association  
12 managers, and other affected parties. The ombudsman shall  
13 develop policies and procedures to assist unit owners, boards of  
14 directors, board members, community association managers, and  
15 other affected parties to understand their rights and  
16 responsibilities as set forth in this chapter and the

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17 condominium documents governing their respective association.  
18 The ombudsman shall coordinate and assist in the preparation and  
19 adoption of educational and reference material, and shall  
20 endeavor to coordinate with private or volunteer providers of  
21 these services, so that the availability of these resources is  
22 made known to the largest possible audience. Included in the  
23 preparation and adoption of educational and reference materials  
24 shall be the publishing and updating of a "Florida Condominium  
25 Handbook" to facilitate understanding of chapter 718, the  
26 contents of which are stated in a clear, conspicuous, and easily  
27 understandable manner. The handbook shall be made publicly  
28 available on the ombudsman's Internet website.

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**T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T**

Between lines 14 and 15, insert:

32 amending s. 718.5012, F.S.; providing a responsibility of the  
33 ombudsman to prepare and adopt a "Florida Condominium Handbook";  
34 providing the purpose of the handbook; requiring the handbook to  
35 be published on the ombudsman's Internet website;  
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