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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representatives Skidmore and Ambler offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 488 and 489, insert:

5 Section 5. 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. In conjunction with
23 the division, included in the preparation and adoption of
24 educational and reference materials shall be the publishing and
25 updating of a "Florida Condominium Handbook" to facilitate
26 understanding of chapter 718, the contents of which are stated
27 in a clear, conspicuous, and easily understandable manner. The
28 handbook shall be made publicly available on the ombudsman's
29 Internet website.

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32 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

33 Remove line 23 and insert:

34 revising provisions relating to levy of fines; amending s.
35 718.5012, F.S.; providing a responsibility of the ombudsman to
36 prepare and adopt a "Florida Condominium Handbook"; requiring
37 the publishing and updating of the handbook to be done in
38 conjunction with the Division of Florida Condominiums,
39 Timeshares, and Mobile Homes; providing the purpose of the
40 handbook; requiring the handbook to be published on the
41 ombudsman's Internet website; amending s.

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