

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Judiciary (Fasano) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (397448) (with title amendment)

Between lines 1412 and 1413

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Section 20. Section 723.071, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

723.071 Sale of mobile home parks.-

9 (1) (a) If a mobile home park owner <u>intends to offer</u> offers 10 a mobile home park for sale, <u>or if a mobile home park owner</u> 11 <u>receives a bona fide offer to purchase the park which she or he</u> 12 <u>intends to consider or make a counteroffer to</u>, she or he shall

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notify, by certified mail, the officers of the homeowners' association created pursuant to ss. 723.075-723.079, and the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, of the offer, or of her or his intent to offer, stating the price and the terms and conditions of sale, if the requirements of the homeowners' offer to purchase as set forth in subsection (2) have been met by the homeowners' association.

(b) The mobile home owners, by and through the association 20 21 defined in s. 723.075, shall have the right to purchase the 22 park, and the mobile home park owner is obligated to sell to the 23 home owners, provided the home owners meet the price and terms 24 and conditions of the mobile home park owner by executing a 25 contract with the park owner within 45 days, unless agreed to 26 otherwise, from the date of mailing of the notice and provided they have complied with ss. 723.075-723.079. If a contract 27 28 between the park owner and the association is not executed 29 within such 45-day period, then, unless the park owner thereafter elects to offer the park at a price lower than the 30 price specified in her or his notice to the officers of the 31 32 homeowners' association, the park owner has no further 33 obligations under this subsection, and her or his only 34 obligation shall be as set forth in subsection (2).

35 (c) If the park owner thereafter elects to offer the park 36 at a price lower <u>or higher</u> than the price specified in her or 37 his notice to the home owners, the home owners, by and through 38 the association, will have an additional <u>21</u> 10 days to meet the 39 price and terms and conditions of the park owner by executing a 40 contract. <u>The homeowners, by and through the association, shall</u> 41 <u>have 21 days to meet the price and terms and conditions of a</u>



42 counteroffer.

43 (2) If the mobile home owners, by and through the 44 association, have informed the mobile home park owner that they 45 are ready and willing to purchase the park, the park owner shall comply with the provisions of subsection (1). The expression of 46 47 readiness and willingness to purchase the park must be renewed annually by certified mail to the park owner and must include 48 49 information about the number of homeowners concurring; the date, 50 time, and place of the homeowners' association meeting 51 authorizing the notice to be sent; and information concerning 52 the ability of the homeowners to purchase the park using the 53 income approach method to estimate the property value. If the homeowners' association has not substantially complied with this 54 55 requirement, the park owner has no obligation to comply with the provisions of subsection (1). If a mobile home park owner 56 57 receives a bona fide offer to purchase the park that she or he 58 intends to consider or make a counteroffer to, the park owner's only obligation shall be to notify the officers of the 59 60 homeowners' association that she or he has received an offer and disclose the price and material terms and conditions upon which 61 she or he would consider selling the park and consider any offer 62 63 made by the home owners, provided the home owners have complied with ss. 723.075-723.079. The park owner shall be under no 64 65 obligation to sell to the home owners or to interrupt or delay other negotiations and shall be free at any time to execute a 66 67 contract for the sale of the park to a party or parties other 68 than the home owners or the association. 69 (3) (a) As used in subsections (1) and (2), the term 70 "notify" means the placing of a notice in the United States mail

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71 addressed to the officers of the homeowners' association. Each such notice shall be deemed to have been given upon the deposit 72 73 of the notice in the United States mail. 74 (b) As used in subsection (1), the term "offer" means any 75 solicitation by the park owner to the general public. 76 (3) (4) This section does not apply to: 77 (a) Any sale or transfer to a person who would be included 78 within the table of descent and distribution if the park owner 79 were to die intestate. 80 (b) Any transfer by gift, devise, or operation of law. 81 (c) Any transfer by a corporation to an affiliate. As used 82 herein, the term "affiliate" means any shareholder of the transferring corporation; any corporation or entity owned or 83 84 controlled, directly or indirectly, by the transferring corporation; or any other corporation or entity owned or 85 86 controlled, directly or indirectly, by any shareholder of the 87 transferring corporation. (d) Any transfer by a partnership to any of its partners. 88 89 (e) Any conveyance of an interest in a mobile home park incidental to the financing of such mobile home park. 90 91 (f) Any conveyance resulting from the foreclosure of a 92 mortgage, deed of trust, or other instrument encumbering a mobile home park or any deed given in lieu of such foreclosure. 93 94 (g) Any sale or transfer between or among joint tenants or 95 tenants in common owning a mobile home park.

96 (h) Any exchange of a mobile home park for other real
97 property, whether or not such exchange also involves the payment
98 of cash or other boot.

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(i) The purchase of a mobile home park by a governmental

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entity under its powers of eminent domain.		
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And the title is amended as follows:		
Delete line 1579		
and insert:		
developer unless certain conditions are met; amending s.		
723.071, F.S.; revising notice requirements relating to the sale		
of mobile home parks; revising provisions relating to a		
homeowners' association's right to purchase the mobile home		
park; providing requirements for the purchase of the park by a		
homeowners' association; requiring that a park owner comply with		
certain provisions of state law if the mobile home owners have		
informed the park owner that they are ready and willing to		
purchase the park; providing that the park owner has no		
obligation to comply with such provisions under certain		
circumstances; providing requirements for the homeowners'		
expression of readiness and willingness to purchase the park;		
deleting definitions to conform to changes made by the act;		
providing		