

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	___	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	___	(Y/N)
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OTHER	_____	

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Local, Federal & Veterans  
2 Affairs Subcommittee

3 Representative Latvala offered the following:  
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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 28 and 29, insert:

7 Section 1. Section 83.683, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
8 read:

9 83.683 Rental application by a servicemember.—

10 (1) If a landlord requires a prospective tenant to  
11 complete a rental application before residing in a rental unit,  
12 the landlord must complete processing of a rental application  
13 submitted by a prospective tenant who is a servicemember, as  
14 defined in s. 250.01, within 7 days after submission and must,  
15 within that 7-day period, notify the servicemember in writing of  
16 an application approval or denial and, if denied, the reason for

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17 | denial. If the landlord requires the servicemember's spouse or  
18 | any adult dependents of the servicemember who are to reside in  
19 | the same rental unit to submit a rental application, the  
20 | landlord must process those applications within the same 7-day  
21 | period. Absent a timely denial of the rental application, the  
22 | landlord must lease the rental unit to the servicemember if all  
23 | other terms of the application and lease are complied with.

24 | (2) If a condominium association, as defined in chapter  
25 | 718, a cooperative association, as defined in chapter 719, or a  
26 | homeowners' association, as defined in chapter 720, requires a  
27 | prospective tenant of a condominium unit, cooperative unit, or  
28 | parcel within the association's control to complete a rental  
29 | application before residing in a rental unit or parcel, the  
30 | association must complete processing of a rental application  
31 | submitted by a prospective tenant who is a servicemember, as  
32 | defined in s. 250.01, within 7 days after submission and must,  
33 | within that 7-day period, notify the servicemember in writing of  
34 | an application approval or denial and, if denied, the reason for  
35 | denial. If the association requires the servicemember's spouse  
36 | or any adult dependents of the servicemember who are to reside  
37 | in the same unit or parcel to submit a rental application, the  
38 | association must process those applications within the same 7-  
39 | day period. Absent a timely denial of the rental application,  
40 | the association must allow the unit or parcel owner to lease the  
41 | rental unit or parcel to the servicemember and the landlord must

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42 | lease the rental unit or parcel to the servicemember if all  
43 | other terms of the application and lease are complied with.

44 |       (3) The provisions of this section may not be waived or  
45 | modified by the agreement of the parties under any  
46 | circumstances.

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51 |       Between lines 2 and 3, insert:

52 | amending s. 83.683, F.S.; requiring landlords, condominium  
53 | associations, cooperative associations, and homeowners'  
54 | associations that require a servicemember's spouse or certain  
55 | adult dependents to submit a rental application to complete the  
56 | processing of the application within a specified timeframe;