1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the management and safety of
3	condominium and cooperative buildings; amending s.
4	468.4334, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which
5	community association managers or management firms
6	must comply with a specified provision; amending s.
7	553.899, F.S.; revising legislative findings; revising
8	the definition of the terms "milestone inspection" and
9	"substantial structural deterioration"; revising which
10	buildings must have milestone inspections performed;
11	revising the deadline for milestone inspections of
12	certain buildings; authorizing local enforcement
13	agencies to extend deadlines for milestone inspections
14	under certain circumstances; authorizing local
15	enforcement agencies to accept certain inspection
16	reports in lieu of a milestone inspection report under
17	certain circumstances; specifying when certain
18	buildings must have a subsequent milestone inspection;
19	revising who has responsibility for arranging and
20	completing milestone inspections; specifying that
21	certain expenses may be recovered from certain owners;
22	revising requirements relating to written notice of
23	required inspections; requiring licensed architects or
24	engineers who perform milestone inspections to submit
25	a specified progress report to a local enforcement
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26 agency within a specified timeframe under certain 27 circumstances; specifying that associations must 28 distribute copies of certain summaries of an 29 inspection report within a specified timeframe and in a specified manner; authorizing municipal governing 30 31 bodies to adopt certain ordinances relating to 32 association repairs; requiring the Florida Building 33 Commission to adopt rules to establish a certain 34 program by a specified date; providing requirements for such program; conforming provisions to changes 35 36 made by the act; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the purchase of flood 37 38 insurance as a condition for maintaining certain 39 policies issued by the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; amending s. 718.103, F.S.; defining the 40 41 term "alternative funding method"; revising the 42 definition of the term "structural integrity reserve 43 study"; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; revising rights 44 relating to the official records of a condominium association;; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; revising 45 46 requirements relating to budget meetings; revising 47 condominium association reserve account requirements; 48 revising requirements relating to waiving reserve 49 requirements or providing less reserves than required by law; revising requirements relating to using 50

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51	reserve funds or interest accrued on reserve funds for
52	certain purposes; revising requirements for structural
53	integrity reserve studies and mandatory milestone
54	inspections; providing applicability; conforming
55	provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
56	718.1255, F.S.; revising the definition of the term
57	"dispute"; specifying that certain disputes are not
58	subject to nonbinding arbitration and must be
59	submitted to presuit mediation; amending s. 718.113,
60	F.S.; revising requirements relating to the
61	maintenance, repair, and replacement of common
62	elements and condominium property; amending s.
63	718.301, F.S.; revising items that developers are
64	required to deliver to an association upon
65	relinquishing control of the association; amending s.
66	718.503, F.S.; revising the documents developers are
67	required to provide to prospective buyers or lessees;
68	revising the documents that prospective purchasers are
69	entitled to when purchasing a condominium unit from a
70	unit owner; requiring specified disclosures relating
71	to milestone inspections, turnover inspection reports,
72	and structural integrity reserve studies for certain
73	contracts entered into after a specified date;
74	amending s. 718.504, F.S.; revising requirements for
75	prospectuses and offering circulars; amending s.

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76	719.103, F.S.; revising the definition of the term
77	"structural integrity reserve study"; amending s.
78	719.104, F.S.; revising rights relating to the
79	official records of a cooperative association;
80	providing maintenance requirements for cooperative
81	associations; providing requirements relating to the
82	maintenance, repair, and replacement of common
83	elements and cooperative property; amending s.
84	719.106, F.S.; revising requirements relating to
85	budget procedures; revising cooperative association
86	reserve account requirements; revising requirements
87	relating to waiving reserve requirements or providing
88	less reserves than required by law; revising a
89	prohibition on using reserve funds or interest accrued
90	on reserve funds for certain purposes; revising
91	requirements for structural integrity reserve studies
92	and mandatory milestone inspections; providing
93	applicability; conforming provisions to changes made
94	by the act; amending s. 719.301, F.S.; revising items
95	that developers are required to deliver to an
96	association upon relinquishing control of the
97	association; amending s. 719.503, F.S.; revising the
98	types of documents developers are required to provide
99	to prospective buyers and lessees; revising the
100	documents that a prospective purchaser is entitled to

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101	when purchasing an interest in a cooperative from a
102	unit owner; requiring specified disclosures relating
103	to milestone inspections, turnover inspection reports,
104	and structural integrity reserve studies for certain
105	contracts entered into after a specified date;
106	amending s. 719.504, F.S.; revising requirements for
107	prospectuses and offering circulars; amending ss.
108	558.002, 718.116, and 720.3085, F.S.; conforming
109	cross-references; reenacting s. 719.1255, F.S.,
110	relating to alternative resolution of disputes, to
111	incorporate amendments made to s. 718.1255, F.S., in a
112	reference thereto; reenacting ss. 718.501(1)(f) and
113	719.501(1)(f), F.S., relating to the rulemaking
114	authority of the Division of Florida Condominiums,
115	Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of
116	Business and Professional Regulation; providing
117	appropriations and positions; providing effective
118	dates.
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120	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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122	Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
123	468.4334, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
124	468.4334 Professional practice standards; liability
125	(1)

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126 If a community association manager or a community (b) 127 association management firm has a contract with a community 128 association that has a building on the association's property 129 that is subject to s. 553.899, the community association manager 130 or the community association management firm must comply with 131 that section as directed by the board. 132 Section 2. Subsections (1) through (6), paragraph (b) of subsection (7), and subsections (8), (9), (11), and (12) of 133 134 section 553.899, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 135 553.899 Mandatory structural inspections for condominium 136 and cooperative buildings.-The Legislature finds that maintaining the structural 137 (1)138 integrity of a building throughout the its service life of the 139 building is of paramount importance in order to ensure that 140 buildings are structurally sound so as to not pose a threat to 141 the public health, safety, or welfare. As such, the Legislature 142 finds that the imposition of a statewide structural inspection 143 program for aging condominium and cooperative buildings in this state is necessary to ensure that such buildings are safe for 144 145 continued use. 146 (2) As used in this section, the terms: "Milestone inspection" means a structural inspection 147 (a) 148 of a building, including an inspection of load-bearing elements 149 walls and the primary structural members and primary structural systems as those terms are defined in s. 627.706, by an $\frac{1}{2}$ 150

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151 licensed architect licensed under chapter 481 or an engineer 152 licensed under chapter 471 and authorized to practice in this 153 state for the purposes of attesting to the life safety and 154 adequacy of the structural components of the building and, to 155 the extent reasonably possible, determining the general 156 structural condition of the building as it affects the safety of 157 such building, including a determination of any necessary 158 maintenance, repair, or replacement of any structural component 159 of the building. The purpose of such inspection is not to 160 determine if the condition of an existing building is in compliance with the Florida Building Code or the firesafety 161 code. Milestone inspection services may be provided by a team of 162 professionals with a licensed architect or engineer acting as a 163 164 registered design professional who is responsible for all work 165 and reports signed and sealed by the appropriate qualified team 166 member.

167 "Substantial structural deterioration" means (b) 168 substantial structural distress or substantial structural 169 weakness that negatively affects a building's general structural 170 condition and integrity. The term does not include surface imperfections such as cracks, distortion, sagging, deflections, 171 misalignment, signs of leakage, or peeling of finishes unless 172 173 the licensed engineer or architect performing the phase one or 174 phase two inspection determines that such surface imperfections are a sign of substantial structural deterioration. 175

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176	(3)(a) A building with one residential unit or more which
177	is three stories or more in height as determined by the Florida
178	Building Code and subject, in whole or in part, to the
179	condominium or cooperative form of ownership as a residential or
180	<u>mixed-use</u> a condominium association under chapter 718 <u>or</u> and a
181	residential cooperative association under chapter 719 must have
182	a milestone inspection performed for each building that is three
183	stories or more in height by December 31 of the year in which
184	the building reaches 25 30 years of age, based on the date the
185	certificate of occupancy for the building was issued, and every
186	10 years thereafter. If a building reaches 25 years of age
187	before July 1, 2022, the building's initial milestone inspection
188	must be performed before December 31, 2024. If a building
189	reaches 25 years of age on or after July 1, 2022, but before
190	December 31, 2024, the building's initial milestone inspection
191	must be performed before December 31, 2025. If the date of
192	issuance of a building's certificate of occupancy is not
193	available, the date of issuance shall be the date of occupancy
194	evidenced in any record of the local building official.
195	(b) The local enforcement agency may extend the deadline
196	for a building's initial milestone inspection upon a showing of
197	good cause by the association or owner of the building that the
198	association or owner has entered into a contract with a licensed
199	architect or engineer to perform the milestone inspection but
200	the inspection cannot reasonably be completed before the

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201 deadline or that other circumstances exist which justify an 202 extension. 203 (c) The local enforcement agency may accept an inspection 204 report prepared by a licensed engineer or architect for a 205 structural integrity and condition inspection of a building performed before July 1, 2022, if the inspection and inspection 206 207 report substantially comply with the requirements of this 208 section. Notwithstanding when such inspection was completed, the 209 condominium or cooperative association must comply with the unit 210 owner notice requirements in subsection (9). The inspection for 211 which an inspection report is accepted by the local enforcement 212 agency under this paragraph is deemed a milestone inspection for the applicable requirements in chapters 718 and 719. If a 213 214 previous inspection and inspection report is accepted by the 215 local enforcement agency under this paragraph, the deadline for 216 the building's subsequent 10-year milestone inspection is based 217 on the date of the previously accepted inspection report. 218 (4) The milestone inspection must be arranged and 219 completed by a condominium or cooperative association. If the 220 building is located within 3 miles of a coastline as defined in 221 s. 376.031, the condominium association or cooperative 222 association must have a milestone inspection performed by 223 December 31 of the year in which the building reaches 25 years 224 of age, based on the date the certificate of occupancy for the 225 building was issued, and every 10 years thereafter. The

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226 condominium association or cooperative association and the owner 227 of any portion of the building which is not subject to the 228 condominium or cooperative form of ownership are each must arrange for the milestone inspection to be performed and is 229 230 responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of 231 this section. The condominium association or cooperative 232 association is responsible for all costs associated with the 233 milestone inspection. However, expenses may be recovered for 234 such inspection from unit owners or other owners in accordance 235 with the general expense allocations of the documents governing 236 the property. This section subsection does not apply to a 237 single-family, two-family, or three-family dwelling with three 238 or fewer habitable stories above ground. 239 (4) If a milestone inspection is required under this 240 section and the building's certificate of occupancy was issued 241 on or before July 1, 1992, the building's initial milestone 242 inspection must be performed before December 31, 2024. If the 243 date of issuance for the certificate of occupancy is not 244 available, the date of issuance of the building's -certificate 245 occupancy shall be the date of occupancy evidenced in any record 246 of the local building official. 247

(5) Upon determining that a building must have a milestone
inspection, the local enforcement agency must provide written
notice of such required inspection to the condominium
association or cooperative association <u>and the owner of any</u>

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2.51 portion of the building which is not subject to the condominium 252 or cooperative form of ownership, as applicable, by certified 253 mail, return receipt requested. The condominium or cooperative 254 association must notify the unit owners of the required 255 milestone inspection and the date that the milestone inspection 256 must be completed within 14 days after receipt of the written 257 notice from the local enforcement agency. Such notice may be 258 provided by electronic submission to unit owners who consent to 259 receive notice by electronic submission or by posting the notice 260 on the association's website.

Phase one of the milestone inspection must be 261 (6) 262 completed within 180 days after the condominium association, cooperative association, or owner of the building receives 263 264 receiving the written notice under subsection (5), the 265 condominium association or cooperative association must complete 266 phase one of the milestone inspection. For purposes of this 267 section, completion of phase one of the milestone inspection 268 means the licensed engineer or architect who performed the phase 269 one inspection submitted the inspection report by e-mail, United 270 States Postal Service, or commercial delivery service to the 271 local enforcement agency.

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(7) A milestone inspection consists of two phases:

(b) A phase two of the milestone inspection must be performed if any substantial structural deterioration is identified during phase one. A phase two inspection may involve

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276 destructive or nondestructive testing at the inspector's 277 direction. The inspection may be as extensive or as limited as 278 necessary to fully assess areas of structural distress in order 279 to confirm that the building is structurally sound and safe for 280 its intended use and to recommend a program for fully assessing 281 and repairing distressed and damaged portions of the building. 282 When determining testing locations, the inspector must give 283 preference to locations that are the least disruptive and most 284 easily repairable while still being representative of the 285 structure. If a phase two inspection is required, the licensed architect or engineer performing the phase two inspection must, 286 287 within 180 days after submitting the phase one inspection 288 report, submit to the local enforcement agency a phase two 289 progress report that includes a timeline for completion of the 290 phase two inspection. An inspector who completes a phase two 291 milestone inspection shall prepare and submit an inspection 292 report pursuant to subsection (8).

293 (8) Upon completion of a phase one or phase two milestone 294 inspection, the licensed architect or engineer who performed the 295 inspection must submit a sealed copy of the inspection report 296 with a separate summary of, at minimum, the material findings 297 and recommendations in the inspection report to the condominium 298 association or cooperative association, the owner of any portion 299 of the building which is not subject to the condominium or cooperative form of ownership, and to the building official of 300

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301 the local government which has jurisdiction. The inspection 302 report must, at a minimum, meet all of the following criteria: 303 (a) Bear the seal and signature, or the electronic 304 signature, of the licensed engineer or architect who performed 305 the inspection. 306 Indicate the manner and type of inspection forming the (b) 307 basis for the inspection report. 308 Identify any substantial structural deterioration, (C) 309 within a reasonable professional probability based on the scope of the inspection, describe the extent of such deterioration, 310 and identify any recommended repairs for such deterioration. 311 312 State whether unsafe or dangerous conditions, as those (d) 313 terms are defined in the Florida Building Code, were observed. 314 Recommend any remedial or preventive repair for any (e) 315 items that are damaged but are not substantial structural 316 deterioration. 317 (f) Identify and describe any items requiring further 318 inspection. 319 Within 45 days after receiving the applicable (9) 320 inspection report, the condominium or cooperative association 321 must distribute a copy of the inspector-prepared summary of the 322 inspection report to each condominium unit owner or cooperative 323 unit owner, regardless of the findings or recommendations in the 324 report, by United States mail or personal delivery at the mailing address, property address, or any other address of the 325

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326 unit owner which is provided to fulfill the association's notice 327 requirements under chapter 718 or chapter 719, as applicable, 328 and by electronic transmission to unit owners who previously 329 consented to receive notice by electronic transmission using the 330 e-mail address or facsimile number of the unit owner which is 331 provided to fulfill the association's notice requirements; must 332 post a copy of the inspector-prepared summary in a conspicuous 333 place on the condominium or cooperative property; and must 334 publish the full report and inspector-prepared summary on the 335 association's website, if the association is required to have a 336 website.

337 A board of county commissioners or municipal (11)338 governing body may adopt an ordinance requiring that a 339 condominium or cooperative association and any other owner who 340 is subject to this section schedule or commence repairs for 341 substantial structural deterioration within a specified 342 timeframe after the local enforcement agency receives a phase 343 two inspection report; however, such repairs must be commenced 344 within 365 days after receiving such report. If an association 345 fails to submit proof to the local enforcement agency that 346 repairs have been scheduled or have commenced for substantial 347 structural deterioration identified in a phase two inspection 348 report within the required timeframe, the local enforcement 349 agency must review and determine if the building is unsafe for human occupancy. 350

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351	(12) By December 31, 2024, the Florida Building Commission
352	shall adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to
353	establish a building safety and inspection program for the
354	implementation of this section within the Florida Building Code:
355	Existing Building. The building safety and inspection program
356	must, at minimum, include inspection criteria, testing
357	protocols, standardized inspection and reporting forms that are
358	adaptable to an electronic format, and record maintenance
359	requirements for the local enforcement agency review the
360	milestone inspection requirements under this section and make
361	recommendations, if any, to the Legislature to ensure
362	inspections are sufficient to determine the structural integrity
363	of a building. The commission must provide a written report of
364	any recommendations to the Governor, the President of the
365	Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
366	December 31, 2022.
367	Section 3. Paragraph (aa) of subsection (6) of section
368	627.351, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
369	627.351 Insurance risk apportionment plans
370	(6) CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION
371	(aa) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the
372	corporation shall require the securing and maintaining of flood
373	insurance as a condition of coverage of a personal lines
374	residential risk. The insured or applicant must execute a form
375	approved by the office affirming that flood insurance is not
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376 provided by the corporation and that if flood insurance is not 377 secured by the applicant or insured from an insurer other than 378 the corporation and in addition to coverage by the corporation, the risk will not be eligible for coverage by the corporation. 379 380 The corporation may deny coverage of a personal lines 381 residential risk to an applicant or insured who refuses to 382 secure and maintain flood insurance. The requirement to purchase flood insurance shall be implemented as follows: 383 384 Except as provided in subparagraphs 2., and 3., and 4., 1. 385 all personal lines residential policyholders must have flood 386 coverage in place for policies effective on or after:

387 a. January 1, 2024, for property valued at \$600,000 or388 more.

389 b. January 1, 2025, for property valued at \$500,000 or 390 more.

391 c. January 1, 2026, for property valued at \$400,000 or 392 more.

393 d. January 1, 2027, for all other personal lines394 residential property insured by the corporation.

395 2. All personal lines residential policyholders whose 396 property insured by the corporation is located within the 397 special flood hazard area defined by the Federal Emergency 398 Management Agency must have flood coverage in place:

399 a. At the time of initial policy issuance for all new400 personal lines residential policies issued by the corporation on

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401 or after April 1, 2023. 402 By the time of the policy renewal for all personal b. 403 lines residential policies renewing on or after July 1, 2023. 404 Policyholders whose policies issued by the corporation 3. 405 do not provide coverage for the peril of wind are not required 406 to purchase flood insurance as a condition for maintaining their 407 policies with the corporation. 408 4. Effective on or after January 1, 2027, policyholders 409 whose policies issued by the corporation provide coverage under a condominium unit owners or condominium tenant form must 410 411 purchase flood insurance upon issuance or renewal of their 412 policies by the corporation, unless: a. The policyholder's unit is covered under a master flood 413 414 policy issued to someone other than the policyholder. 415 b. The policyholder resides in a condominium unit with 416 occupiable space that is not less than 40 feet above the grade

417 plane, as defined in the Florida Building Code. A unit located 418 on the fifth floor above the grade plane or higher is deemed to 419 be not less than 40 feet above the grade plane, as defined in the Florida Building Code. A unit owner or a condominium 420 association may submit a certification from an engineer licensed 421 under chapter 471, a surveyor and mapper licensed under chapter 422 423 472, or an architect licensed under chapter 481, detailing which 424 units in the condominium association are not less than 40 feet 425 above the grade plane, as defined in the Florida Building Code,

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426	and the corporation may rely on such certification.
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428	The flood insurance required under this paragraph must meet, at
429	a minimum, the coverage available from the National Flood
430	Insurance Program or the requirements of subparagraphs s.
431	627.715(1)(a)1., 2., and 3.
432	Section 4. Subsections (1) through (31) of section
433	718.103, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (2)
434	through (32), respectively, present subsection (25) of that
435	section is amended, and a new subsection (1) is added to that
436	section, to read:
437	718.103 DefinitionsAs used in this chapter, the term:
438	(1) "Alternative funding method" means a method approved
439	by the division for funding the capital expenditures and
440	deferred maintenance obligations for a multicondominium
441	association operating at least 25 condominiums which may
442	reasonably be expected to fully satisfy the association's
443	reserve funding obligations by the allocation of funds in the
444	annual operating budget.
445	(26) (25) "Structural integrity reserve study" means a
446	study of the reserve funds required for future major repairs and
447	replacement of the condominium property as required under s.
448	718.112(2)(g) common areas based on a visual inspection of the
449	common areas. A structural integrity reserve study may be
450	performed by any person qualified to perform such study.

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However, the visual inspection portion of the structural integrity reserve study must be performed by an engineer licensed under chapter 471 or an architect licensed under chapter 481. At a minimum, a structural integrity reserve study must identify the common areas being visually inspected, state the estimated remaining useful life and the estimated replacement cost or deferred maintenance expense of the common areas being visually inspected, and provide a recommended annual reserve amount that achieves the estimated replacement cost or deferred maintenance expense of each common area being visually inspected by the end of the estimated remaining useful life of each common area.
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each common area.
Section 5. Paragraph (c) of subsection (12) of section
718.111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
718.111 The association
(12) OFFICIAL RECORDS
(c)1. The official records of the association are open to
inspection by any association member and any person authorized
by an association member as a or the authorized representative
of such member at all reasonable times. The right to inspect the
records includes the right to make or obtain copies, at the
reasonable expense, if any, of the member and the person
authorized by the association member as a or authorized
representative of such member. A renter of a unit has a right to
inspect and copy only the declaration of condominium, the

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476 association's bylaws and rules, and the inspection reports 477 described in ss. 553.899 and 718.301(4)(p). The association may 478 adopt reasonable rules regarding the frequency, time, location, notice, and manner of record inspections and copying but may not 479 480 require a member to demonstrate any purpose or state any reason 481 for the inspection. The failure of an association to provide the 482 records within 10 working days after receipt of a written 483 request creates a rebuttable presumption that the association 484 willfully failed to comply with this paragraph. A unit owner who is denied access to official records is entitled to the actual 485 486 damages or minimum damages for the association's willful failure 487 to comply. Minimum damages are \$50 per calendar day for up to 10 488 days, beginning on the 11th working day after receipt of the 489 written request. The failure to permit inspection entitles any 490 person prevailing in an enforcement action to recover reasonable 491 attorney fees from the person in control of the records who, 492 directly or indirectly, knowingly denied access to the records.

493 2. Any person who knowingly or intentionally defaces or 494 destroys accounting records that are required by this chapter to 495 be maintained during the period for which such records are 496 required to be maintained, or who knowingly or intentionally 497 fails to create or maintain accounting records that are required 498 to be created or maintained, with the intent of causing harm to the association or one or more of its members, is personally 499 subject to a civil penalty pursuant to s. 718.501(1)(d). 500

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501 The association shall maintain an adequate number of 3. 502 copies of the declaration, articles of incorporation, bylaws, 503 and rules, and all amendments to each of the foregoing, as well 504 as the question and answer sheet as described in s. 718.504 and 505 year-end financial information required under this section, on 506 the condominium property to ensure their availability to unit 507 owners and prospective purchasers, and may charge its actual 508 costs for preparing and furnishing these documents to those 509 requesting the documents. An association shall allow a member or 510 his or her authorized representative to use a portable device, 511 including a smartphone, tablet, portable scanner, or any other 512 technology capable of scanning or taking photographs, to make an 513 electronic copy of the official records in lieu of the 514 association's providing the member or his or her authorized 515 representative with a copy of such records. The association may 516 not charge a member or his or her authorized representative for 517 the use of a portable device. Notwithstanding this paragraph, 518 the following records are not accessible to unit owners:

a. Any record protected by the lawyer-client privilege as described in s. 90.502 and any record protected by the workproduct privilege, including a record prepared by an association attorney or prepared at the attorney's express direction, which reflects a mental impression, conclusion, litigation strategy, or legal theory of the attorney or the association, and which was prepared exclusively for civil or criminal litigation or for

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526 adversarial administrative proceedings, or which was prepared in 527 anticipation of such litigation or proceedings until the 528 conclusion of the litigation or proceedings.

529 b. Information obtained by an association in connection 530 with the approval of the lease, sale, or other transfer of a 531 unit.

532 c. Personnel records of association or management company 533 employees, including, but not limited to, disciplinary, payroll, 534 health, and insurance records. For purposes of this sub-535 subparagraph, the term "personnel records" does not include 536 written employment agreements with an association employee or 537 management company, or budgetary or financial records that 538 indicate the compensation paid to an association employee.

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d. Medical records of unit owners.

540 Social security numbers, driver license numbers, credit е. 541 card numbers, e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, facsimile 542 numbers, emergency contact information, addresses of a unit 543 owner other than as provided to fulfill the association's notice 544 requirements, and other personal identifying information of any 545 person, excluding the person's name, unit designation, mailing 546 address, property address, and any address, e-mail address, or 547 facsimile number provided to the association to fulfill the 548 association's notice requirements. Notwithstanding the 549 restrictions in this sub-subparagraph, an association may print and distribute to unit owners a directory containing the name, 550

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551 unit address, and all telephone numbers of each unit owner. 552 However, an owner may exclude his or her telephone numbers from 553 the directory by so requesting in writing to the association. An 554 owner may consent in writing to the disclosure of other contact 555 information described in this sub-subparagraph. The association 556 is not liable for the inadvertent disclosure of information that 557 is protected under this sub-subparagraph if the information is 558 included in an official record of the association and is 559 voluntarily provided by an owner and not requested by the 560 association.

561 f. Electronic security measures that are used by the 562 association to safeguard data, including passwords.

563 g. The software and operating system used by the 564 association which allow the manipulation of data, even if the 565 owner owns a copy of the same software used by the association. 566 The data is part of the official records of the association.

567 h. All affirmative acknowledgments made pursuant to s.568 718.121(4)(c).

569 Section 6. Paragraphs (e), (f), (g), and (h) of subsection 570 (2) of section 718.112, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 571 718.112 Bylaws.-

572 (2) REQUIRED PROVISIONS.—The bylaws shall provide for the 573 following and, if they do not do so, shall be deemed to include 574 the following:

575 (e) Budget meeting.-

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576 Any meeting at which a proposed annual budget of an 1. 577 association will be considered by the board or unit owners shall 578 be open to all unit owners. At least 14 days before prior to 579 such a meeting, the board shall hand deliver to each unit owner, 580 mail to each unit owner at the address last furnished to the 581 association by the unit owner, or electronically transmit to the 582 location furnished by the unit owner for that purpose a notice 583 of such meeting and a copy of the proposed annual budget. An 584 officer or manager of the association, or other person providing 585 notice of such meeting, shall execute an affidavit evidencing compliance with such notice requirement, and such affidavit 586 587 shall be filed among the official records of the association.

588 2.a. If a board adopts in any fiscal year an annual budget 589 that which requires assessments against unit owners which exceed 590 115 percent of assessments for the preceding fiscal year, the 591 board shall conduct a special meeting of the unit owners to 592 consider a substitute budget if the board receives, within 21 593 days after adoption of the annual budget, a written request for 594 a special meeting from at least 10 percent of all voting 595 interests. The special meeting shall be conducted within 60 days 596 after adoption of the annual budget. At least 14 days before 597 prior to such special meeting, the board shall hand deliver to 598 each unit owner, or mail to each unit owner at the address last 599 furnished to the association, a notice of the meeting. An officer or manager of the association, or other person providing 600

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601 notice of such meeting shall execute an affidavit evidencing 602 compliance with this notice requirement, and such affidavit 603 shall be filed among the official records of the association. 604 Unit owners may consider and adopt a substitute budget at the 605 special meeting. A substitute budget is adopted if approved by a 606 majority of all voting interests unless the bylaws require 607 adoption by a greater percentage of voting interests. If there 608 is not a quorum at the special meeting or a substitute budget is 609 not adopted, the annual budget previously adopted by the board 610 shall take effect as scheduled.

b. Any determination of whether assessments exceed 115
percent of assessments for the prior fiscal year shall exclude
any authorized provision for reasonable reserves for repair or
replacement of the condominium property, anticipated expenses of
the association which the board does not expect to be incurred
on a regular or annual basis, <u>insurance premiums</u>, or assessments
for betterments to the condominium property.

c. If the developer controls the board, assessments shall
not exceed 115 percent of assessments for the prior fiscal year
unless approved by a majority of all voting interests.

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(f) Annual budget.-

1. The proposed annual budget of estimated revenues and expenses must be detailed and must show the amounts budgeted by accounts and expense classifications, including, at a minimum, any applicable expenses listed in s. 718.504(21). The board

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626 shall adopt the annual budget at least 14 days before the start 627 of the association's fiscal year. In the event that the board 628 fails to timely adopt the annual budget a second time, it is 629 deemed a minor violation and the prior year's budget shall 630 continue in effect until a new budget is adopted. A 631 multicondominium association must adopt a separate budget of 632 common expenses for each condominium the association operates 633 and must adopt a separate budget of common expenses for the 634 association. In addition, if the association maintains limited 635 common elements with the cost to be shared only by those 636 entitled to use the limited common elements as provided for in 637 s. 718.113(1), the budget or a schedule attached to it must show 638 the amount budgeted for this maintenance. If, after turnover of 639 control of the association to the unit owners, any of the 640 expenses listed in s. 718.504(21) are not applicable, they do 641 not need to be listed.

642 2.a. In addition to annual operating expenses, the budget 643 must include reserve accounts for capital expenditures and 644 deferred maintenance. These accounts must include, but are not 645 limited to, roof replacement, building painting, and pavement 646 resurfacing, regardless of the amount of deferred maintenance 647 expense or replacement cost, and any other item that has a 648 deferred maintenance expense or replacement cost that exceeds 649 \$10,000. The amount to be reserved for an item is determined by the association's most recent structural integrity reserve study 650

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651 that must be completed by December 31, 2024. If the amount to be 652 reserved for an item is not in the association's initial 653 recent structural integrity reserve study or the association has 654 not completed a structural integrity reserve study, the amount 655 must be computed using a formula based upon estimated remaining 656 useful life and estimated replacement cost or deferred 657 maintenance expense of the reserve item. In a budget adopted by 658 an association that is required to obtain a structural integrity 659 reserve study, reserves must be maintained for the items 660 identified in paragraph (g), and the reserve amount for such 661 items must be based on the findings and recommendations of the 662 association's most recent structural integrity reserve study. With respect to items for which an estimated remaining useful 663 664 life is not readily ascertainable or which have an estimated 665 remaining useful life of greater than 25 years, an association 666 is not required to reserve replacement costs for such items, but 667 an association must reserve the amount of deferred maintenance 668 expense, if any, which is recommended by the structural 669 integrity reserve study for such items. The association may 670 adjust replacement reserve assessments annually to take into account an inflation adjustment and any changes in estimates or 671 extension of the useful life of a reserve item caused by 672 673 deferred maintenance. The members of a unit-owner-controlled 674 association may determine, by a majority vote at a duly called meeting of the association, to provide no reserves or less 675

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676 reserves than required by this subsection. Effective December 677 31, 2024, the members of a unit-owner-controlled association 678 that must obtain a structural integrity reserve study may not 679 determine to provide no reserves or less reserves than required 680 by this subsection for items listed in paragraph (g), except 681 that members of an association operating a multicondominium may 682 determine to provide no reserves or less reserves than required 683 by this paragraph if such multicondominium uses an alternative 684 funding method approved by the division.

685 Before turnover of control of an association by a b. 686 developer to unit owners other than a developer under s. 687 718.301, the developer-controlled association may not vote to 688 waive the reserves or reduce funding of the reserves. If a 689 meeting of the unit owners has been called to determine whether 690 to waive or reduce the funding of reserves and no such result is 691 achieved or a quorum is not attained, the reserves included in 692 the budget shall go into effect. After the turnover, the 693 developer may vote its voting interest to waive or reduce the 694 funding of reserves.

3. Reserve funds and any interest accruing thereon shall remain in the reserve account or accounts, and may be used only for authorized reserve expenditures unless their use for other purposes is approved in advance by a majority vote at a duly called meeting of the association. Before turnover of control of an association by a developer to unit owners other than the

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701 developer pursuant to s. 718.301, the developer-controlled 702 association may not vote to use reserves for purposes other than 703 those for which they were intended. Effective December 31, 2024, 704 members of a unit-owner-controlled association that must obtain 705 a structural integrity reserve study may not vote to use reserve 706 funds, or any interest accruing thereon, that are reserved for 707 items listed in paragraph (g) for any other purpose other than the replacement or deferred maintenance costs of the items 708 709 listed in paragraph (g) their intended purpose.

710 The only voting interests that are eligible to vote on 4. 711 questions that involve waiving or reducing the funding of 712 reserves, or using existing reserve funds for purposes other 713 than purposes for which the reserves were intended, are the 714 voting interests of the units subject to assessment to fund the 715 reserves in question. Proxy questions relating to waiving or 716 reducing the funding of reserves or using existing reserve funds 717 for purposes other than purposes for which the reserves were 718 intended must contain the following statement in capitalized, 719 bold letters in a font size larger than any other used on the 720 face of the proxy ballot: WAIVING OF RESERVES, IN WHOLE OR IN 721 PART, OR ALLOWING ALTERNATIVE USES OF EXISTING RESERVES MAY 722 RESULT IN UNIT OWNER LIABILITY FOR PAYMENT OF UNANTICIPATED 723 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS REGARDING THOSE ITEMS.

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(g) Structural integrity reserve study.-

1. A residential or mixed-use condominium An association

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726 must have a structural integrity reserve study completed at 727 least every 10 years after the condominium's creation for each 728 building with at least one residential unit on the condominium property that is three stories or higher in height as determined 729 730 by the Florida Building Code which includes, at a minimum, a 731 study of the following items as related to the structural 732 integrity and safety of the building: 733 Roof. a. 734 b. Structure, including load-bearing walls and or other 735 primary structural members and primary structural systems as 736 those terms are defined in s. 627.706. 737 Floor. с. 738 d. Foundation. 739 e. Fireproofing and fire protection systems. 740 d.f. Plumbing. 741 e.g. Electrical systems. 742 f.h. Waterproofing and exterior painting. 743 g.i. Windows and exterior doors. 744 h.j. Any other item that has a deferred maintenance 745 expense or replacement cost that exceeds \$10,000 and the failure 746 to replace or maintain such item negatively affects the items 747 listed in sub-subparagraphs a.-g. sub-subparagraphs a.-i., as 748 determined by the licensed engineer or architect performing the 749 visual inspection portion of the structural integrity reserve 750 study.

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751 A structural integrity reserve study is based on a 2. 752 visual inspection of the condominium property. A structural 753 integrity reserve study may be performed by any person qualified 754 to perform such study. However, the visual inspection portion of 755 the structural integrity reserve study must be performed or 756 verified by an engineer licensed under chapter 471 or an 757 architect licensed under chapter 481, or performed by a person 758 certified as a reserve specialist or professional reserve 759 analyst by the Community Associations Institute or the 760 Association of Professional Reserve Analysts. 761 3. At a minimum, a structural integrity reserve study must 762 identify each item of the condominium property being visually 763 inspected, state the estimated remaining useful life and the 764 estimated replacement cost or deferred maintenance expense of 765 each item of the condominium property being visually inspected, 766 and provide a reserve funding schedule with a recommended annual 767 reserve amount that achieves the estimated replacement cost or 768 deferred maintenance expense of each item of condominium 769 property being visually inspected by the end of the estimated 770 remaining useful life of the item. The structural integrity 771 reserve study may recommend that reserves do not need to be 772 maintained for any item for which an estimated remaining useful 773 life and estimated replacement cost cannot be determined, or the 774 study may recommend a deferred maintenance expense amount for 775 such item. The structural integrity reserve study may recommend

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776 that reserves for replacement costs do not need to be maintained 777 for any item with an estimated remaining useful life of greater 778 than 25 years, or the study may recommend a deferred maintenance 779 expense amount for such item. 780 This paragraph does not apply to buildings less than 4. 781 three stories in height and to single-family, two-family, or 782 three-family dwellings with three or fewer habitable stories 783 above ground. 784 5. Before a developer turns over control of an association 785 to unit owners other than the developer, the developer must have a structural integrity reserve study completed for each building 786 787 on the condominium property that is three stories or higher in 788 height. 789 6.3. Associations existing on or before July 1, 2022, 790 which are controlled by unit owners other than the developer, 791 must have a structural integrity reserve study completed by 792 December 31, 2024, for each building on the condominium property 793 that is three stories or higher in height. An association that 794 is required to complete a milestone inspection in accordance 795 with s. 553.899 on or before December 31, 2026, may complete the 796 structural integrity reserve study simultaneously with the 797 milestone inspection. In no event may the structural integrity 798 reserve study be completed after December 31, 2026. 799 7. If the milestone inspection required by s. 553.899, or 800 an inspection completed for a similar local requirement, was

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801 performed within the previous 5 years and meets the requirements 802 of this paragraph, such inspection may be used in place of the 803 visual inspection portion of the structural integrity reserve 804 study.

805 <u>8.4.</u> If <u>the officers or directors of</u> an association <u>fail</u> 806 fails to complete a structural integrity reserve study pursuant 807 to this paragraph, such failure is a breach of an officer's and 808 director's fiduciary relationship to the unit owners under s. 809 718.111(1).

810 (h) Mandatory milestone inspections.-If an association is required to have a milestone inspection performed pursuant to s. 811 812 553.899, the association must arrange for the milestone 813 inspection to be performed and is responsible for ensuring 814 compliance with the requirements of s. 553.899. The association 815 is responsible for all costs associated with the milestone 816 inspection for to the portions of the building which the 817 association is responsible for maintaining under the governing 818 documents of the association. If the officers or directors of an 819 association willfully and knowingly fail to have a milestone 820 inspection performed pursuant to s. 553.899, such failure is a breach of the officers' and directors' fiduciary relationship to 821 822 the unit owners under s. 718.111(1)(a). Within 14 days after 823 receipt of a written notice from the local enforcement agency 824 that a milestone inspection is required, the association must 825 notify the unit owners of the required milestone inspection and

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826 provide the date by which the milestone inspection must be 827 completed. Such notice may be given by electronic submission to 828 unit owners who consent to receive notice by electronic 829 submission or by posting the notice on the association's 830 website. Within 45 days after receiving Upon completion of a 831 phase one or phase two milestone inspection and receipt of the 832 inspector-prepared summary of the inspection report from the 833 licensed architect or engineer who performed the inspection, the 834 association must distribute a copy of the inspector-prepared 835 summary of the inspection report to each unit owner, regardless 836 of the findings or recommendations in the report, by United 837 States mail or personal delivery at the mailing address, 838 property address, or any other address of the unit owner which 839 is provided to fulfill the association's notice requirements 840 under this chapter and by electronic transmission to unit owners 841 who previously consented to receive notice by electronic 842 transmission using the e-mail address or facsimile number of the 843 unit owner which is provided to fulfill the association's notice 844 requirements under this chapter; must post a copy of the 845 inspector-prepared summary in a conspicuous place on the 846 condominium property; and must publish the full report and 847 inspector-prepared summary on the association's website, if the 848 association is required to have a website. 849 Section 7. Effective July 1, 2027, subsection (5) of

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section 718.1255, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph

851	(d) is added to subsection (1) of that section, to read:
852	718.1255 Alternative dispute resolution; mediation;
853	nonbinding arbitration; applicability
854	(1) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section, the term
855	"dispute" means any disagreement between two or more parties
856	that involves:
857	(d) The failure of a board of administration, when
858	required by this chapter or an association document, to:
859	1. Obtain the milestone inspection required under s.
860	<u>553.899.</u>
861	2. Obtain a structural integrity reserve study required
862	<u>under s. 718.112(2)(g).</u>
863	3. Fund reserves as required for an item identified in s.
864	718.112(2)(g).
865	4. Make or provide necessary maintenance or repairs to
866	condominium property as recommended by a milestone inspection or
867	a structural integrity reserve study.
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869	"Dispute" does not include any disagreement that primarily
870	involves: title to any unit or common element; the
871	interpretation or enforcement of any warranty; the levy of a fee
872	or assessment, or the collection of an assessment levied against
873	a party; the eviction or other removal of a tenant from a unit;
874	alleged breaches of fiduciary duty by one or more directors; or
875	claims for damages to a unit based upon the alleged failure of
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876 the association to maintain the common elements or condominium 877 property.

878 (5) PRESUIT MEDIATION.-In lieu of the initiation of 879 nonbinding arbitration as provided in subsections (1)-(4), a 880 party may submit a dispute to presuit mediation in accordance 881 with s. 720.311; however, election and recall disputes are not 882 eligible for mediation and such disputes must be arbitrated by 883 the division or filed in a court of competent jurisdiction. 884 Disputes identified in paragraph (1)(d) are not subject to 885 nonbinding arbitration under subsection (4) and must be 886 submitted to presuit mediation in accordance with s. 720.311.

887 Section 8. Subsection (1) of section 718.113, Florida 888 Statutes, is amended to read:

889 718.113 Maintenance; limitation upon improvement; display 890 of flag; hurricane shutters and protection; display of religious 891 decorations.-

892 Maintenance of the common elements is the (1)893 responsibility of the association, except when responsibility 894 for the maintenance of limited common elements is assigned to the unit owners by the declaration. The association shall 895 provide for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the 896 897 condominium property for which it bears responsibility pursuant 898 to the declaration of condominium. After turnover of control of 899 the association to the unit owners, the association must perform 900 any required maintenance identified by the developer pursuant to

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901 s. 718.301(4)(p) and (q) until the association obtains new 902 maintenance protocols from a licensed engineer or architect or a 903 person certified as a reserve specialist or professional reserve 904 analyst by the Community Associations Institute or the 905 Association of Professional Reserve Analysts. The declaration 906 may provide that certain limited common elements shall be 907 maintained by those entitled to use the limited common elements 908 or that the association shall provide the maintenance, either as 909 a common expense or with the cost shared only by those entitled 910 to use the limited common elements. If the maintenance is to be 911 by the association at the expense of only those entitled to use 912 the limited common elements, the declaration shall describe in 913 detail the method of apportioning such costs among those 914 entitled to use the limited common elements, and the association 915 may use the provisions of s. 718.116 to enforce payment of the 916 shares of such costs by the unit owners entitled to use the 917 limited common elements. 918 Section 9. Present paragraphs (q) and (r) of subsection 919 (4) of section 718.301, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as 920 paragraphs (r) and (s), respectively, paragraph (p) of that

921 subsection is amended, and a new paragraph (q) is added to that 922 subsection, to read:

923 718.301 Transfer of association control; claims of defect 924 by association.-

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(4) At the time that unit owners other than the developer

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926 elect a majority of the members of the board of administration 927 of an association, the developer shall relinquish control of the 928 association, and the unit owners shall accept control. 929 Simultaneously, or for the purposes of paragraph (c) not more 930 than 90 days thereafter, the developer shall deliver to the 931 association, at the developer's expense, all property of the 932 unit owners and of the association which is held or controlled 933 by the developer, including, but not limited to, the following 934 items, if applicable, as to each condominium operated by the 935 association:

Notwithstanding when the certificate of occupancy was 936 (p) 937 issued or the height of the building, a structural integrity 938 reserve study a milestone inspection report in compliance with 939 s. 718.112(2)(g) s. 553.899 included in the official records, under seal of <u>a licensed</u> an architect or engineer authorized to 940 941 practice in this state or a person certified as a reserve 942 specialist or professional reserve analyst by the Community 943 Associations Institute or the Association of Professional 944 Reserve Analysts, and attesting to required maintenance, 945 condition, useful life, and replacement costs of the following 946 applicable condominium property comprising a turnover inspection 947 report: 948 1. Roof.

949 2. Structure, including load-bearing walls and primary950 structural members and primary structural systems as those terms

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951	are defined in <u>s. 627.706</u> s. 627.706 .
952	3. Fireproofing and fire protection systems.
953	4. <u>Plumbing</u> Elevators .
954	5. <u>Electrical systems</u> Heating and cooling systems.
955	6. <u>Waterproofing and exterior painting</u> Plumbing.
956	7. <u>Windows and exterior doors</u> Electrical systems.
957	8. Swimming pool or spa and equipment.
958	9. Seawalls.
959	10. Pavement and parking areas.
960	11. Drainage systems.
961	12. Painting.
962	13. Irrigation systems.
963	14. Waterproofing.
964	(q) Notwithstanding when the certificate of occupancy was
965	issued or the height of the building, a turnover inspection
966	report included in the official records, under seal of a
967	licensed architect or engineer authorized to practice in this
968	state or a person certified as a reserve specialist or
969	professional reserve analyst by the Community Associations
970	Institute or the Association of Professional Reserve Analysts,
971	and attesting to required maintenance, condition, useful life,
972	and replacement costs of the following applicable condominium
973	property comprising a turnover inspection report:
974	1. Elevators.
975	2. Heating and cooling systems.
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976	3. Swimming pool or spa and equipment.
977	4. Seawalls.
978	5. Pavement and parking areas.
979	6. Drainage systems.
980	7. Irrigation systems.
981	Section 10. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraph
982	(a) of subsection (2) of section 718.503, Florida Statutes, are
983	amended, and paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) and
984	paragraph (e) is added to subsection (2) of that section, to
985	read:
986	718.503 Developer disclosure prior to sale; nondeveloper
987	unit owner disclosure prior to sale; voidability
988	(1) DEVELOPER DISCLOSURE
989	(b) Copies of documents to be furnished to prospective
990	buyer or lesseeUntil such time as the developer has furnished
991	the documents listed below to a person who has entered into a
992	contract to purchase a residential unit or lease it for more
993	than 5 years, the contract may be voided by that person,
994	entitling the person to a refund of any deposit together with
995	interest thereon as provided in s. 718.202. The contract may be
996	terminated by written notice from the proposed buyer or lessee
997	delivered to the developer within 15 days after the buyer or
998	lessee receives all of the documents required by this section.
999	The developer may not close for 15 days after the execution of
1000	the agreement and delivery of the documents to the buyer as
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1001 evidenced by a signed receipt for documents unless the buyer is 1002 informed in the 15-day voidability period and agrees to close 1003 before the expiration of the 15 days. The developer shall retain 1004 in his or her records a separate agreement signed by the buyer as proof of the buyer's agreement to close before the expiration 1005 1006 of the voidability period. The developer must retain such proof 1007 for a period of 5 years after the date of the closing of the 1008 transaction. The documents to be delivered to the prospective 1009 buyer are the prospectus or disclosure statement with all exhibits, if the development is subject to s. 718.504, or, if 1010 1011 not, then copies of the following which are applicable:

1012 1. The question and answer sheet described in s. 718.504, 1013 and declaration of condominium, or the proposed declaration if 1014 the declaration has not been recorded, which shall include the 1015 certificate of a surveyor approximately representing the 1016 locations required by s. 718.104.

1017 1018 2. The documents creating the association.

3. The bylaws.

1019 4. The ground lease or other underlying lease of the 1020 condominium.

5. The management contract, maintenance contract, and other contracts for management of the association and operation of the condominium and facilities used by the unit owners having a service term in excess of 1 year, and any management contracts that are renewable.

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1026	6. The estimated operating budget for the condominium and
1027	a schedule of expenses for each type of unit, including fees
1028	assessed pursuant to s. 718.113(1) for the maintenance of
1029	limited common elements where such costs are shared only by
1030	those entitled to use the limited common elements.
1031	7. The lease of recreational and other facilities that
1032	will be used only by unit owners of the subject condominium.
1033	8. The lease of recreational and other common facilities
1034	that will be used by unit owners in common with unit owners of
1035	other condominiums.
1036	9. The form of unit lease if the offer is of a leasehold.
1037	10. Any declaration of servitude of properties serving the
1038	condominium but not owned by unit owners or leased to them or
1039	the association.
1040	11. If the development is to be built in phases or if the
1041	association is to manage more than one condominium, a
1042	description of the plan of phase development or the arrangements
1043	for the association to manage two or more condominiums.
1044	12. If the condominium is a conversion of existing
1045	improvements, the statements and disclosure required by s.
1046	718.616.
1047	13. The form of agreement for sale or lease of units.
1048	14. A copy of the floor plan of the unit and the plot plan
1049	showing the location of the residential buildings and the
1050	recreation and other common areas.
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105115. A copy of all covenants and restrictions that will1052affect the use of the property and are not contained in the1053foregoing.

1054 16. If the developer is required by state or local authorities to obtain acceptance or approval of any dock or 1056 marina facilities intended to serve the condominium, a copy of 1057 any such acceptance or approval acquired by the time of filing 1058 with the division under s. 718.502(1), or a statement that such 1059 acceptance or approval has not been acquired or received.

1060 17. Evidence demonstrating that the developer has an 1061 ownership, leasehold, or contractual interest in the land upon 1062 which the condominium is to be developed.

1063 18. A copy of the inspector-prepared summary of the 1064 milestone inspection report as described in <u>ss. 553.899 and</u> 1065 <u>718.112(2)(h) or a statement in conspicuous type indicating that</u> 1066 <u>the required milestone inspection described in s. 553.899 has</u> 1067 <u>not been completed or that a milestone inspection is not</u> 1068 <u>required, as applicable</u> <u>ss. 553.899 and 718.301(4)(p)</u>.

1069 19. A copy of the association's most recent structural 1070 integrity reserve study, or a statement <u>in conspicuous type</u> 1071 <u>indicating</u> that the association has not completed a <u>required</u> 1072 structural integrity reserve study <u>has not been completed or</u> 1073 <u>that a structural integrity reserve study is not required</u>, as 1074 <u>applicable</u>.

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20. A copy of the turnover inspection report described in

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1076	s. 718.301(4)(p) and (q) or a statement in conspicuous type
1077	indicating that a turnover inspection report has not been
1078	completed, as applicable.
1079	(d) Milestone inspection, turnover inspection report, or
1080	structural integrity reserve studyIf the association is
1081	required to have completed a milestone inspection as described
1082	in s. 553.899, a turnover inspection report for a turnover
1083	inspection performed on or after July 1, 2023, or a structural
1084	integrity reserve study, and the association has not completed
1085	the milestone inspection, the turnover inspection report, or the
1086	structural integrity reserve study, each contract entered into
1087	after December 31, 2024, for the sale of a residential unit must
1088	contain in conspicuous type a statement indicating that the
1089	association is required to have a milestone inspection, a
1090	turnover inspection report, or a structural integrity reserve
1091	study and has not completed such inspection, report, or study,
1092	as applicable. If the association is not required to have a
1093	milestone inspection as described in s. 553.899 or a structural
1094	integrity reserve study, each contract entered into after
1095	December 31, 2024, for the sale of a residential unit must
1096	contain in conspicuous type a statement indicating that the
1097	association is not required to have a milestone inspection or a
1098	structural integrity reserve study, as applicable. If the
1099	association has completed a milestone inspection as described in
1100	s. 553.899, a turnover inspection report for a turnover

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1101 inspection performed on or after July 1, 2023, or a structural 1102 integrity reserve study, each contract entered into after 1103 December 31, 2024, for the sale of a residential unit must 1104 contain in conspicuous type: 1105 1106 THE BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE BUYER HAS BEEN PROVIDED A CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED 1107 1108 SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS 1109 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF 1110 APPLICABLE; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT 1111 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA 1112 STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE 1113 ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE 1114 STUDY DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 718.103(26) AND 1115 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE, MORE 1116 THAN 15 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL 1117 HOLIDAYS, BEFORE THE EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT. 1118 1119 THIS AGREEMENT IS VOIDABLE BY THE BUYER BY DELIVERING 1120 WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL WITHIN 15 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND 1121 1122 LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THIS 1123 AGREEMENT BY THE BUYER AND THE BUYER'S RECEIPT OF A 1124 CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE 1125 MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION Page 45 of 90

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1127	THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT DESCRIBED IN SECTION
1128	718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF
1129	APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST
1130	RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
1131	SECTIONS 718.103(26) AND 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA
1132	STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THESE
1133	VOIDABILITY RIGHTS SHALL BE OF NO EFFECT. THE BUYER
1134	MAY EXTEND THE TIME FOR CLOSING FOR UP TO 15 DAYS,
1135	EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS,
1136	AFTER THE BUYER RECEIVES A CURRENT COPY OF THE
1137	INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION
1138	REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA
1139	STATUTES; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT
1140	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA
1141	STATUTES; OR A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT
1142	STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
1143	SECTIONS 718.103(26) AND 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA
1144	STATUTES, IF REQUESTED IN WRITING. THE BUYER'S RIGHT
1145	TO VOID THIS AGREEMENT TERMINATES AT CLOSING.
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1147	A contract that does not conform to the requirements of this
1148	paragraph is voidable at the option of the purchaser before
1149	<u>closing.</u>
1150	(2) NONDEVELOPER DISCLOSURE
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1151	(a) Each unit owner who is not a developer as defined by
1152	this chapter must comply with this subsection before the sale of
1153	his or her unit. Each prospective purchaser who has entered into
1154	a contract for the purchase of a condominium unit is entitled,
1155	at the seller's expense, to a current copy of all of the
1156	following:
1157	1. The declaration of condominium.
1158	2. Articles of incorporation of the association.
1159	3. Bylaws and rules of the association.
1160	 4. Financial information required by s. 718.111.
1161	5. A copy of the inspector-prepared summary of the
1162	milestone inspection report as described in s. 553.899 ss.
1163	553.899 and 718.301(4)(p), if applicable.
1164	6. The association's most recent structural integrity
1165	reserve study or a statement that the association has not
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1167	completed a structural integrity reserve study.
	7. <u>A copy of the inspection report described in s.</u>
1168	718.301(4)(p) and (q) for a turnover inspection performed on or
1169	after July 1, 2023.
1170	8. The document entitled "Frequently Asked Questions and
1171	Answers" required by s. 718.504.
1172	(e) If the association is required to have completed a
1173	milestone inspection as described in s. 553.899, a turnover
1174	inspection report for a turnover inspection performed on or
1175	after July 1, 2023, or a structural integrity reserve study, and
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1176	the association has not completed the milestone inspection, the
1177	turnover inspection report, or the structural integrity reserve
1178	study, each contract entered into after December 31, 2024, for
1179	the sale of a residential unit must contain in conspicuous type
1180	a statement indicating that the association is required to have
1181	a milestone inspection, a turnover inspection report, or a
1182	structural integrity reserve study and has not completed such
1183	inspection, report, or study, as applicable. If the association
1184	is not required to have a milestone inspection as described in
1185	s. 553.899 or a structural integrity reserve study, each
1186	contract entered into after December 31, 2024, for the sale of a
1187	residential unit must contain in conspicuous type a statement
1188	indicating that the association is not required to have a
1189	milestone inspection or a structural integrity reserve study, as
1190	applicable. If the association has completed a milestone
1191	inspection as described in s. 553.899, a turnover inspection
1192	report for a turnover inspection performed on or after July 1,
1193	2023, or a structural integrity reserve study, each contract
1194	entered into after December 31, 2024, for the resale of a
1195	residential unit must contain in conspicuous type:
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1197	THE BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE BUYER HAS BEEN
1198	PROVIDED A CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED
1199	SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS
1200	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF
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1201	APPLICABLE; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT
1202	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA
1203	STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE
1204	ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE
1205	STUDY DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 718.103(26) AND
1206	718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE, MORE
1207	THAN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL
1208	HOLIDAYS, BEFORE EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT.
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1210	THIS AGREEMENT IS VOIDABLE BY THE BUYER BY DELIVERING
1211	WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL
1212	WITHIN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL
1213	HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THIS
1214	AGREEMENT BY THE BUYER AND THE BUYER'S RECEIPT OF A
1215	CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE
1216	MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION
1217	553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; A COPY OF
1218	THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT DESCRIBED IN SECTION
1219	718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF
1220	APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST
1221	RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
1222	SECTIONS 718.103(26) AND 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA
1223	STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THESE
1224	VOIDABILITY RIGHTS SHALL BE OF NO EFFECT. THE BUYER
1225	MAY EXTEND THE TIME FOR CLOSING FOR UP TO 3 DAYS,

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1226	EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS,
1227	AFTER THE BUYER RECEIVES A CURRENT COPY OF THE
1228	INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION
1229	REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA
1230	STATUTES; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT
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1233	STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
1234	SECTIONS 718.103(26) AND 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA
1235	STATUTES, IF REQUESTED IN WRITING. THE BUYER'S RIGHT
1236	TO VOID THIS AGREEMENT TERMINATES AT CLOSING.
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1238	A contract that does not conform to the requirements of this
1239	paragraph is voidable at the option of the purchaser before
1240	closing.
1241	Section 11. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) and paragraph
1242	(c) of subsection (21) of section 718.504, Florida Statutes, are
1243	amended to read:
1244	718.504 Prospectus or offering circularEvery developer
1245	of a residential condominium which contains more than 20
1246	residential units, or which is part of a group of residential
1247	condominiums which will be served by property to be used in
1248	common by unit owners of more than 20 residential units, shall
1249	prepare a prospectus or offering circular and file it with the
1250	Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes
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1251 prior to entering into an enforceable contract of purchase and 1252 sale of any unit or lease of a unit for more than 5 years and 1253 shall furnish a copy of the prospectus or offering circular to 1254 each buyer. In addition to the prospectus or offering circular, 1255 each buyer shall be furnished a separate page entitled "Frequently Asked Questions and Answers," which shall be in 1256 1257 accordance with a format approved by the division and a copy of 1258 the financial information required by s. 718.111. This page 1259 shall, in readable language, inform prospective purchasers 1260 regarding their voting rights and unit use restrictions, 1261 including restrictions on the leasing of a unit; shall indicate whether and in what amount the unit owners or the association is 1262 1263 obligated to pay rent or land use fees for recreational or other 1264 commonly used facilities; shall contain a statement identifying 1265 that amount of assessment which, pursuant to the budget, would 1266 be levied upon each unit type, exclusive of any special 1267 assessments, and which shall further identify the basis upon 1268 which assessments are levied, whether monthly, quarterly, or 1269 otherwise; shall state and identify any court cases in which the 1270 association is currently a party of record in which the 1271 association may face liability in excess of \$100,000; and which 1272 shall further state whether membership in a recreational 1273 facilities association is mandatory, and if so, shall identify 1274 the fees currently charged per unit type. The division shall by rule require such other disclosure as in its judgment will 1275

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1276 assist prospective purchasers. The prospectus or offering 1277 circular may include more than one condominium, although not all 1278 such units are being offered for sale as of the date of the 1279 prospectus or offering circular. The prospectus or offering 1280 circular must contain the following information:

(7) A description of the recreational and other facilities that will be used in common with other condominiums, community associations, or planned developments which require the payment of the maintenance and expenses of such facilities, directly or indirectly, by the unit owners. The description shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) Each building and facility committed to be built <u>and a</u>
 summary description of the structural integrity of each building
 for which reserves are required pursuant to s. 718.112(2)(g).

1291 Descriptions shall include location, areas, capacities, numbers, 1292 volumes, or sizes and may be stated as approximations or 1293 minimums.

(21) An estimated operating budget for the condominium and the association, and a schedule of the unit owner's expenses shall be attached as an exhibit and shall contain the following information:

(c) The estimated items of expenses of the condominium and
the association, except as excluded under paragraph (b),
including, but not limited to, the following items, which shall

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1301	be stated as an association expense collectible by assessments
1302	or as unit owners' expenses payable to persons other than the
1303	association:
1304	1. Expenses for the association and condominium:
1305	a. Administration of the association.
1306	b. Management fees.
1307	c. Maintenance.
1308	d. Rent for recreational and other commonly used
1309	facilities.
1310	e. Taxes upon association property.
1311	f. Taxes upon leased areas.
1312	g. Insurance.
1313	h. Security provisions.
1314	i. Other expenses.
1315	j. Operating capital.
1316	k. Reserves for all applicable items referenced in s.
1317	<u>718.112(2)(g)</u> .
1318	l. Fees payable to the division.
1319	2. Expenses for a unit owner:
1320	a. Rent for the unit, if subject to a lease.
1321	b. Rent payable by the unit owner directly to the lessor
1322	or agent under any recreational lease or lease for the use of
1323	commonly used facilities, which use and payment is a mandatory
1324	condition of ownership and is not included in the common expense
1325	or assessments for common maintenance paid by the unit owners to
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1326 the association. 1327 Section 12. Subsection (24) of section 719.103, Florida 1328 Statutes, is amended to read: 1329 719.103 Definitions.-As used in this chapter: 1330 "Structural integrity reserve study" means a study of (24)1331 the reserve funds required for future major repairs and 1332 replacement of the cooperative property performed as required 1333 under s. 719.106(1)(k) common areas based on a visual inspection 1334 of the common areas. A structural integrity reserve study may be 1335 performed by any person qualified to perform such study. 1336 However, the visual inspection portion of the structural 1337 integrity reserve study must be performed by an engineer 1338 licensed under chapter 471 or an architect licensed under 1339 chapter 481. At a minimum, a structural integrity reserve study 1340 must identify the common areas being visually inspected, state 1341 the estimated remaining useful life and the estimated 1342 replacement cost or deferred maintenance expense of the common 1343 areas being visually inspected, and provide a recommended annual 1344 amount that achieves the estimated replacement rosorvo 1345 deferred maintenance expense of each common area being visually 1346 inspected by the end of the estimated remaining useful life of 1347 each common area. 1348 Section 13. Subsections (5) through (11) of section 1349 719.104, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (6) through (12), respectively, paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of 1350

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1351 that section is amended, and a new subsection (5) is added to 1352 that section, to read: 1353 719.104 Cooperatives; access to units; records; financial 1354 reports; assessments; purchase of leases.-1355 OFFICIAL RECORDS.-(2)1356 (C) The official records of the association are open to 1357 inspection by any association member and any person authorized 1358 by an association member as a or the authorized representative 1359 of such member at all reasonable times. The right to inspect the 1360 records includes the right to make or obtain copies, at the 1361 reasonable expense, if any, of the association member and of the 1362 person authorized by the association member as a representative 1363 of such member. A renter of a unit has a right to inspect and 1364 copy only the association's bylaws and rules and the inspection 1365 reports described in ss. 553.899 and 719.301(4)(p). The 1366 association may adopt reasonable rules regarding the frequency, time, location, notice, and manner of record inspections and 1367 1368 copying, but may not require a member to demonstrate any purpose 1369 or state any reason for the inspection. The failure of an 1370 association to provide the records within 10 working days after 1371 receipt of a written request creates a rebuttable presumption 1372 that the association willfully failed to comply with this 1373 paragraph. A member who is denied access to official records is 1374 entitled to the actual damages or minimum damages for the association's willful failure to comply. The minimum damages are 1375

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1376 \$50 per calendar day for up to 10 days, beginning on the 11th 1377 working day after receipt of the written request. The failure to 1378 permit inspection entitles any person prevailing in an 1379 enforcement action to recover reasonable attorney fees from the 1380 person in control of the records who, directly or indirectly, 1381 knowingly denied access to the records. Any person who knowingly 1382 or intentionally defaces or destroys accounting records that are 1383 required by this chapter to be maintained during the period for 1384 which such records are required to be maintained, or who 1385 knowingly or intentionally fails to create or maintain 1386 accounting records that are required to be created or 1387 maintained, with the intent of causing harm to the association 1388 or one or more of its members, is personally subject to a civil 1389 penalty under s. 719.501(1)(d). The association shall maintain 1390 an adequate number of copies of the declaration, articles of 1391 incorporation, bylaws, and rules, and all amendments to each of 1392 the foregoing, as well as the question and answer sheet as 1393 described in s. 719.504 and year-end financial information 1394 required by the department, on the cooperative property to 1395 ensure their availability to members and prospective purchasers, 1396 and may charge its actual costs for preparing and furnishing 1397 these documents to those requesting the same. An association 1398 shall allow a member or his or her authorized representative to 1399 use a portable device, including a smartphone, tablet, portable scanner, or any other technology capable of scanning or taking 1400

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photographs, to make an electronic copy of the official records in lieu of the association providing the member or his or her authorized representative with a copy of such records. The association may not charge a member or his or her authorized representative for the use of a portable device. Notwithstanding this paragraph, the following records shall not be accessible to members:

Any record protected by the lawyer-client privilege as 1408 1. 1409 described in s. 90.502 and any record protected by the workproduct privilege, including any record prepared by an 1410 1411 association attorney or prepared at the attorney's express direction which reflects a mental impression, conclusion, 1412 1413 litigation strategy, or legal theory of the attorney or the association, and which was prepared exclusively for civil or 1414 criminal litigation or for adversarial administrative 1415 1416 proceedings, or which was prepared in anticipation of such 1417 litigation or proceedings until the conclusion of the litigation 1418 or proceedings.

1419 2. Information obtained by an association in connection 1420 with the approval of the lease, sale, or other transfer of a 1421 unit.

3. Personnel records of association or management company
employees, including, but not limited to, disciplinary, payroll,
health, and insurance records. For purposes of this
subparagraph, the term "personnel records" does not include

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1426 written employment agreements with an association employee or 1427 management company, or budgetary or financial records that 1428 indicate the compensation paid to an association employee.

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4. Medical records of unit owners.

Social security numbers, driver license numbers, credit 1430 5. 1431 card numbers, e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, facsimile 1432 numbers, emergency contact information, addresses of a unit 1433 owner other than as provided to fulfill the association's notice 1434 requirements, and other personal identifying information of any 1435 person, excluding the person's name, unit designation, mailing 1436 address, property address, and any address, e-mail address, or 1437 facsimile number provided to the association to fulfill the 1438 association's notice requirements. Notwithstanding the 1439 restrictions in this subparagraph, an association may print and distribute to unit owners a directory containing the name, unit 1440 1441 address, and all telephone numbers of each unit owner. However, 1442 an owner may exclude his or her telephone numbers from the 1443 directory by so requesting in writing to the association. An 1444 owner may consent in writing to the disclosure of other contact 1445 information described in this subparagraph. The association is 1446 not liable for the inadvertent disclosure of information that is 1447 protected under this subparagraph if the information is included 1448 in an official record of the association and is voluntarily 1449 provided by an owner and not requested by the association. Electronic security measures that are used by the 1450 6.

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1451	association to safeguard data, including passwords.
1452	7. The software and operating system used by the
1453	association which allow the manipulation of data, even if the
1454	owner owns a copy of the same software used by the association.
1455	The data is part of the official records of the association.
1456	8. All affirmative acknowledgments made pursuant to s.
1457	719.108(3)(b)3.
1458	(5) MAINTENANCEMaintenance of the common elements is the
1459	responsibility of the association, except for any maintenance
1460	responsibility for limited common elements assigned to the unit
1461	owners by the declaration. The association shall provide for the
1462	maintenance, repair, and replacement of the cooperative property
1463	for which it bears responsibility pursuant to the declaration of
1464	cooperative. After turnover of control of the association to the
1465	unit owners, the association must perform any required
1466	maintenance identified by the developer pursuant to s.
1467	719.301(4)(p) and (q) until the association obtains new
1468	maintenance protocols from a licensed engineer or architect or a
1469	person certified as a reserve specialist or professional reserve
1470	analyst by the Community Associations Institute or the
1471	Association of Professional Reserve Analysts. The declaration
1472	may provide that certain limited common elements shall be
1473	maintained by those entitled to use the limited common elements
1474	or that the association shall provide the maintenance, either as
1475	a common expense or with the cost shared only by those entitled

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1476	to use the limited common elements. If the maintenance is to be
1477	provided by the association at the expense of only those
1478	entitled to use the limited common elements, the declaration
1479	shall describe in detail the method of apportioning such costs
1480	among those entitled to use the limited common elements and the
1481	association may use s. 719.108 to enforce payment of the shares
1482	of such costs by the unit owners entitled to use the limited
1483	common elements.
1484	Section 14. Paragraphs (e), (j), (k), and (l) of
1485	subsection (1) of section 719.106, Florida Statutes, are amended
1486	to read:
1487	719.106 Bylaws; cooperative ownership
1488	(1) MANDATORY PROVISIONSThe bylaws or other cooperative
1489	documents shall provide for the following, and if they do not,
1490	they shall be deemed to include the following:
1491	(e) Budget procedures
1492	1. The board of administration shall mail, hand deliver,
1493	or electronically transmit to each unit owner at the address
1494	last furnished to the association, a meeting notice and copies
1495	of the proposed annual budget of common expenses to the unit
1496	owners not less than 14 days prior to the meeting at which the
1497	budget will be considered. Evidence of compliance with this 14-
1498	day notice must be made by an affidavit executed by an officer
1499	of the association or the manager or other person providing
1500	notice of the meeting and filed among the official records of
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1501 the association. The meeting must be open to the unit owners. 1502 If an adopted budget requires assessment against the 2. 1503 unit owners in any fiscal or calendar year which exceeds 115 1504 percent of the assessments for the preceding year, the board 1505 upon written application of 10 percent of the voting interests 1506 to the board, shall call a special meeting of the unit owners 1507 within 30 days, upon not less than 10 days' written notice to 1508 each unit owner. At the special meeting, unit owners shall 1509 consider and enact a budget. Unless the bylaws require a larger 1510 vote, the adoption of the budget requires a vote of not less 1511 than a majority of all the voting interests.

The board of administration may, in any event, propose 1512 3. 1513 a budget to the unit owners at a meeting of members or by 1514 writing, and if the budget or proposed budget is approved by the unit owners at the meeting or by a majority of all voting 1515 1516 interests in writing, the budget is adopted. If a meeting of the 1517 unit owners has been called and a quorum is not attained or a 1518 substitute budget is not adopted by the unit owners, the budget 1519 adopted by the board of directors goes into effect as scheduled.

4. In determining whether assessments exceed 115 percent of similar assessments for prior years, any authorized provisions for reasonable reserves for repair or replacement of cooperative property, anticipated expenses by the association which are not anticipated to be incurred on a regular or annual basis, insurance premiums, or assessments for betterments to the

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1526 cooperative property must be excluded from computation. However, 1527 as long as the developer is in control of the board of 1528 administration, the board may not impose an assessment for any 1529 year greater than 115 percent of the prior fiscal or calendar 1530 year's assessment without approval of a majority of all voting 1531 interests.

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(j) Annual budget.-

1533 The proposed annual budget of common expenses must be 1. 1534 detailed and must show the amounts budgeted by accounts and 1535 expense classifications, including, if applicable, but not limited to, those expenses listed in s. 719.504(20). The board 1536 1537 of administration shall adopt the annual budget at least 14 days 1538 before the start of the association's fiscal year. In the event 1539 that the board fails to timely adopt the annual budget a second 1540 time, it is deemed a minor violation and the prior year's budget 1541 shall continue in effect until a new budget is adopted.

In addition to annual operating expenses, the budget 1542 2. 1543 must include reserve accounts for capital expenditures and 1544 deferred maintenance. These accounts must include, but are not 1545 be limited to, roof replacement, building painting, and pavement 1546 resurfacing, regardless of the amount of deferred maintenance 1547 expense or replacement cost, and for any other items for which 1548 the deferred maintenance expense or replacement cost exceeds 1549 \$10,000. The amount to be reserved for an item is determined by the association's most recent structural integrity reserve study 1550

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1551 that must be completed by December 31, 2024. the amount to be Tf 1552 reserved for an item is not in the association's initial 1553 recent structural integrity reserve study or the association has 1554 not completed a structural integrity reserve study, the amount 1555 must be computed by means of a formula which is based upon 1556 estimated remaining useful life and estimated replacement cost 1557 or deferred maintenance expense of the reserve item. In a budget 1558 adopted by an association that is required to obtain a 1559 structural integrity reserve study, reserves must be maintained 1560 for the items identified in paragraph (k), and the reserve 1561 amount for such items must be based on the findings and 1562 recommendations of the association's most recent structural 1563 integrity reserve study. With respect to items for which an 1564 estimated remaining useful life is not readily ascertainable or which have an estimated remaining useful life of greater than 25 1565 1566 years, an association is not required to reserve replacement 1567 costs for such items, but an association must reserve the amount 1568 of deferred maintenance expense, if any, which is recommended by 1569 the structural integrity reserve study for such items. The 1570 association may adjust replacement reserve assessments annually 1571 to take into account an inflation adjustment and any changes in 1572 estimates or extension of the useful life of a reserve item 1573 caused by deferred maintenance. The members of a unit-owner-1574 controlled association may determine, at a duly called meeting of the association, for a fiscal year to provide no reserves or 1575

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1576 reserves less adequate than required by this subsection. Before 1577 turnover of control of an association by a developer to unit 1578 owners other than a developer under s. 719.301, the developer-1579 controlled association may not vote to waive the reserves or 1580 reduce funding of the reserves. Effective December 31, 2024, a 1581 unit-owner-controlled association that must obtain a structural 1582 integrity reserve study may not determine to provide no reserves 1583 or reserves less adequate than required by this paragraph for 1584 items listed in paragraph (k). If a meeting of the unit owners 1585 has been called to determine to provide no reserves, or reserves 1586 less adequate than required, and such result is not attained or 1587 a quorum is not attained, the reserves as included in the budget 1588 shall go into effect.

1589 3. Reserve funds and any interest accruing thereon shall 1590 remain in the reserve account or accounts, and shall be used 1591 only for authorized reserve expenditures unless their use for 1592 other purposes is approved in advance by a vote of the majority 1593 of the voting interests, voting in person or by limited proxy at 1594 a duly called meeting of the association. Before turnover of 1595 control of an association by a developer to unit owners other 1596 than the developer under s. 719.301, the developer may not vote 1597 to use reserves for purposes other than that for which they were 1598 intended. Effective December 31, 2024, members of a unit-owner-1599 controlled association that must obtain a structural integrity reserve study may not vote to use reserve funds, or any interest 1600

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1601	accruing thereon, that are reserved for items listed in
1602	paragraph (k) for purposes other than <u>the replacement or</u>
1603	deferred maintenance costs of the components listed in paragraph
1604	(k) their intended purpose.
1605	(k) Structural integrity reserve study
1606	1. <u>A residential cooperative</u> An association must have a
1607	structural integrity reserve study completed at least every 10
1608	years for each building on the cooperative property that is
1609	three stories or higher in height <u>as determined by the Florida</u>
1610	Building Code which that includes, at a minimum, a study of the
1611	following items as related to the structural integrity and
1612	safety of the building:
1613	a. Roof.
1614	b. <u>Structure, including</u> load-bearing walls <u>and</u> or other
1615	primary structural members and primary structural systems as
1616	those terms are defined in s. 627.706.
1617	c. Floor.
1618	d. Foundation.
1619	e. Fireproofing and fire protection systems.
1620	<u>d.f.</u> Plumbing.
1621	<u>e.g.</u> Electrical systems.
1622	<u>f.</u> h. Waterproofing and exterior painting.
1623	g.i. Windows and exterior doors.
1624	h.j. Any other item that has a deferred maintenance
1625	expense or replacement cost that exceeds \$10,000 and the failure

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to replace or maintain such item negatively affects the items listed in <u>sub-subparagraphs a.-g.</u> sub-subparagraphs a.-i., as determined by the licensed engineer or architect performing the visual inspection portion of the structural integrity reserve study.

1631 2. A structural integrity reserve study is based on a visual inspection of the cooperative property. A structural 1632 1633 integrity reserve study may be performed by any person qualified 1634 to perform such study. However, the visual inspection portion of 1635 the structural integrity reserve study must be performed or verified by an engineer licensed under chapter 471 or an 1636 1637 architect licensed under chapter 481, or performed by a person certified as a reserve specialist or professional reserve 1638 1639 analyst by the Community Associations Institute or the 1640 Association of Professional Reserve Analysts.

1641 3. At a minimum, a structural integrity reserve study must 1642 identify each item of the cooperative property being visually 1643 inspected, state the estimated remaining useful life and the 1644 estimated replacement cost or deferred maintenance expense of 1645 each item of the cooperative property being visually inspected, and provide a reserve funding schedule with a recommended annual 1646 1647 reserve amount that achieves the estimated replacement cost or 1648 deferred maintenance expense of each item of cooperative 1649 property being visually inspected by the end of the estimated remaining useful life of the item. The structural integrity 1650

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1651 reserve study may recommend that reserves do not need to be 1652 maintained for any item for which an estimated remaining useful 1653 life and an estimate of replacement cost cannot be determined, 1654 or the study may recommend a deferred maintenance expense amount 1655 for such item. The structural integrity reserve study may 1656 recommend that reserves for replacement costs do not need to be 1657 maintained for any item with an estimated remaining useful life 1658 of greater than 25 years, but the study may recommend a deferred 1659 maintenance expense amount for such item. 1660 4. This paragraph does not apply to buildings less than 1661 three stories in height and to single-family, two-family, or 1662 three-family dwellings with three or fewer habitable stories 1663 above ground. 1664 5. Before a developer turns over control of an association to unit owners other than the developer, the developer must have 1665 1666 a structural integrity reserve study completed for each building 1667 on the cooperative property that is three stories or higher in 1668 height. 1669 6.3. Associations existing on or before July 1, 2022, 1670 which are controlled by unit owners other than the developer, 1671 must have a structural integrity reserve study completed by 1672 December 31, 2024, for each building on the cooperative property 1673 that is three stories or higher in height. An association that 1674 is required to complete a milestone inspection in accordance with s. 553.899 on or before December 31, 2026, may complete the 1675

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1676 structural integrity reserve study simultaneously with the 1677 milestone inspection. In no event may the structural integrity 1678 reserve study be completed after December 31, 2026. 1679 7. If the milestone inspection required by s. 553.899, or 1680 an inspection completed for a similar local requirement, was 1681 performed within the previous 5 years and meets the requirements of this paragraph, such inspection may be used in place of the 1682 1683 visual inspection portion of the structural integrity reserve 1684 study. 1685 8.4. If the officers or directors of an association fail 1686 fails to complete a structural integrity reserve study pursuant 1687 to this paragraph, such failure is a breach of an officer's and 1688 director's fiduciary relationship to the unit owners under s.

1690 (1) Mandatory milestone inspections.-If an association is 1691 required to have a milestone inspection performed pursuant to s. 1692 553.899, the association must arrange for the milestone 1693 inspection to be performed and is responsible for ensuring 1694 compliance with the requirements of s. 553.899. The association 1695 is responsible for all costs associated with the milestone 1696 inspection for the portions of the building which the association is responsible for maintaining under the governing 1697 1698 documents of the association. If the officers or directors of an 1699 association willfully and knowingly fail to have a milestone inspection performed pursuant to s. 553.899, such failure is a 1700

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719.104(9) s. 719.104(8).

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1701	breach of the officers' and directors' fiduciary relationship to
1702	the unit owners under <u>s. 719.104(9)(a). Within 14 days after</u>
1703	receipt of a written notice from the local enforcement agency
1704	that a milestone inspection is required, the association must
1705	notify the unit owners of the required milestone inspection and
1706	provide the date by which the milestone inspection must be
1707	completed. Such notice may be given by electronic submission to
1708	unit owners who consent to receive notice by electronic
1709	submission or by posting the notice on the association's
1710	website. Within 45 days after receiving s. 719.104(8)(a). Upon
1711	completion of a phase one or phase two milestone inspection and
1712	receipt of the inspector-prepared summary of the inspection
1713	report from the <u>licensed</u> architect or engineer who performed the
1714	inspection, the association must distribute a copy of the
1715	inspector-prepared summary of the inspection report to each unit
1716	owner, regardless of the findings or recommendations in the
1717	report, by United States mail or personal delivery <u>at the</u>
1718	mailing address, property address, or any other address of the
1719	unit owner which is provided to fulfill the association's notice
1720	requirements under this chapter and by electronic transmission
1721	to unit owners who previously consented to receive notice by
1722	electronic transmission using the e-mail address or facsimile
1723	number of the unit owner which is provided to fulfill the
1724	association's notice requirements under this chapter; must post
1725	a copy of the inspector-prepared summary in a conspicuous place
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1726 on the cooperative property; and must publish the full report 1727 and inspector-prepared summary on the association's website, if 1728 the association is required to have a website.

Section 15. Paragraph (q) of subsection (4) of section 719.301, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (r), paragraph (p) of that subsection is amended, and a new paragraph (q) is added to that subsection, to read:

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719.301 Transfer of association control.-

1734 (4) When unit owners other than the developer elect a 1735 majority of the members of the board of administration of an 1736 association, the developer shall relinquish control of the 1737 association, and the unit owners shall accept control. 1738 Simultaneously, or for the purpose of paragraph (c) not more 1739 than 90 days thereafter, the developer shall deliver to the 1740 association, at the developer's expense, all property of the 1741 unit owners and of the association held or controlled by the 1742 developer, including, but not limited to, the following items, 1743 if applicable, as to each cooperative operated by the 1744 association:

(p) Notwithstanding when the certificate of occupancy was issued or the height of the building, a <u>structural integrity</u> <u>reserve study</u> <u>milestone inspection report</u> in compliance with <u>s.</u> <u>719.106(1)(k)</u> <u>s. 553.899</u> included in the official records, under seal of <u>a licensed</u> an architect or engineer authorized to practice in this state or a person certified as a reserve

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1751 specialist or professional reserve analyst by the Community Associations Institute or the Association of Professional 1752 1753 Reserve Analysts, attesting to required maintenance, condition, 1754 useful life, and replacement costs of the following applicable cooperative property comprising a turnover inspection report: 1755 1756 Roof. 1. 1757 2. Structure, including load-bearing walls and primary 1758 structural members and primary structural systems as those terms 1759 are defined in s. 627.706 s. 627.706. Fireproofing and fire protection systems. 1760 3. 1761 4. Plumbing Elevators. Electrical systems Heating and cooling systems. 1762 5. Waterproofing and exterior painting Plumbing. 1763 6. 1764 7. Windows and exterior doors Electrical systems. 1765 8. Swimming pool or spa and equipment. 1766 9. Seawalls. 1767 10. Pavement and parking areas. 1768 11. Drainage systems. 1769 12. Painting. 1770 13. Irrigation systems. 1771 14. Waterproofing. 1772 (q) Notwithstanding when the certificate of occupancy was 1773 issued or the height of the building, a turnover inspection 1774 report included in the official records, under seal of a licensed architect or engineer authorized to practice in this 1775

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1776	state or a person certified as a reserve specialist or
1777	professional reserve analyst by the Community Associations
1778	Institute or the Association of Professional Reserve Analysts,
1779	and attesting to required maintenance, condition, useful life,
1780	and replacement costs of the following applicable cooperative
1781	property comprising a turnover inspection report:
1782	1. Elevators.
1783	2. Heating and cooling systems.
1784	3. Swimming pool or spa and equipment.
1785	4. Seawalls.
1786	5. Pavement and parking areas.
1787	6. Drainage systems.
1788	7. Irrigation systems.
1789	Section 16. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraph
1790	(a) of subsection (2) of section 719.503, Florida Statutes, are
1791	amended, and paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) and
1792	paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) of that section, to
1793	read:
1794	719.503 Disclosure prior to sale
1795	(1) DEVELOPER DISCLOSURE
1796	(b) Copies of documents to be furnished to prospective
1797	buyer or lesseeUntil such time as the developer has furnished
1798	the documents listed below to a person who has entered into a
1799	contract to purchase a unit or lease it for more than 5 years,
1800	the contract may be voided by that person, entitling the person
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1801 to a refund of any deposit together with interest thereon as 1802 provided in s. 719.202. The contract may be terminated by 1803 written notice from the proposed buyer or lessee delivered to 1804 the developer within 15 days after the buyer or lessee receives 1805 all of the documents required by this section. The developer may 1806 not close for 15 days after the execution of the agreement and 1807 delivery of the documents to the buyer as evidenced by a receipt 1808 for documents signed by the buyer unless the buyer is informed 1809 in the 15-day voidability period and agrees to close before the 1810 expiration of the 15 days. The developer shall retain in his or 1811 her records a separate signed agreement as proof of the buyer's agreement to close before the expiration of the voidability 1812 1813 period. The developer must retain such proof for a period of 5 years after the date of the closing transaction. The documents 1814 to be delivered to the prospective buyer are the prospectus or 1815 1816 disclosure statement with all exhibits, if the development is 1817 subject to s. 719.504, or, if not, then copies of the following 1818 which are applicable:

1819 1. The question and answer sheet described in s. 719.504, 1820 and cooperative documents, or the proposed cooperative documents 1821 if the documents have not been recorded, which shall include the 1822 certificate of a surveyor approximately representing the 1823 locations required by s. 719.104.

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2. The documents creating the association.

1825 3. The bylaws.

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1826 The ground lease or other underlying lease of the 4. 1827 cooperative. 1828 5. The management contract, maintenance contract, and 1829 other contracts for management of the association and operation 1830 of the cooperative and facilities used by the unit owners having 1831 a service term in excess of 1 year, and any management contracts 1832 that are renewable. 1833 The estimated operating budget for the cooperative and 6. 1834 a schedule of expenses for each type of unit, including fees 1835 assessed to a shareholder who has exclusive use of limited 1836 common areas, where such costs are shared only by those entitled 1837 to use such limited common areas. The lease of recreational and other facilities that 1838 7. 1839 will be used only by unit owners of the subject cooperative. The lease of recreational and other common areas that 1840 8. 1841 will be used by unit owners in common with unit owners of other 1842 cooperatives. The form of unit lease if the offer is of a leasehold. 1843 9. 1844 10. Any declaration of servitude of properties serving the 1845 cooperative but not owned by unit owners or leased to them or 1846 the association. 1847 If the development is to be built in phases or if the 11. 1848 association is to manage more than one cooperative, a 1849 description of the plan of phase development or the arrangements for the association to manage two or more cooperatives. 1850

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1851 12. If the cooperative is a conversion of existing
1852 improvements, the statements and disclosure required by s.
1853 719.616.

1854 13. The form of agreement for sale or lease of units. 1855 14. A copy of the floor plan of the unit and the plot plan 1856 showing the location of the residential buildings and the 1857 recreation and other common areas.

1858 15. A copy of all covenants and restrictions that will 1859 affect the use of the property and are not contained in the 1860 foregoing.

1861 16. If the developer is required by state or local authorities to obtain acceptance or approval of any dock or marina facilities intended to serve the cooperative, a copy of any such acceptance or approval acquired by the time of filing with the division pursuant to s. 719.502(1) or a statement that such acceptance or approval has not been acquired or received.

1867 17. Evidence demonstrating that the developer has an 1868 ownership, leasehold, or contractual interest in the land upon 1869 which the cooperative is to be developed.

1870 18. A copy of the inspector-prepared summary of the 1871 milestone inspection report as described in <u>s. 553.899</u> ss. 1872 553.899 and 719.301(4)(p), <u>or a statement in conspicuous type</u> 1873 <u>indicating that the required milestone inspection described in</u> 1874 <u>s. 553.899 has not been completed or that a milestone inspection</u> 1875 is not required, as if applicable.

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1876 A copy of the association's most recent structural 19. 1877 integrity reserve study or a statement in conspicuous type 1878 indicating that the association has not completed a required 1879 structural integrity reserve study has not been completed or 1880 that a structural integrity reserve study is not required, as 1881 applicable. 1882 20. A copy of the turnover inspection report described in 1883 s. 719.301(4)(p) and (q) or a statement in conspicuous type 1884 indicating that a turnover inspection report has not been 1885 completed, as applicable. (d) Milestone inspection, turnover inspection report, or 1886 1887 structural integrity reserve study.-If the association is required to have completed a milestone inspection as described 1888 1889 in s. 553.899, a turnover inspection report for a turnover 1890 inspection performed on or after July 1, 2023, or a structural 1891 integrity reserve study, and the association has not completed 1892 the milestone inspection, the turnover inspection report, or the 1893 structural integrity reserve study, each contract entered into 1894 after December 31, 2024, for the sale of a residential unit must 1895 contain in conspicuous type a statement indicating that the association is required to have a milestone inspection, a 1896 1897 turnover inspection report, or a structural integrity reserve 1898 study and has not completed such inspection, report, or study, 1899 as applicable. If the association is not required to have a milestone inspection as described in s. 553.899 or a structural 1900

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1901 integrity reserve study, each contract entered into after 1902 December 31, 2024, for the sale of a residential unit must 1903 contain in conspicuous type a statement indicating that the 1904 association is not required to have a milestone inspection or a 1905 structural integrity reserve study, as applicable. If the 1906 association has completed a milestone inspection as described in 1907 s. 553.899, a turnover inspection report for a turnover 1908 inspection performed on or after July 1, 2023, or a structural 1909 integrity reserve study, each contract entered into after 1910 December 31, 2024, for the sale of a residential unit must 1911 contain in conspicuous type: 1912 1913 THE BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE BUYER HAS BEEN 1914 PROVIDED A CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED 1915 SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS 1916 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF 1917 APPLICABLE; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT 1918 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 719.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA 1919 STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE 1920 ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE 1921 STUDY DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 719.103(24) AND 1922 719.106(1)(k), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE, MORE 1923 THAN 15 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL 1924 HOLIDAYS, BEFORE EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT. 1925

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1926	THIS AGREEMENT IS VOIDABLE BY THE BUYER BY DELIVERING
1927	WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL
1928	WITHIN 15 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND
1929	LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THIS
1930	AGREEMENT BY THE BUYER AND THE BUYER'S RECEIPT OF A
1931	CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE
1932	MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION
1933	553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; A COPY OF
1934	THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT DESCRIBED IN SECTION
1935	719.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF
1936	APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST
1937	RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
1938	SECTIONS 719.103(24) AND 719.106(1)(k), FLORIDA
1939	STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THESE
1940	VOIDABILITY RIGHTS SHALL BE OF NO EFFECT. THE BUYER
1941	MAY EXTEND THE TIME FOR CLOSING FOR UP TO 15 DAYS,
1942	EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS,
1943	AFTER THE BUYER RECEIVES A CURRENT COPY OF THE
1944	INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION
1945	REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA
1946	STATUTES; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT
1947	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 719.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA
1948	STATUTES; OR A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT
1949	STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
1950	SECTIONS 719.103(24) AND 719.106(1)(k), FLORIDA

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1951	STATUTES, IF REQUESTED IN WRITING. BUYER'S RIGHT TO
1952	VOID THIS AGREEMENT TERMINATES AT CLOSING.
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1954	A contract that does not conform to the requirements of this
1955	paragraph is voidable at the option of the purchaser before
1956	<u>closing.</u>
1957	(2) NONDEVELOPER DISCLOSURE
1958	(a) Each unit owner who is not a developer as defined by
1959	this chapter must comply with this subsection before the sale of
1960	his or her interest in the association. Each prospective
1961	purchaser who has entered into a contract for the purchase of an
1962	interest in a cooperative is entitled, at the seller's expense,
1963	to a current copy of all of the following:
1964	1. The articles of incorporation of the association.
1965	2. The bylaws and rules of the association.
1966	3. A copy of the question and answer sheet as provided in
1967	s. 719.504.
1968	4. A copy of the inspector-prepared summary of the
1969	milestone inspection report as described in <u>s. 553.899</u> ss.
1970	553.899 and 719.301(4)(p), if applicable.
1971	5. A copy of the association's most recent structural
1972	integrity reserve study or a statement that the association has
1973	not completed a structural integrity reserve study.
1974	6. A copy of the inspection report described in s.
1975	719.301(4)(p) and (q) for a turnover inspection performed on or
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1976	after July 1, 2023.
1977	(d) If the association is required to have completed a
1978	milestone inspection as described in s. 553.899, a turnover
1979	inspection report for a turnover inspection performed on or
1980	after July 1, 2023, or a structural integrity reserve study, and
1981	the association has not completed the milestone inspection, the
1982	turnover inspection report, or the structural integrity reserve
1983	study, each contract entered into after December 31, 2024, for
1984	the sale of a residential unit must contain in conspicuous type
1985	a statement indicating that the association is required to have
1986	<u>a milestone inspection, a turnover inspection report, or a</u>
1987	structural integrity reserve study and has not completed such
1988	inspection, report, or study, as applicable. If the association
1989	is not required to have a milestone inspection as described in
1990	s. 553.899 or a structural integrity reserve study, each
1991	contract entered into after December 31, 2024, for the sale of a
1992	residential unit must contain in conspicuous type a statement
1993	indicating that the association is not required to have a
1994	milestone inspection or a structural integrity reserve study, as
1995	applicable. If the association has completed a milestone
1996	inspection as described in s. 553.899, a turnover inspection
1997	report for a turnover inspection performed on or after July 1,
1998	2023, or a structural integrity reserve study, each contract
1999	entered into after December 31, 2024, for the resale of a
2000	residential unit must contain in conspicuous type:

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2002	THE BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE BUYER HAS BEEN
2003	PROVIDED A CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED
2004	SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS
2005	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF
2006	APPLICABLE; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT
2007	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 719.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA
2008	STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE
2009	ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE
2010	STUDY DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 719.103(24) AND
2011	719.106(1)(k), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE, MORE
2012	THAN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL
2013	HOLIDAYS, BEFORE THE EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT.
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2015	THIS AGREEMENT IS VOIDABLE BY THE BUYER BY DELIVERING
2016	WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL
2017	WITHIN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL
2018	HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THIS
2019	AGREEMENT BY THE BUYER AND THE BUYER'S RECEIPT OF A
2020	CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE
2021	MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION
2022	553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; A COPY OF
2023	THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT DESCRIBED IN SECTION
2024	719.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF
2025	APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST
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2026	RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
2027	SECTIONS 719.103(24) AND 719.106(1)(k), FLORIDA
2028	STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THESE
2029	VOIDABILITY RIGHTS SHALL BE OF NO EFFECT. THE BUYER
2030	MAY EXTEND THE TIME FOR CLOSING FOR UP TO 3 DAYS,
2031	EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS,
2032	AFTER THE BUYER RECEIVES A CURRENT COPY OF THE
2033	INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION
2034	REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA
2035	STATUTES; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT
2036	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 719.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA
2037	STATUTES; OR A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT
2038	STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN
2039	SECTIONS 719.103(24) AND 719.106(1)(k), FLORIDA
2040	STATUTES, IF REQUESTED IN WRITING. THE BUYER'S RIGHT
2041	TO VOID THIS AGREEMENT TERMINATES AT CLOSING.
2042	
2043	A contract that does not conform to the requirements of this
2044	paragraph is voidable at the option of the purchaser before
2045	closing.
2046	Section 17. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) and paragraph
2047	(c) of subsection (20) of section 719.504, Florida Statutes, are
2048	amended to read:
2049	719.504 Prospectus or offering circularEvery developer
2050	of a residential cooperative which contains more than 20
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2051 residential units, or which is part of a group of residential 2052 cooperatives which will be served by property to be used in 2053 common by unit owners of more than 20 residential units, shall prepare a prospectus or offering circular and file it with the 2054 2055 Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes 2056 prior to entering into an enforceable contract of purchase and 2057 sale of any unit or lease of a unit for more than 5 years and 2058 shall furnish a copy of the prospectus or offering circular to 2059 each buyer. In addition to the prospectus or offering circular, 2060 each buyer shall be furnished a separate page entitled 2061 "Frequently Asked Questions and Answers," which must be in 2062 accordance with a format approved by the division. This page 2063 must, in readable language: inform prospective purchasers 2064 regarding their voting rights and unit use restrictions, 2065 including restrictions on the leasing of a unit; indicate 2066 whether and in what amount the unit owners or the association is 2067 obligated to pay rent or land use fees for recreational or other 2068 commonly used facilities; contain a statement identifying that 2069 amount of assessment which, pursuant to the budget, would be 2070 levied upon each unit type, exclusive of any special 2071 assessments, and which identifies the basis upon which 2072 assessments are levied, whether monthly, quarterly, or 2073 otherwise; state and identify any court cases in which the 2074 association is currently a party of record in which the association may face liability in excess of \$100,000; and state 2075

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2076 whether membership in a recreational facilities association is 2077 mandatory and, if so, identify the fees currently charged per 2078 unit type. The division shall by rule require such other 2079 disclosure as in its judgment will assist prospective 2080 purchasers. The prospectus or offering circular may include more 2081 than one cooperative, although not all such units are being 2082 offered for sale as of the date of the prospectus or offering 2083 circular. The prospectus or offering circular must contain the 2084 following information:

(7) A description of the recreational and other facilities that will be used in common with other cooperatives, community associations, or planned developments which require the payment of the maintenance and expenses of such facilities, directly or indirectly, by the unit owners. The description shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) Each building and facility committed to be built <u>and a</u> summary description of the structural integrity of each building for which reserves are required pursuant to s. 719.106(1)(k).

2095 Descriptions shall include location, areas, capacities, numbers, 2096 volumes, or sizes and may be stated as approximations or 2097 minimums.

(20) An estimated operating budget for the cooperative and
the association, and a schedule of the unit owner's expenses
shall be attached as an exhibit and shall contain the following

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2101	information:
2102	(c) The estimated items of expenses of the cooperative and
2103	the association, except as excluded under paragraph (b),
2104	including, but not limited to, the following items, which shall
2105	be stated as an association expense collectible by assessments
2106	or as unit owners' expenses payable to persons other than the
2107	association:
2108	1. Expenses for the association and cooperative:
2109	a. Administration of the association.
2110	b. Management fees.
2111	c. Maintenance.
2112	d. Rent for recreational and other commonly used areas.
2113	e. Taxes upon association property.
2114	f. Taxes upon leased areas.
2115	g. Insurance.
2116	h. Security provisions.
2117	i. Other expenses.
2118	j. Operating capital.
2119	k. Reserves for all applicable items referenced in s.
2120	<u>719.106(1)(k)</u> .
2121	1. Fee payable to the division.
2122	2. Expenses for a unit owner:
2123	a. Rent for the unit, if subject to a lease.
2124	b. Rent payable by the unit owner directly to the lessor
2125	or agent under any recreational lease or lease for the use of

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2126 commonly used areas, which use and payment are a mandatory 2127 condition of ownership and are not included in the common 2128 expense or assessments for common maintenance paid by the unit 2129 owners to the association. 2130 Section 18. Subsection (2) of section 558.002, Florida 2131 Statutes, is amended to read: 2132 558.002 Definitions.-As used in this chapter, the term: 2133 "Association" has the same meaning as in s. 718.103, (2) 2134 s. 719.103 s. 718.103(2), s. 719.103(2), s. 720.301(9), or s. 2135 723.075. 2136 Section 19. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 2137 718.116, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 2138 718.116 Assessments; liability; lien and priority; 2139 interest; collection.-2140 (1)2141 (b)1. The liability of a first mortgagee or its successor 2142 or assignees who acquire title to a unit by foreclosure or by 2143 deed in lieu of foreclosure for the unpaid assessments that 2144 became due before the mortgagee's acquisition of title is 2145 limited to the lesser of: 2146 The unit's unpaid common expenses and regular periodic a. 2147 assessments which accrued or came due during the 12 months 2148 immediately preceding the acquisition of title and for which 2149 payment in full has not been received by the association; or b. One percent of the original mortgage debt. The 2150

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2151	provisions of this paragraph apply only if the first mortgagee
2152	joined the association as a defendant in the foreclosure action.
2153	Joinder of the association is not required if, on the date the
2154	complaint is filed, the association was dissolved or did not
2155	maintain an office or agent for service of process at a location
2156	which was known to or reasonably discoverable by the mortgagee.
2157	2. An association, or its successor or assignee, that
2158	acquires title to a unit through the foreclosure of its lien for
2159	assessments is not liable for any unpaid assessments, late fees,
2160	interest, or reasonable attorney's fees and costs that came due
2161	before the association's acquisition of title in favor of any
2162	other association, as defined in <u>s. 718.103</u> s. $718.103(2)$ or s.
2163	720.301(9), which holds a superior lien interest on the unit.
2164	This subparagraph is intended to clarify existing law.
2165	Section 20. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section
2166	720.3085, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
2167	720.3085 Payment for assessments; lien claims
2168	(2)
2169	(d) An association, or its successor or assignee, that
2170	acquires title to a parcel through the foreclosure of its lien
2171	for assessments is not liable for any unpaid assessments, late
2172	fees, interest, or reasonable attorney's fees and costs that
2173	came due before the association's acquisition of title in favor
2174	of any other association, as defined in <u>s. 718.103</u> s. 718.103(2)
2175	or s. 720.301(9), which holds a superior lien interest on the

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2176 parcel. This paragraph is intended to clarify existing law. 2177 Section 21. Effective July 1, 2027, for the purpose of 2178 incorporating the amendments made by this act to section 2179 718.1255, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 2180 719.1255, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read: 2181 719.1255 Alternative resolution of disputes.-The Division 2182 of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the 2183 Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall provide 2184 for alternative dispute resolution in accordance with s. 2185 718.1255. 2186 Section 22. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 2187 718.501, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read: 2188 718.501 Authority, responsibility, and duties of Division 2189 of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes.-2190 The division may enforce and ensure compliance with (1)2191 this chapter and rules relating to the development, 2192 construction, sale, lease, ownership, operation, and management 2193 of residential condominium units and complaints related to the 2194 procedural completion of milestone inspections under s. 553.899. 2195 In performing its duties, the division has complete jurisdiction 2196 to investigate complaints and enforce compliance with respect to 2197 associations that are still under developer control or the 2198 control of a bulk assignee or bulk buyer pursuant to part VII of 2199 this chapter and complaints against developers, bulk assignees, or bulk buyers involving improper turnover or failure to 2200

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2201 turnover, pursuant to s. 718.301. However, after turnover has 2202 occurred, the division has jurisdiction to investigate 2203 complaints related only to financial issues, elections, and the 2204 maintenance of and unit owner access to association records 2205 under s. 718.111(12), and the procedural completion of 2206 structural integrity reserve studies under s. 718.112(2)(g).

(f) The division may adopt rules to administer and enforce this chapter.

2209 Section 23. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 2210 719.501, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2211719.501Powers and duties of Division of Florida2212Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes.-

The Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and 2213 (1)2214 Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional 2215 Regulation, referred to as the "division" in this part, in 2216 addition to other powers and duties prescribed by chapter 718, 2217 has the power to enforce and ensure compliance with this chapter 2218 and adopted rules relating to the development, construction, 2219 sale, lease, ownership, operation, and management of residential 2220 cooperative units; complaints related to the procedural 2221 completion of the structural integrity reserve studies under s. 2222 719.106(1)(k); and complaints related to the procedural 2223 completion of milestone inspections under s. 553.899. In 2224 performing its duties, the division shall have the following 2225 powers and duties:

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2226 (f) The division has authority to adopt rules pursuant to 2227 ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement and enforce the 2228 provisions of this chapter. 2229 Section 24. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the sums of 2230 \$1,301,928 in recurring funds and \$67,193 in nonrecurring funds 2231 from the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and 2232 Mobile Homes Trust Fund are appropriated to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and 10 full-time 2233 2234 equivalent positions with associated salary rate of 487,264 are 2235 authorized for the purpose of implementing this act. 2236 Section 25. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 2237 act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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