A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MORTGAGE FORECLOSURES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Section 667-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	"§667-5 Foreclosure under power of sale; notice; affidavit
4	after sale. (a) When a power of sale is contained in a
5	mortgage, and where the mortgagee, [or] the mortgagee's
6	successor in interest, or any person authorized by the power to
7	act in the premises, [may, upon a breach of the condition, give]
8	desires to foreclose under power of sale upon breach of a
9	condition of the mortgage, the mortgagee, successor, or person
10	shall be represented by an attorney who is licensed to practice
11	law in the State and is physically located in the State. The
12	attorney shall:
13	(1) Give notice of the mortgagee's, successor's, or
14	person's intention to foreclose the mortgage and of
15	the sale of the mortgaged property, by publication of
16	the notice once in each of three successive weeks
17	(three publications), the last publication to be not
18	less than fourteen days before the day of sale, in a

1		newspaper having a general circulation in the county
2		in which the mortgaged property lies; and [also give
3		such]
4	(2)	Give any notices and do all [such] acts as are
5		authorized or required by the power contained in the
6		mortgage.
7	<u>(b)</u>	Copies of the notice required under subsection (a)
8	shall be	[filed]:
9	(1)	Filed with the state director of taxation; and [shall
10		be posted]
11	(2)	Posted on the premises not less than twenty-one days
12		before the day of sale.
13	<u>(c)</u>	Upon a written request made by any person who is
14	entitled	to notice pursuant to section 667-5, 667-5.5, or 667-6,
15	the attor	ney or the mortgagee, successor, or person represented
16	by the at	torney shall provide:
17	(1)	Within five business days of the request, the amount
18		to cure the default, together with the estimated
19		amount of the foreclosing mortgagee's attorneys' fees
20		and costs, and all other fees and costs estimated to
21		be incurred by the foreclosing mortgagee related to
22		the default prior to the auction; and

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1 Within business days of the auction, the sale (2)2 price of the mortgaged property once auctioned. 3 (d) Any sale, of which notice has been given as aforesaid, may be postponed from time to time by public announcement made 4 by the mortgagee or by some person acting on the mortgagee's 5 behalf. Upon request made by any person who is entitled to 6 7 notice pursuant to section 667-5, 667-5.5, or 667-6, the 8 mortgagee or person acting on the mortgagee's behalf shall 9 provide the date and time of a postponed auction, or if the 10 auction is cancelled, information that the auction was 11 cancelled. The mortgagee [shall,] within thirty days after 12 selling the property in pursuance of the power, shall file a copy of the notice of sale and the mortgagee's affidavit, 13 setting forth the mortgagee's acts in the premises fully and 14 15 particularly, in the bureau of conveyances. 16 (e) The affidavit and copy of the notice shall be recorded 17 and indexed by the registrar, in the manner provided in chapter 18 501 or 502, as the case may be. 19 (f) This section is inapplicable if the mortgagee is 20 foreclosing as to personal property only." 21 SECTION 2. Section 667-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

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amended to read as follows:

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         "§667-7 Notice, [construction,] contents; affidavit.
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    The [true intent and meaning of section 667-5 is that the]
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    notice of intention of foreclosure [\frac{may}{also}] shall contain [\frac{a}{a}]:
         (1) A description of the mortgaged property; and \left[\frac{a}{a}\right]
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         (2) A statement of the time and place proposed for the
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               sale thereof at any time after the expiration of four
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               weeks from the date when first advertised [; and also
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               that the].
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              The affidavit [contemplated by] described under
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    section 667-5 may lawfully be made by any person duly authorized
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    to act for the mortgagee, and in such capacity conducting the
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    foreclosure."
         SECTION 3. Section 667-22, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
               When the mortgagor or the borrower has breached the
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    mortgage agreement, and when the foreclosing mortgagee intends
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    to conduct a power of sale foreclosure under this part, the
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    foreclosing mortgagee shall prepare a written notice of default
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    addressed to the mortgagor, the borrower, and any guarantor.
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    The notice of default shall state:
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The name and address of the current mortgagee;

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1	(2)	The name and last known address of the mortgagor, the
2		borrower, and any guarantor;
3	(3)	The address or a description of the location of the
4		mortgaged property, and the tax map key number of the

mortgaged property;

- (4) The description of the default, and if the default is a monetary default, an itemization of the delinquent amount shall be given;
 - (5) The action that must be taken to cure the default, including the amount to cure the default, together with the estimated amount of the foreclosing mortgagee's attorney's fees and costs, and all other fees and costs estimated to be incurred by the foreclosing mortgagee related to the default by the deadline date;
 - (6) The date by which the default must be cured, which deadline date shall be at least sixty days after the date of the notice of default;
- (7) That if the default is not cured by the deadline date stated in the notice of default, the entire unpaid balance of the moneys owed to the mortgagee under the mortgage agreement will be due, that the mortgagee



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1		intends to conduct a power of sale foreclosure to sell
2		the mortgaged property at a public sale without any
3		court action and without going to court, and that the
4		mortgagee or any other person may acquire the
5		mortgaged property at the public sale; and
6	(8)	The name, address [in the State], including electronic
7		address, and [the] telephone number [in the State] of
8		the [person] attorney who is representing the
9		foreclosing mortgagee[.]; provided that the attorney
10		shall be licensed to practice law in the State and
11		physically located in the State."
12	SECT	ION 4. Section 667-28, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
14	"(a)	The public sale may be either postponed or canceled
15	by the fo	reclosing mortgagee. Notice of the postponement or the
16	cancellat	ion of the public sale shall be [announced]:
17	(1)	Announced by the foreclosing mortgagee at the date,
18		time, and place of the last scheduled public sale $[\div]$
19		and
20	(2)	Provided, upon request, to any other person who is
21		entitled to receive the notice of default under
22		section 667-22(c)."

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SECTION 5. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
begun, before its effective date.

SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Mortgage Foreclosures; Non-Judicial Foreclosures

Description:

Amends certain sections of the mortgage foreclosures law to ensure that consumers and others receive important information regarding a foreclosure in a timely manner.