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#### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

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June 3, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on June 3, 2008, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2454 SD1 HD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MORTGAGE FORECLOSURES. (ACT 138)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

Approved by the Governor
JUN 3 2008

THE SENATE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2008 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 138
S.B. NO. 2454
S.D. H.D.

## 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

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

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

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

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1	( <b>1</b> )	The name and address of the current mortgagee;
2	(2)	The name and last known address of the mortgagor, the
3		borrower, and any guarantor;
4	(3)	The address or a description of the location of the
5		mortgaged property, and the tax map key number of the
6		mortgaged property;
7	(4)	The description of the default, and if the default is
8		a monetary default, an itemization of the delinquent
9		amount shall be given;
10	(5)	The action that must be taken to cure the default,
11		including the amount to cure the default, together
12		with the estimated amount of the foreclosing
13		mortgagee's attorney's fees and costs, and all other
14		fees and costs estimated to be incurred by the
15		foreclosing mortgagee related to the default by the
16		deadline date;
17	(6)	The date by which the default must be cured, which
18		deadline date shall be at least sixty days after the
19		date of the notice of default;
20	(7)	That if the default is not cured by the deadline date
21		stated in the notice of default, the entire unpaid
22		balance of the moneys owed to the mortgagee under the

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

1	(2) Provided, upon request, to any other person who is
2	entitled to receive the notice of default under
3	section 667-22(c)."
4	SECTION 5. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
5	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
6	begun, before its effective date.
7	SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
9	SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 3 day of JUN , 2008

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII