A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FORECLOSURES.

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

1	PART I
2	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 162, Session
3	Laws of Hawaii 2010, established a mortgage foreclosure task
4	force to develop policies and procedures to improve the way
5	mortgage foreclosures are conducted in the State. Act 162
6	required the task force to submit its findings and
7	recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
8	legislature for the regular sessions of 2011 and 2012.
9	The task force held several public meetings over the
10	legislative interim of 2010 to discuss the various items for
11	review raised under Act 162. Based upon these discussions, the
12	task force adopted recommendations, including proposed
13	legislation, in its report to the legislature for the regular
14	session of 2011. Some of the task force's recommendations were
15	included in Act 48, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011, a far-reaching
16	mortgage foreclosure reform measure that, among other things:

1	(1)	Temporarily authorized mortgagors who are occupying,
2		as a primary residence, real property that is subject
3		to nonjudicial foreclosure to either:
4		(A) Participate in the mortgage foreclosure dispute
5		resolution program established under Act 48; or
6		(B) Convert the nonjudicial foreclosure to a judicial
7		foreclosure;
8	(2)	Imposed a temporary moratorium on all new nonjudicial
9		foreclosures conducted under part I of chapter 667,
10		Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
11	(3)	Specified prohibited conduct and consequences of
12	•	violations for foreclosing mortgagees, including
13		making any violation of the mortgage foreclosure law
14		under chapter 667, Hawaii Revised Statutes, an unfair
15		or deceptive act or practice subject to the enhanced
16		penalties under chapter 480, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
17	The	task force met again over several public meetings
18	during the	e legislative interim of 2011 to continue its work
19	under Act	162. The focus of these meetings was divided among
20	these maj	or issues:
21	(1)	The new mortgage foreclosure provisions of Act 48,

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Session Laws of Hawaii 2011;

1	(2)	Matters involving condominium and other homeowner
2		associations, including association liens and the
3		collection of unpaid assessments; and
4	(3)	Mortgage foreclosure counseling and dispute resolution
5	•	issues.
6	Based upo	n its deliberations on these issues, the task force
7	adopted f	urther recommendations in its report to the legislature
8	for the r	egular session of 2012.
9	The	purpose of this Act is to implement the recommendations
10	of the mo	rtgage foreclosure task force submitted to the
l 1	legislatu	re for the regular session of 2012, and other best
12	practices	to address mortgage foreclosures and related issues.
13		PART II
L4	SECT	ION 2. Chapter 421J, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

- 1. By adding two new sections to be appropriately
- 17 designated and to read:

amended as follows:

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18 "S421J-A Association fiscal matters; lien for assessments.

- 19 (a) All sums assessed by the association but unpaid for the
- 20 share of the assessments chargeable to any unit shall constitute
- 21 a lien on the unit with the priority stated in the association
- 22 documents. If the association documents do not provide for a



1	lien, the	association's lien on the unit shall have priority
2	over all	other liens, except:
3	(1)	Liens for taxes and assessments lawfully imposed by
4		governmental authority against the unit;
5	(2)	All sums unpaid on any mortgage of record that was
6		recorded prior to the recordation of a notice of a
7		lien by the association and any costs and expenses,
8		including attorneys' fees, provided in such mortgages;
9		<u>and</u>
10	(3)	Liens of a condominium association that are secured by
11		the unit;
12	provided	that a lien recorded by the association shall expire
13	two years	from the date of recordation unless renewed by the
14	associati	on prior to the expiration of the lien.
15	<u>The</u>	lien of the association may be foreclosed by action or
16	by nonjud	icial or power of sale foreclosure procedures set forth
17	in chapte	r 667, by the managing agent or board, acting on behalf
18	of the as	sociation; provided that no association may foreclose a
19	lien agai:	nst any unit that arises solely from fines, penalties,
20	legal fee	s, or late fees. In any association foreclosure, the
21	unit owne	r shall be required to pay a reasonable rental for the
22	unit, if	so provided in the association documents or the law,



- 1 and the plaintiff in the foreclosure shall be entitled to the
- 2 appointment of a receiver to collect the rental owed by the unit
- 3 owner or any tenant of the unit. If the association is the
- 4 plaintiff, it may request that its managing agent be appointed
- 5 as receiver to collect the rental from the tenant. The managing
- 6 agent or board, acting on behalf of the association, may bid on
- 7 the unit at foreclosure sale and acquire and hold, lease,
- 8 mortgage, and convey the unit. Action to recover a money
- 9 judgment for unpaid assessments shall be maintainable without
- 10 foreclosing or waiving the lien securing the unpaid assessments
- 11 owed.
- 12 (b) Except as provided in subsection (g), when the
- 13 mortgagee of a mortgage of record or other purchaser of a unit
- 14 obtains title to the unit as a result of foreclosure of the
- 15 mortgage, the acquirer of title and the acquirer's successors
- 16 and assigns shall not be liable for the share of the assessments
- 17 by the association chargeable to the unit that became due prior
- 18 to the acquisition of title to the unit by the acquirer. The
- 19 unpaid share of assessments shall be deemed to be assessments
- 20 collectible from all of the unit owners, including the acquirer
- 21 and the acquirer's successors and assigns. The mortgagee of
- 22 record or other purchaser of the unit shall be deemed to acquire



1	title and	shall be required to pay the unit's share of
2	assessmen	ts beginning:
3	(1)	Thirty-six days after the order confirming the sale to
4		the purchaser has been filed with the court;
5	(2)	Sixty days after the hearing at which the court grants
6		the motion to confirm the sale to the purchaser;
7	(3)	Thirty days after the public sale in a nonjudicial
8		power of sale foreclosure conducted pursuant to
9		chapter 667; or
10	(4)	Upon the recording of the instrument of conveyance;
11	whichever	occurs first; provided that the mortgagee of record or
12	other pur	chaser of the unit shall not be deemed to acquire title
13	under para	agraph (1), (2), or (3), if transfer of title is
14	delayed pa	ast the thirty-six days specified in paragraph (1), the
15	sixty days	s specified in paragraph (2), or the thirty days
16	specified	in paragraph (3), when a person who appears at the
17	hearing or	n the motion or a party to the foreclosure action
18	requests :	reconsideration of the motion or order to confirm sale,
19	objects to	o the form of the proposed order to confirm sale,
20	appeals th	he decision of the court to grant the motion to confirm
21	sale, or	the debtor or mortgagor declares bankruptcy or is
22	involunta	rily placed into bankruptcy. In any such case, the
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1	mortgagee	of record or other purchaser of the unit shall be
2	deemed to	acquire title upon recordation of the instrument of
3	conveyanc	<u>e.</u>
4	(c)	Except as provided in section 667-B(c), no unit owner
5	shall wit	hhold any assessment claimed by the association. A
6	unit owne	r who disputes the amount of an assessment may request
7	a written	statement clearly indicating:
8	(1)	The amount of regular and special assessments included
9		in the assessment, including the due date of each
10		amount claimed;
11	(2)	The amount of any penalty, late fee, lien filing fee,
12		and any other charge included in the assessment;
13	<u>(3)</u>	The amount of attorneys' fees and costs, if any,
14		included in the assessment;
15	(4)	That under Hawaii law, a unit owner has no right to
16		withhold assessments for any reason;
17	<u>(5)</u>	That a unit owner has a right to demand mediation to
18		resolve disputes about the amount or validity of an
19		association's assessment; provided that the unit owner
20		immediately pays the assessment in full and keeps
21		assessments current; and

1	(6) That payment in full of the assessment does not
2	prevent the unit owner from contesting the assessment
3	or receiving a refund of amounts not owed.
4	Nothing in this section shall limit the rights of a unit owner
5	to the protection of all fair debt collection procedures
6	mandated under federal and state law.
7	(d) A unit owner who pays an association the full amount
8	claimed by the association may file a claim against the
9	association in court or require the association to mediate under
10	section 421J-13 to resolve any disputes concerning the amount or
11	validity of the association's claim.
12	(e) In conjunction with or as an alternative to
13	foreclosure proceedings under subsection (a), where a unit is
14	owner-occupied, the association may authorize its managing agent
15	or board, after sixty days written notice to the unit owner and
16	to the unit's first mortgagee of the nonpayment of the unit's
17	share of the assessments, to terminate the delinquent unit's
18	access to the common elements and cease supplying a delinquent
19	unit with any and all services normally supplied or paid for by
20	the association. Any terminated services and privileges shall
21	be restored upon payment of all delinquent assessments, but need
22	not be restored until payment in full is received.



1	<u>(f)</u>	Before the board or managing agent may take the
2	actions p	ermitted under subsection (e), the board shall adopt a
3	written p	olicy providing for such actions and have the policy
4	approved	by a majority vote of the unit owners at an annual or
5	special m	eeting of the association or by the written consent of
6	a majorit	y of the unit owners unless the association documents
7	already p	ermit the process.
8	<u>(g)</u>	Subject to this subsection and subsections (h) and
9	(i), the	board may specially assess the amount of the unpaid
10	regular m	onthly common assessments for assessments against a
11	person wh	o, in a judicial or nonjudicial power of sale
12	foreclosu	re, purchases a delinquent unit; provided that:
13	(1)	A purchaser who holds a mortgage on a delinquent unit
14		that was recorded prior to the filing of a notice of
15		lien by the association and who acquires the
16		delinquent unit through a judicial or nonjudicial
17		foreclosure proceeding, including purchasing the
18		delinquent unit at a foreclosure auction, shall not be
19		obligated to make, nor be liable for, payment of the
20		special assessment as provided for under this
21		subsection; and

1	<u>(2)</u>	A person who subsequently purchases the delinquent
2		unit from the mortgagee referred to in paragraph (1)
3		shall be obligated to make, and shall be liable for,
4		payment of the special assessment provided for under
5		this subsection; and provided further that the
6		mortgagee or subsequent purchaser may require the
7		association to provide, at no charge, a notice of the
8		association's intent to claim a lien against the
9		delinquent unit for the amount of the special
10		assessment, prior to the subsequent purchaser's
11		acquisition of title to the delinquent unit. The
12		notice shall state the amount of the special
13		assessment, how that amount was calculated, and the
14		legal description of the unit.
15	(h)	The amount of the special assessment assessed under
16	subsection	n (g) shall not exceed the total amount of unpaid
17	regular mo	onthly common assessments that were assessed during the
18	twelve mon	nths immediately preceding the completion of the
19	judicial o	or nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure.
20	<u>(i)</u>	For purposes of subsections (g) and (h), the following
21	definition	ns shall apply, unless the context requires otherwise:

1	"Con	pletion" means:
2	(1)	In a nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure, when the
3		affidavit required under section 667-33 is recorded;
4		and
5	(2)	In a judicial foreclosure, when a purchaser is deemed
6		to acquire title pursuant to subsection (b).
7	"Reg	rular monthly common assessments" does not include:
8	(1)	Any other special assessment, except for a special
9		assessment imposed on all units as part of a budget
10		adopted pursuant to the association documents;
11	(2)	Late charges, fines, or penalties;
12	(3)	Interest assessed by the association;
13	(4)	Any lien arising out of the assessment; or
14	(5)	Any fees or costs related to the collection or
15		enforcement of the assessment, including attorneys'
16		fees and court costs.
17	(j)	The cost of a release of any lien filed pursuant to
18	this sect	ion shall be paid by the party requesting the release.
19	<u>§421</u>	J-B Association fiscal matters; collection of unpaid
20	assessmen	ts from tenants or rental agents. (a) If a unit owner
21	rents or	leases the unit and is in default for thirty days or
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1	assessments, the board, for as long as the default continues,
2	may demand in writing and receive each month from any tenant
3	occupying the unit or rental agent renting the unit, an amount
4	sufficient to pay all sums due from the unit owner to the
5	association, including interest, if any, but the amount shall
6	not exceed the tenant's rent due each month. The tenant's
7	payment under this section shall discharge that amount of
8	payment from the tenant's rent obligation, and any contractual
9	provision to the contrary shall be void as a matter of law.
10	(b) Before taking any action under this section, the board
11	shall give to the delinquent unit owner written notice of its
12	intent to collect the rent owed. The notice shall:
13	(1) Be sent both by first-class and certified mail;
14	(2) Set forth the exact amount the association claims is
15	due and owing by the unit owner; and
16	(3) Indicate the intent of the board to collect such
17	amount from the rent, along with any other amounts
18	that become due and remain unpaid.

- (c) The unit owner shall not take any retaliatory action
 against the tenant for payments made under this section.
- (d) The payment of any portion of the unit's share of
 regular assessments by the tenant pursuant to a written demand

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- 1 by the board is a complete defense, to the extent of the amount
- 2 demanded and paid by the tenant, in an action for nonpayment of
- 3 rent brought by the unit owner against a tenant.
- 4 (e) The board may not demand payment from the tenant
- 5 pursuant to this section if:
- 6 (1) A commissioner or receiver has been appointed to take
- 7 charge of the premises pending a mortgage foreclosure;
- 8 (2) A mortgagee is in possession pending a mortgage
- 9 foreclosure; or
- 10 (3) The tenant is served with a court order directing
- 11 payment to a third party.
- 12 (f) In the event of any conflict between this section and
- 13 any provision of chapter 521, the conflict shall be resolved in
- 14 favor of this section; provided that if the tenant is entitled
- 15 'to an offset of rent under chapter 521, the tenant may deduct
- 16 the offset from the amount due to the association, up to the
- 17 limits stated in chapter 521. Nothing herein precludes the unit
- 18 owner or tenant from seeking equitable relief from a court of
- 19 competent jurisdiction or seeking a judicial determination of
- 20 the amount owed.
- 21 (g) Before the board may take the actions permitted under
- 22 subsection (a), the board shall adopt a written policy providing

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- 1 for the actions and have the policy approved by a majority vote
- 2 of the unit owners at an annual or special meeting of the
- 3 association or by the written consent of a quorum of the unit
- 4 owners."
- 5 2. By adding a new definition to section 421J-2 to be
- 6 appropriately inserted and to read:
- 7 ""Assessment" means funds collected by an association from
- 8 association members to operate and manage the association,
- 9 maintain property within the planned community for the common
- 10 use or benefit of association members, or provide services to
- 11 association members."
- 12 SECTION 3. Chapter 667, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 13 amended as follows:
- 14 1. By adding a new part I to read:
- 15 "PART I. GENERAL PROVISIONS
- 16 §667-1 Definitions. As used in this chapter:
- 17 "Approved budget and credit counselor" means a Hawaii-based
- 18 budget and credit counseling agency that has received approval
- 19 from a United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator to
- 20 provide instructional courses concerning personal financial
- 21 management pursuant to title 11 United States Code section 111.

- 1 "Approved housing counselor" means a Hawaii-based housing
- 2 counseling agency that has received approval from the United
- 3 States Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide
- 4 housing counseling services pursuant to section 106(a)(2) of the
- 5 Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, title 12 United
- 6 States Code section 1701x, as the agency appears on the United
- 7 States Department of Housing and Urban Development website.
- 8 "Assessment" has the same meaning as "assessment" in
- 9 chapter 421J and "common expense" in chapter 514B.
- 10 "Association" has the same meaning as defined in sections
- 11 421J-2 and 514B-3.
- 12 "Association documents" has the same meaning as defined in
- 13 section 421J-2 and includes the "declaration" defined in section
- 14 514B-3 and the "bylaws" described in section 514B-108,
- 15 respectively.
- 16 "Association lien" has the same meaning as the lien
- 17 established under section 421J-A or 514B-146.
- 18 "Borrower" means the borrower, maker, cosigner, or
- 19 guarantor under a mortgage agreement.
- 20 "Department" means the department of commerce and consumer
- 21 affairs.

- 1 "Director" means the director of commerce and consumer
- 2 affairs.
- 3 "Dispute resolution" means a facilitated negotiation under
- 4 part V between a mortgagor and mortgagee for the purpose of
- 5 reaching an agreement for mortgage loan modification or other
- 6 agreement in an attempt to avoid foreclosure or to mitigate
- 7 damages if foreclosure is unavoidable.
- 8 "Foreclosure notice" means notice of default and intention
- 9 to foreclose prepared pursuant to section 667-22.
- 10 "Mailed" means to be sent by first class mail, postage
- 11 prepaid, unless otherwise expressly directed in this chapter.
- 12 "Mortgage" means a mortgage, security agreement, or other
- 13 document under which property is mortgaged, encumbered, pledged,
- 14 or otherwise rendered subject to a lien for the purpose of
- 15 securing the payment of money or the performance of an
- 16 obligation.
- 17 "Mortgage agreement" includes the mortgage, the note or
- 18 debt document, or any document amending any of the foregoing.
- 19 "Mortgaged property" means the property that is subject to
- 20 the lien of the mortgage.

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- 1 "Mortgagee" means the current holder of record of the
- 2 mortgagee's or the lender's interest under the mortgage or the
- 3 current mortgagee's or lender's duly authorized agent.
- 4 "Mortgagor" means the mortgagor or borrower named in the
- 5 mortgage and, unless the context otherwise indicates, includes
- 6 the current owner of record of the mortgaged property whose
- 7 interest is subject to the mortgage.
- 8 "Neutral" means a person who is a dispute resolution
- 9 specialist assigned to facilitate the dispute resolution process
- 10 required by part V...
- 11 "Nonjudicial foreclosure" means foreclosure under power of
- 12 sale.
- "Open house" means a public showing of the mortgaged
- 14 property during a scheduled time period.
- "Owner-occupant" means a person, at the time that a notice
- 16 of default and intention to foreclose is served on the mortgagor
- 17 under the power of sale:
- 18 (1) Who owns an interest in the residential property, and
- 19 the interest is encumbered by the mortgage being
- foreclosed; and
- 21 (2) For whom the residential property is and has been the
- 22 person's primary residence for a continuous period of



- not less than two hundred days immediately preceding the date on which the notice is served.
- 3 "Power of sale" or "power of sale foreclosure" means a
- 4 nonjudicial foreclosure when the mortgage contains, authorizes,
- 5 permits, or provides for a power of sale, a power of sale
- 6 foreclosure, a power of sale remedy, or a nonjudicial
- 7 foreclosure.
- 8 "Property" means property (real, personal, or mixed), an
- 9 interest in property (including fee simple, leasehold, life
- 10 estate, reversionary interest, and any other estate under
- 11 applicable law), or other interests that can be subject to the
- 12 lien of a mortgage.
- 13 "Record" means to record or file a document in the office
- 14 of the assistant registrar of the land court under chapter 501
- 15 or to record a document in the bureau of conveyances under
- 16 chapter 502, or both, as applicable.
- 17 "Residential property" means real property that is improved
- 18 and used for residential purposes.
- 19 "Serve", when referring to providing notice of intention to
- 20 foreclose or notice of default and intention to foreclose
- 21 pursuant to a nonjudicial foreclosure, means to have service of
- 22 the notice of default and intention to foreclose made in



- 1 accordance with the service of process or the service of summons
- 2 under the Hawaii rules of civil procedure and under sections
- 3 634-35 and 634-36, excluding however, any return or affidavit of
- 4 service obligations required therein.
- 5 "Time share interest" has the same meaning as in section
- 6 514E-1.
- 7 "Unit" has the same meaning as in sections 421J-2 and 514B-
- **8** 3.
- 9 "Unit owner" has the same meaning as "member" in section
- 10 421J-2 and "unit owner" in section 514B-3."
- 11 2. By adding a new part to be appropriately designated and
- 12 to read:
- 13 "PART . ASSOCIATION ALTERNATE POWER OF SALE
- 14 FORECLOSURE PROCESS
- 15 §667-A Alternate power of sale process. The process in
- 16 this part is an alternative power of sale process for
- 17 associations to the foreclosure by action and the foreclosure by
- 18 power of sale in part IA.
- 19 §667-B Notice of default and intention to foreclose;
- 20 contents; distribution; alternative remedies for failure to
- 21 serve. (a) When a unit owner has failed to pay an assessment,
- 22 and when the association intends to conduct a power of sale



- 1 foreclosure under this part, the association shall prepare a
- 2 written notice of default and intention to foreclose addressed
- 3 to the unit owner. The notice of default and intention to
- 4 foreclose shall state:
- 5 (1) The name and address of the association;
- 6 (2) The name and last known address of the unit owners;
- (3) With respect to the unit, the address or a description
 of its location, tax map key number, and certificate
- 9 of title or transfer certificate of title number if
- 10 registered in the land court;
- 11 (4) The description of the default or, if the default is a
- monetary default, an itemization of the delinquent
- 13 amount;
- 14 (5) The action required to cure the default, including the
- delinquent amount and the estimated amount of the
- 16 association's attorney's fees and costs, and all other
- 17 fees and costs related to the default estimated to be
- incurred by the association by the deadline date;
- 19 (6) The date by which the default must be cured, which
- 20 shall be within sixty days after service of the notice
- of default and intention to foreclose;

1	(7)	A statement that if the default is not cured by the
2		deadline date stated in the notice of default and
3		intention to foreclose, the entire unpaid balance of
4		the moneys owed to the association will become due,
5		that the association intends to conduct a power of
6		sale foreclosure to sell the unit at a public sale
7		without any court action and without going to court,
8		and that the association or any other person may
9		acquire the unit at the public sale;
10	(8)	The name, address, electronic address, and telephone
11		number of the attorney who is representing the
12		association; provided that the attorney shall be
13		licensed to practice law in the State and physically
14		located in the State; and
15	(9)	Notice of the right of the unit owner to submit a
16		payment plan within thirty days pursuant to subsection
17		(c).
18	(b)	The notice of default and intention to foreclose shall
19	also cont	ain wording substantially similar to the following in

all capital letters and printed in not less than fourteen-point

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font:

1	"IF THE DEFAULT ON THE PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS
2	CONTINUES AFTER THE DEADLINE DATE IN THIS NOTICE, THE
3	UNIT MAY BE FORECLOSED AND SOLD WITHOUT ANY COURT
4	ACTION AND WITHOUT GOING TO COURT.
5	YOU MAY HAVE CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS OR DEFENSES.
6	FOR ADVICE, YOU SHOULD CONSULT WITH AN ATTORNEY
7	LICENSED IN THIS STATE.
8	ALL FUTURE NOTICES AND CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE
9	MAILED TO YOU AT THE ADDRESS AT WHICH YOU RECEIVED
10	THIS NOTICE UNLESS YOU SEND WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS TO
11	THIS OFFICE INFORMING THIS OFFICE OF A DIFFERENT
12	ADDRESS. THE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE SENT TO
13	THIS OFFICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL, REGISTERED MAIL, OR
14	EXPRESS MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID AND RETURN RECEIPT
15	REQUESTED."
16	(c) A unit owner may submit a payment plan within thirty
17	days after service of a notice of default and intention to
18	foreclose on the unit owner. The unit owner shall submit the
19	payment plan to the association or its attorney by certified
20	mail return receipt requested or by hand delivery. A unit owner
21	may also cure the default within sixty days after service of a
22	notice of default and intention to foreclose on the unit owner

- 1 by paying the association the full amount of the default,
- 2 including the foreclosing association's attorneys' fees and
- 3 costs, and all other fees and costs related to the default that
- 4 are incurred or estimated to be incurred by the foreclosing
- 5 association. The association shall not reject a reasonable
- 6 payment plan. From and after the date that the unit owner gives
- 7 written notice to the association of its intent to cure the
- 8 default or timely submits a payment plan, any nonjudicial
- 9 foreclosure of the lien shall be stayed during the sixty-day
- 10 period to cure the default or during the term of the payment
- 11 plan or a longer period that is agreed upon by the parties. A
- 12 unit owner's failure to strictly perform any agreed-upon payment
- 13 plan shall entitle the association to pursue its remedies
- 14 without further delay.
- 15 For purposes of this section, "reasonable payment plan"
- 16 means a plan that provides for:
- **17** (1)Timely payment of all assessments that become due
- after the date that the payment plan is proposed; and 18
- (2) 19 Additional monthly payments of an amount sufficient to
- 20 cure the default, within a reasonable period under the
- 21 circumstances as determined by the board of directors
- 22 in its discretion; provided that a period of up to



1		twelve months shall be deemed reasonable; and provided
2		further that the board of directors shall have the
3		discretion to agree to a payment plan in excess of
4		twelve months.
5	(d)	The notice of default and intention to foreclose shall
6	also incl	ade contact information for approved housing counselors
7	and approv	ved budget and credit counselors.
8	(e)	The association shall have the notice of default and
9	intention	to foreclose served on:
10	(1)	The unit owner;
11	(2)	Any prior or junior creditors who have a recorded lien
12		on the unit before the recordation of the notice of
13		default and intention to foreclose under section
14		667-C;
15	(3)	The state director of taxation;
16	(4)	The director of finance of the county where the unit
17		is located; and
18	(5)	Any other person entitled to receive notice under
19		section 667-5.5.
20	(f)	If the association is unable to serve the notice of

default and intention to foreclose on the unit owner or any

1	other	party	y listed	in	subsection	(e)(2)	to	(5)	within	sixty
2	days,	the a	associati	lon	may:					

- (1) File a special proceeding in the circuit court of the circuit in which the unit is located, for permission to proceed with a nonjudicial foreclosure by serving the unit owner only by publication and posting;
 - (2) Proceed with a nonjudicial foreclosure of the unit; provided that if the association proceeds without the permission of the court, the association shall not be entitled to obtain a deficiency judgment against the unit owner, and the unit owner shall have one year from the date the association records the deed in the nonjudicial foreclosure to redeem the unit; or
 - (3) Take control of the unit if the unit is unoccupied, after giving notice to the unit owner at the unit owner's last known address as shown on the records of the association or as determined by the association as part of its due diligence to serve notice to the owner. The association's authority to take control of the unit pursuant to this paragraph shall be exercised solely for the purpose of renting the unit to generate rental income to pay the unit owner's delinquency, and

1	the association shall acquire no legal title to the
2	unit. In addition, the association shall credit the
3	net rental proceeds generated from the rental of the
4	unit to the owner's delinquency. For purposes of this
5	paragraph, "net rental proceeds" means the rental
6	proceeds remaining each month after deducting:
7	(A) The unit's regular monthly assessments that come
8	due while the association controls the unit
9	pursuant to this subsection;
10	(B) Any rental agent commissions; and
11	(C) Expenses incurred by the association in
12	maintaining the unit in rentable condition.
13	If the unit owner pays the full amount of the unit
14	owner's delinquency to the association, the
15	association shall return control of the unit to the
16	unit owner; provided that the full amount of the
17	owner's delinquency shall be calculated by deducting
18	the net rental proceeds, if any, from the owner's
19	delinquency.
20	§667-C Recordation of notice of default and intention to
21	foreclose. Before the deadline date in the notice of default

and intention to foreclose, the notice may be recorded in a

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- 1 recordable form in a manner similar to recordation of notices of
- 2 pendency of action under section 501-151 or section 634-51, or
- 3 both, as applicable. The recorded notice of default and
- 4 intention to foreclose shall have the same effect as a notice of
- 5 pendency of action. From and after the recordation of the
- 6 notice of default and intention to foreclose, any person who
- 7 becomes a purchaser or encumbrancer of the unit shall be deemed
- 8 to have constructive notice of the power of sale foreclosure and
- 9 shall be bound by the foreclosure.
- 10 §667-D Cure of default. (a) If the default is cured as
- 11 required by the notice of default and intention to foreclose, or
- 12 if the parties have agreed on a payment plan, the association
- 13 shall rescind the notice of default and intention to foreclose.
- 14 Within fourteen days of the date of the cure or an agreement on
- 15 a payment plan, the association shall so notify any person who
- 16 was served with the notice of default and intention to
- 17 foreclose. If the notice of default and intention to foreclose
- 18 was recorded, a release of the notice of default and intention
- 19 to foreclose shall be recorded.
- 20 (b) If the default is not cured as required by the notice
- 21 of default and intention to foreclose, or the parties have not
- 22 agreed on a payment plan, the association, without filing a



- 1 court action and without going to court, may foreclose the
- 2 association's lien under power of sale to sell the unit at a
- 3 public sale.
- 4 §667-E Date of public sale of unit; place of sale. (a)
- 5 The public sale of the unit shall take place on the later of the
- 6 following:
- 7 (1) At least sixty days after the public notice of the
- 8 public sale is distributed under section 667-F; or
- 9 (2) At least fourteen days after the date of the
- 10 publication of the third public notice advertisement
- under section 667-F(d).
- 12 (b) The public sale of the unit shall be held only in the
- 13 county where the unit is located; provided that the public sale
- 14 shall be held only on grounds or at facilities under the
- 15 administration of the State, as follows:
- 16 (1) At the state capitol, for a public sale of a unit
- 17 located in the city and county of Honolulu;
- (2) At a state facility in Hilo, for a public sale of a
- unit located in the districts of Hamakua, North Hilo,
- 20 South Hilo, or Puna;

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1	(3)	At a state facility in Kailua-Kona, for a public sale
2		of a unit located in the districts of North Kohala,
3		South Kohala, North Kona, South Kona, or Kau;
4	(4)	At a state facility in the county seat of Maui, for a
5		public sale of a unit located in the county of Maui;
6		and
7	(5)	At a state facility in the county seat of Kauai, for a
8		public sale of a unit located in the county of Kauai;
9	as design	ated by the department of accounting and general
10	services;	provided further that no public sale shall be held on
11	grounds o	r at facilities under the administration of the
12	judiciary	. The public sale shall be held during business hours
13	on a busi:	ness day.
14	(c)	The public sale of the unit shall be conducted by the
15	associati	on on the date, at the time, and at the place described
16	in the pu	blic notice of the public sale.
17	\$667	-F Public notice of public sale; contents;
18	distribut	ion; publication. (a) The association shall prepare
19	the public	c notice of the public sale. The public notice shall
20	state:	•

1	(1)	The date, time, and place of the public sale;
2	(2)	The unpaid balance of the moneys owed to the
3		association;
4	(3)	A description of the unit, including the address and
5		the tax map key number of the unit;
6	(4)	The name of the unit owner;
7	(5)	The name of the association;
8	(6)	The name of any prior or junior creditors having a
9		recorded lien on the unit before the recordation of
10		the notice of default and intention to foreclose under
11		section 667-C;
12	(7)	The name, the address in the State, and the telephone
13		number in the State of the person in the State
14		conducting the public sale; and
15	(8)	The terms and conditions of the public sale.
16	(b)	The public notice shall also contain wording
17	substantia	ally similar to the following in all capital letters:
18		"THE DEFAULT UNDER THE ASSOCIATION
19		DOCUMENTS MAY BE CURED NO LATER THAN THREE
20		BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE PUBLIC
21		SALE OF THE UNIT BY PAYING THE ENTIRE AMOUNT
22		THAT WOULD BE OWED TO THE ASSOCIATION PLUS

1		THE ASSOCIATION'S ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS,
2		AND ALL OTHER FEES AND COSTS INCURRED BY THE
3		FORECLOSING ASSOCIATION RELATED TO THE
4		DEFAULT, UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED TO BETWEEN
5		THE ASSOCIATION AND THE UNIT OWNER. THERE
6		IS NO RIGHT TO CURE THE DEFAULT OR ANY RIGHT
7		OF REDEMPTION AFTER THAT TIME. IF THE
8		DEFAULT IS SO CURED, THE PUBLIC SALE SHALL
9		BE CANCELED."
10	(c)	If the default is not cured as required by the notice
11	of defaul	t and intention to foreclose, the association shall
12	have a co	py of the public notice of the public sale of the unit:
13	(1)	Mailed or delivered to the unit owners at their
14		respective last known addresses;
15	(2)	Mailed or delivered to any prior or junior creditors
16		having a recorded lien on the unit before the
17		recordation of the notice of default and intention to
18		foreclose under section 667-C;
19	(3)	Mailed or delivered to the state director of taxation;
20	(4)	Mailed or delivered to the director of finance of the
21		county where the unit is located;

1	(5)	Post	ed on the unit or on such other real property of				
2		whic	h the unit is a part; and				
3	(6)	Mail	ed or delivered to any other person entitled to				
4		rece	ive notice under section 667-5.5 or 667-21.5.				
5	. (d)	The	association shall have the public notice of the				
6	public sale printed in not less than seven-point font and						
7	published	in t	he classified section of a newspaper of general				
8	circulation in the specific county in which the mortgaged						
9	property	is lo	cated. For the purposes of this subsection, a				
10	newspaper	is o	f general circulation if the newspaper:				
11	(1) Contains news of a general nature; and						
12	(2)	Is d	istributed within the county where the mortgaged				
13		prop	erty is located:				
14		(A)	At least weekly;				
15		(B)	For a minimum of six months unless interrupted by				
16			strike, natural disaster, or act of war or				
17			terror; and				
18		(C)	To a minimum of one per cent of the residents of				
19			the county, as determined by the last decennial				
20			United States census and as verified by an				
21			independent audit.				

- 1 A person may apply to the circuit court for an order confirming
- 2 a newspaper to be of general circulation for purposes of this
- 3 subsection, which the court shall grant upon proof of compliance
- 4 with this subsection. The public notice shall be published once
- 5 each week for three consecutive weeks, constituting three
- 6 publications. The public sale shall take place no sooner than
- 7 fourteen days after the date of the publication of the third
- 8 public notice advertisement.
- 9 §667-G Postponement, cancellation of sale. (a) The
- 10 public sale may be either postponed or canceled by the
- 11 association. Notice of the postponement or the cancellation of
- 12 the public sale shall be:
- 13 (1) Announced by the association at the date, time, and
- place of the last scheduled public sale; and
- 15 (2) Provided to any other person who is entitled to
- receive the notice of default under section 667-B.
- 17 (b) If there is a postponement of the public sale of the
- 18 unit, a new public notice of the public sale shall be published
- 19 once in the format described in section 667-F. The new public
- 20 notice shall state that it is a notice of a postponed sale. The
- 21 public sale shall take place no sooner than fourteen days after
- 22 the date of the publication of the new public notice. Not less



- 1 than fourteen days before the date of the public sale, a copy of
- 2 the new public notice shall be posted on the unit or on another
- 3 real property of which the unit is a part, and it shall be
- 4 mailed or delivered to the unit owner and to any other person
- 5 entitled to receive notice under section 667-B(e).
- 6 (c) Upon the fourth postponement of every series of four
- 7 consecutive postponements, the association shall follow all of
- 8 the public notice of public sale requirements of section 667-F,
- 9 including the requirements of mailing and posting under section
- 10 667-F(c) and of publication under section 667-F(d).
- 11 (d) The default under the association documents may be
- 12 cured no later than three business days before the date of the
- 13 public sale of the unit by paying the entire amount that would
- 14 be owed to the association if the payments under the association
- 15 documents had not been accelerated, plus the association's
- 16 attorney's fees and costs, and all other fees and costs incurred
- 17 by the association related to the default, unless otherwise
- 18 agreed to between the association and the unit owner. There is
- 19 no right to cure the default or any right of redemption after
- 20 that time. If the default is so cured, the public sale shall be
- 21 canceled.

1 §667-H Authorized bidder; successful bidder. Any person, including the association, shall be authorized to bid for the 2 3 unit at the public sale and to purchase the unit. The highest 4 bidder who meets the requirements of the terms and conditions of 5 the public sale shall be the successful bidder. The public sale 6 shall be considered as being held when the unit is declared by 7 the association as being sold to the successful bidder. 8 the public sale is held, the successful bidder at the public 9 sale, as the purchaser, shall make a nonrefundable downpayment 10 to the association of not less than ten per cent of the highest 11 successful bid price. If the successful bidder is the 12 association, the downpayment requirement may be satisfied by 13 offset and a credit bid up to the amount of the lien debt. 14 §667-I Successful bidder's failure to comply; forfeiture 15 of downpayment. If the successful bidder later fails to comply 16 with the terms and conditions of the public sale or fails to **17** complete the purchase within forty-five days after the public 18 sale is held, the downpayment shall be forfeited by that bidder. 19 The forfeited downpayment shall be credited by the association 20 first towards the association's attorney's fees and costs, then 21 towards the fees and costs of the power of sale foreclosure, and 22 any balance towards the moneys owed to the association.

- 1 association, in its discretion, may then accept the bid of the
- 2 next highest bidder who meets the requirements of the terms and
- 3 conditions of the public sale or may begin the public sale
- 4 process again.
- 5 §667-J Conveyance of property on payment of purchase
- 6 price; distribution of sale proceeds. (a) After the purchaser
- 7 completes the purchase by paying the full purchase price and the
- 8 costs for the purchase, the unit shall be conveyed to the
- 9 purchaser by a conveyance document. The conveyance document
- 10 shall be in a recordable form and shall be signed by the
- 11 association in the association's name. The unit owner shall not
- 12 be required to sign the conveyance document.
- (b) From the sale proceeds, after paying:
- 14 (1) Liens for taxes and assessments lawfully imposed by
- 15 governmental authority against the unit;
- 16 (2) The association's attorney's fees and costs;
- 17 (3) The fees and costs of the power of sale foreclosure;
- 18 (4) The moneys owed to the association; and
- 19 (5) All other liens and encumbrances in the order of
- 20 priority as a matter of law,
- 21 the balance of the sale proceeds shall be distributed by the
- 22 association to junior creditors having valid liens on the unit



- 1 in the order of their priority and not pro rata. Any remaining
- 2 surplus after payment in full of all valid lien creditors shall
- 3 be distributed to the unit owner.
- 4 (c) Lien creditors prior to the association shall not be
- 5 forced to their right of recovery. However, the association and
- 6 any prior lien creditor may agree in writing that the proceeds
- 7 from the sale will be distributed by the association to the
- 8 prior lien creditor towards the payment of moneys owed to the
- 9 prior lien creditor before any moneys are paid to the
- 10 association.
- 11 §667-K Affidavit after public sale; contents. (a) After
- 12 the public sale is held, the association shall sign an affidavit
- 13 under penalty of perjury:
- 14 (1) Stating that the power of sale foreclosure was made
- 15 pursuant to the power of sale provision in the law or
- 16 association documents;
- 17 (2) Stating that the power of sale foreclosure was
- 18 conducted as required by this part;
- 19 (3) Summarizing what was done by the association;
- 20 (4) Attaching a copy of the recorded notice of default and
- 21 intention to foreclose; and

1	(5)	Attaching a copy of the last public notice of the
2		public sale.
3	(b)	The recitals in the affidavit required under
4	subsection	n (a) may, but need not, be substantially in the
5	following	form:
6	(1)	I am duly authorized to represent or act on behalf of
7		(name of association)
8		("association") regarding the following power of sale
9		foreclosure. I am signing this affidavit in
10		accordance with the alternate power of sale
11		foreclosure law (Chapter 667, Part , Hawaii Revised
12		Statutes);
13	(2)	The association is a "association" as defined in the
14		power of sale foreclosure law;
15	(3)	The power of sale foreclosure is of an association
16		lien. If the lien was recorded, the lien was dated
17		, and recorded in the
18		(bureau of conveyances or office
19	-	of the assistant registrar of the land court) as
20		(recordation information). The
21		unit is located at: (address or
22		description of location) and is identified by tax map

1		key number: The legal
2		description of the property, including the certificate
3		of title or transfer certificate of title number if
4		registered with the land court, is attached as Exhibit
5		"A";
6	(4)	Pursuant to the power of sale provision of law or
7		association documents, the power of sale foreclosure
8		was conducted as required by the power of sale
9		foreclosure law. The following is a summary of what
10		was done:
11		(A) A notice of default and intention to foreclose
12		was served on the mortgagor, the borrower, and
13		the following person: The
14		notice of default and intention to foreclose was
15		served on the following date and in the following
16		manner:;
17		(B) The date of the notice of default and intention
18		to foreclose was (date).
19		The deadline in the notice for curing the default
20		was (date), which deadline
21		date was at least sixty days after the date of
22		the notice;

1	(C)	The notice of default and intention to foreclose
2		was recorded before the deadline date in the
3		(bureau of conveyances or
4		office of the assistant registrar of the land
5		court). The notice was recorded on
6		(date) as document no.
7		A copy of the recorded
8		notice is attached as Exhibit "1";
9	(D)	The default was not cured by the deadline date in
10		the notice of default and intention to foreclose;
11	(E)	A public notice of the public sale was initially
12		published in the classified section of the
13		, in accordance with section
14		667-F(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes, once each week
15		for three consecutive weeks on the following
16		dates: A copy of the
17		affidavit of publication for the last public
18		notice of the public sale is attached as Exhibit
19		"2". The date of the public sale was
20		(date). The last
21		publication was not less than fourteen days
22		before the date of the public sale;

1	(F)	The public notice of the public sale was sent to
2		the unit owner, to the state director of
3		taxation, to the director of finance of the
4		county where the unit is located, and to the
5		following: The public
6		notice was sent on the following dates and in the
7		following manner: Those
8		dates were after the deadline date in the notice
9		of default and intention to foreclose, and those
10		dates were at least sixty days before the date of
11		the public sale;
12	(G)	The public notice of the public sale was posted
13		on the unit or on such other real property of
14		which the unit is a part on
15		(date). That date was at least sixty days before
16		the date of the public sale;
17	(H)	A public sale of the unit was held on a business
18		day during business hours on:
19		(date), at (time), at the
20		following location: The
21		highest successful bidder was
22		(name) with the highest

1	successful bid price of \$;
2	and
3	(I) At the time the public sale was held, the default
4	was not cured; and
5	(5) This affidavit is signed under penalty of perjury.
6	§667-L Recordation of affidavit, conveyance document;
7	effect. (a) The affidavit required under section 667-K and the
8	conveyance document shall be recorded no earlier than ten days
9	after the public sale is held but not later than forty-five days
10	after the public sale is held. The affidavit and the conveyance
11	document may be recorded separately and on different days.
12	After the recordation, the association shall mail or deliver a
13	recorded copy to those persons entitled to receive the public
14	notice of the public sale under section 667-F(c).
15	(b) When both the affidavit and the conveyance document
16	are recorded:
17	(1) The sale of the unit is considered completed;
18	(2) All persons claiming by, through, or under the
19	mortgagor and all other persons having liens on the
20	unit junior to the lien of the association shall be
21	forever barred of and from any and all right, title,
22	interest, and claims at law or in equity in and to the

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1	unit	and	every	part	of	the	unit,	except	as	otherwise
2	provi	.ded	by lav	N;						

- (3) The lien of the association and all liens junior in priority to the lien of a association shall be automatically extinguished from the unit; and
- (4) The purchaser shall be entitled to immediate and
 exclusive possession of the unit.
- 8 (c) The mortgagor and any person claiming by, through, or 9 under the mortgagor and who is remaining in possession of the 10 unit after the recordation of the affidavit and the conveyance 11 document shall be considered a tenant at sufferance subject to 12 eviction or ejectment. The purchaser may bring an action in the **13** nature of summary possession under chapter 666, ejectment, or 14 trespass or may bring any other appropriate action in a court 15 where the unit is located to obtain a writ of possession, a writ of assistance, or any other relief. In any such action, the 16 **17** court shall award the prevailing party its reasonable attorneys' 18 fees and costs and all other reasonable fees and costs, all of 19 which are to be paid for by the non-prevailing party.
- 20 §667-M Recordation; full satisfaction of debt by borrower.
- 21 The recordation of both the conveyance document and the
- 22 affidavit shall not operate as full satisfaction of the debt



- 1 owed by the unit owner to the association unless the sale
- 2 proceeds from the unit or the amounts paid by a purchaser under
- 3 the special assessment permitted by section 421J-A or 514B-146
- 4 are sufficient to satisfy the unit owner's debt to the
- 5 association, including the association's legal fees and costs.
- 6 The debts of other lien creditors are unaffected except as
- 7 provided in this part.
- 8 §667-N Prohibited conduct. It shall be a prohibited
- 9 practice for any association to engage in any of the following
- 10 practices:
- 11 (1) Holding a public sale on a date, at a time, or at a
- 12 place other than that described in the public notice
- of the public sale or a properly noticed postponement;
- 14 (2) Specifying a fictitious place in the public notice of
- the public sale;
- 16 (3) Conducting a postponed public sale on a date other
- 17 than the date described in the new public notice of
- 18 the public sale; or
- 19 (4) Completing or attempting to complete nonjudicial
- 20 foreclosure proceedings against a unit owner in
- violation of section 667-B(c)."

1	3.	By adding a new section to part III to be appropriately
2	designate	d and to read:
3	" <u>\$66</u>	7- Unfair or deceptive act or practice; transfer of
4	title. (a) Any foreclosing mortgagee who engages in any of the
5	following	violations of this chapter shall have committed an
6	unfair or	deceptive act or practice under section 480-2:
7	(1)	Failing to provide a borrower or mortgagor with, or
8		failing to serve as required, the information required
9		by section 667-22 or 667-55;
10	(2)	Failing to publish, or to post, information on the
11		mortgaged property, as required by section 667-27 or
12		667-28;
13	(3)	Failing to take any action required by section 667-24
14		if the default is cured or an agreement is reached;
15	(4)	Engaging in conduct prohibited under section 667-56;
16	<u>(5)</u>	Holding a public sale in violation of section 667-25
17		<u>or 667-26;</u>
18	(6)	Failing to include the information required by section
19		667-27 or 667-28 in a public notice of public sale;
20	<u>(7)</u>	Failing to provide the public information required by
21		section 667-41;

1	(8)	Completing a nonjudicial foreclosure while a stay is
2		in effect under section 667-83, as that section read
3		at any time prior to its repeal on September 30, 2014,
4		pursuant to Act 48, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011;
5	<u>(9)</u>	Failing to distribute sale proceeds as required by
6		section 667-31;
7	(10)	Making any false statement in the affidavit of public
8		sale required by section 667-32; or
9	(11)	Attempting to collect a deficiency in violation of
10		section 667-38.
11	(b)	Notwithstanding subsection (a), the transfer of title
12	to the pu	rchaser of the property as a result of a foreclosure
13	under thi	s chapter shall only be subject to avoidance under
14	section 4	80-12 for a violation described in subsection (a)(1) to
15	(8) if th	e violation is shown to be substantial and material;
16	provided	that a foreclosure sale shall not be subject to
17	avoidance	under section 480-12 for a violation of section 667-
18	<u>56(5).</u>	
19	<u>(c)</u>	Any action to void the transfer of title to the
20	purchaser	of property under this chapter shall be filed in the
21	<u>circuit c</u>	ourt of the circuit within which the foreclosed
22	property	is situated no later than one hundred eighty days
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- 1 following the recording of the affidavit after public sale
- 2 pursuant to section 667-33. If no such action is filed within
- 3 the one hundred eighty-day period, title to the property shall
- 4 be deemed conclusively vested in the purchaser free and clear of
- 5 any claim by the mortgagor or any person claiming by, through,
- 6 or under the mortgagor."
- 7 4. By adding a new section to part IA, as designated in
- 8 section 11 of this Act, to be appropriately designated and to
- 9 read:
- 10 "§667- Attorney affirmation in judicial foreclosure.
- 11 Any attorney who files on behalf of a plaintiff seeking to
- 12 foreclose on a residential property under this part shall sign
- 13 and submit an affirmation that the attorney has verified the
- 14 accuracy of the documents submitted, under penalty of perjury
- 15 and subject to applicable rules of professional conduct. The
- 16 affirmation shall be in substantially the following form:

v.		Plaintiff,	AFFIRMATION
		Defendant(s)	
Mor	rtgaged Premises:		
	in foreclosure filings in variou mortgage lenders and other au	st 2010, numerous and widespread s courts around the nation were re thorities, including failure to revi and other foreclosure requisites; f o such review and to other critical	eported by major ew documents Filing of notarized
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pena 1. 2.	foreclosure process; and "robotal" [], Esq., pursuant alties of perjury, affirms as follows I am an attorney at law duly lic with the Law Firm of above-captioned mortgage fore	* * * at to Hawaii Revised Statu ensed to practice in the sta , the attorney closure action. As such, I gs had herein. the following representat the/she/they (a) personall of factual accuracy; and forth in the Complaint and tt, as well as the accuracy	tes §667 and under the ate of Hawaii and am affiliate as of record for Plaintiff in the am fully aware of the underly tive or representatives of y reviewed plaintiff's docume (b) confirmed the factual any supporting affidavits or

1 2 3 4 5 6 7	3. Based upon my communication with [persons specified in item 2], as well as upon my own inspection and other reasonable inquiry under the circumstances, I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Summons, Complaint, and other papers filed or submitted to the Court in this matter contain no false statements of fact or law and that plaintiff has legal standing to bring this foreclosure action. I understand my continuing obligation to amend this Affirmation in light of newly discovered material facts following its filing.
8 9 10	4. I am aware of my obligations under Hawaii Rules of Professional Conduct.
11 12 13 14 15 16	DATED: N.B.: Counsel may augment this affirmation to provide explanatory details, and may file supplemental affirmations or affidavits for the same purpose."
17	PART III
18	SECTION 4. Section 454M-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
19	amended to read as follows:
20	"§454M-10 Penalty. Any person who violates any provision
21	of this chapter may be subject to an administrative fine of [at
22	<pre>least \$1,000 and] not more than \$7,000 for each violation;</pre>
23	provided that \$1,000 of the aggregate fine amount shall be
24	deposited into the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution
25	special fund established pursuant to section 667-86."
26	SECTION 5. Section 501-151, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
27	amended to read as follows:
28	"§501-151 Pending actions, judgments; recording of,
29	notice. No writ of entry, action for partition, or any action
30	affecting the title to real property or the use and occupation

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- 1 thereof or the buildings thereon, and no judgment, nor any
- 2 appeal or other proceeding to vacate or reverse any judgment,
- 3 shall have any effect upon registered land as against persons
- 4 other than the parties thereto, unless a full memorandum
- 5 thereof, containing also a reference to the number of
- 6 certificate of title of the land affected is filed or recorded
- 7 and registered. Except as otherwise provided, every judgment
- 8 shall contain or have endorsed on it the State of Hawaii general
- 9 excise taxpayer identification number, the federal employer
- 10 identification number, or the last four digits only of the
- 11 social security number for persons, corporations, partnerships,
- 12 or other entities against whom the judgment is rendered. If the
- 13 judgment debtor has no social security number, State of Hawaii
- 14 general excise taxpayer identification number, or federal
- 15 employer identification number, or if that information is not in
- 16 the possession of the party seeking registration of the
- 17 judgment, the judgment shall be accompanied by a certificate
- 18 that provides that the information does not exist or is not in
- 19 the possession of the party seeking registration of the
- 20 judgment. Failure to disclose or disclosure of an incorrect
- 21 social security number, State of Hawaii general excise taxpayer
- 22 identification number, or federal employer identification number



- 1 shall not in any way adversely affect or impair the lien created
- 2 upon recording of the judgment. This section does not apply to
- 3 attachments, levies of execution, or to proceedings for the
- 4 probate of wills, or for administration in a probate court;
- 5 provided that in case notice of the pendency of the action has
- 6 been duly registered it is sufficient to register the judgment
- 7 in the action within sixty days after the rendition thereof.
- 8 As used in this chapter "judgment" includes an order or
- 9 decree having the effect of a judgment.
- 10 Notice of the pendency of an action in a United States
- 11 District Court, as well as a court of the State of Hawaii, may
- 12 be recorded.
- 13 Notice of opening a dispute resolution case as provided in
- 14 section 667-79 may be recorded.
- 15 Foreclosure notice as provided in section [667-14] 667-23
- 16 may be recorded.
- 17 The party seeking registration of a judgment shall redact
- 18 the first five digits of any social security number by blocking
- 19 the numbers out on the copy of the judgment to be filed or
- 20 recorded."
- 21 SECTION 6. Section 501-241, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 22 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



1	(D)	without indicing the generality of subsection (a),
2	the follo	wing instruments need not be registered pursuant to
3	this chap	ter to be effective and shall be recorded in the burea
4	of convey	ances pursuant to chapter 502:
5	(1)	An assignment or other instrument transferring a
6		leasehold time share interest;
7	(2)	A mortgage or other instrument granting a lien on a
8		leasehold time share interest;
9	(3)	An agreement of sale for the sale of a leasehold time
10 ,		share interest. Any such agreement of sale shall be
11		subject to section 502-85 and shall not be subject to
12		section 501-101.5;
13	(4)	A lien or notice of lien pertaining to a leasehold
14		time share interest in favor of a time share owners
15		association, an association of owners under chapter
16		514A or 514B, or a similar homeowner's association;
17	(5)	A judgment, decree, order of court, attachment, writ,
18		or other process against a leasehold time share
19		interest;
20	(6)	A mechanic's or materialman's lien or other lien upon
21		a leasehold time share interest;

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1	(7)	A lis pendens or notice of pendency of action, notice,
2		affidavit, demand, certificate, execution, copy of
3		execution, officer's return, or other instrument
4		relating to a leasehold time share interest and
5		otherwise required or permitted to be recorded or
6		registered in connection with the enforcement or
7		foreclosure of any lien, whether by way of power of
8		sale pursuant to [section 667-5,] chapter 667 or
9		otherwise;

- (8) A power of attorney given by the owner of a leasehold time share interest or the vendor or vendee under an agreement of sale for the sale of a leasehold time share interest, a mortgagee or other lienor having a mortgage or lien upon a leasehold time share interest, or another party holding a claim or encumbrance against or an interest in a leasehold time share interest; or
- (9) An instrument assigning, extending, continuing, dissolving, discharging, releasing in whole or in part, reducing, canceling, extinguishing, or otherwise modifying or amending any of the foregoing instruments."

1	SECTION 7. Section 501-263, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	"[+]§501-263[+] Effect of deregistration in specific
4	cases. Notwithstanding section 501-262(a)(3), the following
5	documents, instruments, and papers need not be registered
6	pursuant to this chapter to be effective and shall be recorded
7	in the bureau of conveyances pursuant to chapter 502:
8	(1) Any document, instrument, or paper assigning,
9	extending, continuing, dissolving, discharging,
10	releasing in whole or in part, reducing, canceling,
11	extinguishing, or otherwise modifying or amending any
12	of the following documents, instruments, or papers
13	that have been registered pursuant to this chapter and
14	that pertain to deregistered land:
15	(A) A mortgage;
16	(B) An agreement of sale for the sale of a fee time
17	share interest or interest in other deregistered
18	land. After the recordation of the certificate
19	of title, any agreement of sale shall be subject
20	to section 502-85 and shall not be subject to
21	section 501-101.5;

1	(C)	A correction deed, correction mortgage, or other
2		document, instrument, or paper correcting a
3		document, instrument, or paper registered
4 .		pursuant to this chapter;
5	(D)	A lien or claim of lien on a fee time share
6		interest held or claimed by a time share owners
7		association, an association of apartment owners,
8		or other homeowners' association or a lien or
9		claim on an interest in other deregistered land
10		held by a lienor or person claiming a lien;
11	(E)	A lease that demises a fee time share interest or
12		interest in other deregistered land;
13	(F)	An order of court, attachment, writ, or other
14		process against a fee time share interest or
15		interest in other deregistered land;
16	(G)	A mechanic's or materialman's lien or other lien
17		upon a fee time share interest or interest in
18		other deregistered land;
19	(H)	A lis pendens or notice of pendency of action,
20		notice, affidavit, demand, certificate,
21		execution, copy of execution, officer's return,
22		or other instrument relating to a fee time share

1		interest or interest in other deregistered land
2		and otherwise required or permitted to be
3		recorded or registered in connection with the
4		enforcement or foreclosure of any lien, whether
5		by way of power of sale pursuant to [a power of
6		sale under section 667 5,] chapter 667 or
7		otherwise; or
8		(I) A power of attorney given by the owner of a fee
9		time share interest or interest in other
10		deregistered land or the vendor or vendee under
11		an agreement of sale for the sale of a fee time
12		share interest or interest in other deregistered
13		land, a mortgagee or other lienor having a
14		mortgage or lien upon a fee time share interest
15		or interest in other deregistered land, or
16		another party holding a claim or encumbrance
17		against or an interest in a fee time share
18		interest or interest in other deregistered land;
19	(2)	A lis pendens or notice of pendency of action, notice
20		affidavit, demand, certificate, execution, copy of
21		execution, officer's return, or other instrument
22		relating to a fee time share interest or interest in

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1		other deregistered land and otherwise required or
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4		whether by way of power of sale pursuant to [a power
5		of sale under section 667-5,] chapter 667 or
6	•	otherwise; and
7	(3)	Any declaration annexing property to, any declaration

- (3) Any declaration annexing property to, any declaration deannexing property from, any amendment or supplement to, correction of, or release or termination of, any of the following documents, instruments, or papers that have been registered pursuant to this chapter and that pertain to deregistered land:
 - (A) A declaration of covenants, conditions, restrictions, or similar instrument, by whatever name denominated, establishing or governing a time share plan, or the bylaws of a time share owners association, notice of time share plan, or other time share instrument;
 - (B) A declaration of condominium property regime or similar declaration by whatever name denominated, the bylaws of the association of apartment owners, the condominium map, any declaration of

1	merge	er and any instrument effecting a merger;
2	provi	ded that if only some of the condominium
3	apart	ments are included in the time share plan,
4	then	it shall be necessary to register, and to
5	note	on the certificate of title for any
6	apart	ment not included in the time share plan:
7	(i)	Any declaration annexing property to the
8		condominium property regime;
9	(ii)	Any declaration deannexing property from the
10		condominium property regime;
11	(iii)	Any instrument effecting a merger of two or
12		more condominium projects or two or more
13		phases of a condominium project; and
14	(iv)	Any document, instrument, or paper amending,
15		supplementing, correcting, releasing, or
16		terminating any of the documents listed in
17		subparagraph (B)(i) through (iii), the
18		declaration of condominium property regime,
19		the bylaws of the association of apartment
20		owners, the condominium map, or any
21		declaration of merger; and

1	(C) A de	ectaration of covenants, conditions,
2	rest	trictions, or similar instrument, by whatever
3	name	e denominated, the bylaws of any homeowners
4	asso	ociation, any declaration of annexation or
5	dear	nexation, any amendments and supplements
6	the	ceto, and any cancellation or extinguishment
7	the	reof, any declaration of merger and any
8	inst	rument effecting a merger; provided that if
9	only	y some of the parcels of land covered by the
10	decl	aration constitutes deregistered land, and if
11	one	or more of the remaining parcels constitute
12	regi	stered land, then it shall be necessary to
13	regi	ster, and to note on the certificate of title
14	for	any registered land:
15	(i _.)	Any declaration annexing property to the
16		declaration;
17	(ii)	Any declaration deannexing property from the
18		operation of the declaration; and
19	(iii)	Any document, instrument, or paper amending,
20		supplementing, correcting, releasing, or
21		terminating any of the documents listed in
22		subparagraph (C)(i) or (ii), the declaration

1		of covenants, conditions, restrictions, or
2		the bylaws of the homeowners association."
3	SECT	CION 8. Section 514A-90, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4	amended a	as follows:
5	1.	By amending subsections (a) and (b) to read:
6	"(a)	All sums assessed by the association of apartment
7	owners bu	t unpaid for the share of the common expenses chargeable
8	to any ap	partment constitute a lien on the apartment prior to all
9	other lie	ens, except:
10	(1)	Liens for taxes and assessments lawfully imposed by
11		governmental authority against the apartment; and
12	(2)	All sums unpaid on any mortgage of record that was
13		recorded prior to the recordation of notice of a lien
14		by the association of apartment owners, and costs and
15		expenses including attorneys' fees provided in such
16		mortgages[-];
17	provided	that a lien recorded by the association of apartment
18	owners sh	all expire two years from the date of recordation
19	unless re	enewed by the association of apartment owners prior to
20	the expir	ration of the lien.
21	The	lien of the association of apartment owners may be
22	foreclose	d by action or by nonjudicial or power of sale
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- 1 foreclosure procedures set forth in chapter 667, by the managing
- 2 agent or board of directors, acting on behalf of the association
- 3 of apartment owners[, in like manner as a mortgage of real
- 4 property.]; provided that no association of apartment owners may
- 5 foreclose a lien against any apartment that arises solely from
- 6 fines, penalties, legal fees, or late fees. In any such
- 7 foreclosure, the apartment owner shall be required to pay a
- 8 reasonable rental for the apartment, if so provided in the
- 9 bylaws[7] or the law, and the plaintiff in the foreclosure shall
- 10 be entitled to the appointment of a receiver to collect the rental
- 11 owed[-] by the apartment owner or any tenant of the apartment. If
- 12 the association of apartment owners is the plaintiff, it may
- 13 request that its managing agent be appointed as receiver to
- 14 collect the rent from the tenant. The managing agent or board of
- 15 directors, acting on behalf of the association of apartment
- 16 owners, unless prohibited by the declaration, may bid on the
- 17 apartment at foreclosure sale, and acquire and hold, lease,
- 18 mortgage, and convey the apartment. Action to recover a money
- 19 judgment for unpaid common expenses shall be maintainable without
- 20 foreclosing or waiving the lien securing the unpaid common
- 21 expenses owed.

1	(b) Except as provided in subsection (g), when the mortgagee
2	of a mortgage of record or other purchaser of an apartment obtains
3	title to the apartment as a result of foreclosure of the mortgage,
4	the acquirer of title and the acquirer's successors and assigns
5	shall not be liable for the share of the common expenses or
6	assessments by the association of apartment owners chargeable to
7	the apartment [which] that became due prior to the acquisition of
8	title to the apartment by the acquirer. The unpaid share of
9	common expenses or assessments shall be deemed to be common
10	expenses collectible from all of the apartment owners, including
11	the acquirer and the acquirer's successors and assigns. The
12	mortgagee of record or other purchaser of the apartment shall be
13	deemed to acquire title and shall be required to pay the
14	apartment's share of common expenses and assessments beginning:
15	(1) Thirty-six days after the order confirming the sale to
16	the purchaser has been filed with the court;
17	(2) Sixty days after the hearing at which the court grants
18	the motion to confirm the sale to the purchaser;
19	(3) Thirty days after the public sale in a nonjudicial
20	power of sale foreclosure conducted pursuant to
21	[section 667 5;] chapter 667; or
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conveyance."

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- 1 (4)Upon the recording of the instrument of conveyance, 2 whichever occurs first; provided that the mortgagee of record or 3 other purchaser of the apartment shall not be deemed to acquire 4 title under paragraph (1), (2), or (3), if transfer of title is 5 delayed past the thirty-six days specified in paragraph (1), the 6 sixty days specified in paragraph (2), or the thirty days 7 specified in paragraph (3), when a person who appears at the 8 hearing on the motion or a party to the foreclosure action 9 requests reconsideration of the motion or order to confirm sale, 10 objects to the form of the proposed order to confirm sale, 11 appeals the decision of the court to grant the motion to confirm 12 sale, or the debtor or mortgagor declares bankruptcy or is **13** involuntarily placed into bankruptcy. In any such case, the 14 mortgagee of record or other purchaser of the apartment shall be 15 deemed to acquire title upon recordation of the instrument of
- 17 2. By amending subsections (h) and (i) to read:
- "(h) The amount of the special assessment assessed under
 subsection (g) shall not exceed the total amount of unpaid
 regular monthly common assessments that were assessed during the
 twelve months immediately preceding the completion of the
- 22 judicial or nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure. [In no event



1	shall the amou	ent of the special assessment exceed the sum of
2	\$7,200.]	
3	(i) For	purposes of subsections (g) and (h), the following
4	definitions sh	nall apply:
5	"Completi	on" means:
6	(1)	In a nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure, when
7		the affidavit [required under section 667-5 is
8		filed; after public sale is recorded pursuant to
9		section 667-33; and
10	(2)	In a judicial foreclosure, when a purchaser is
11		deemed to acquire title pursuant to subsection
12		(b).
13	"Regular	monthly common assessments" shall not include:
14	(1)	Any other special assessment, except for a
15		special assessment imposed on all apartments as
16		part of a budget adopted pursuant to section
17		514A-83.6;
18	(2)	Late charges, fines, or penalties;
19	(3)	Interest assessed by the association of apartment
20		owners;
21	(4)	Any lien arising out of the assessment; or

1	(5) Any fees or costs related to the collection or
2	enforcement of the assessment, including
3	attorneys' fees and court costs."
4	SECTION 9. Section 514B-146, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5	amended as follows:
6	1. By amending subsections (a) and (b) to read:
7	"(a) All sums assessed by the association but unpaid for
8	the share of the common expenses chargeable to any unit shall
9	constitute a lien on the unit with priority over all other
10	liens, except:
11	(1) Liens for taxes and assessments lawfully imposed by
12	governmental authority against the unit; and
13	(2) All sums unpaid on any mortgage of record that was
14	recorded prior to the recordation of a notice of a
15	lien by the association, and costs and expenses
16	including attorneys' fees provided in such
17	mortgages[-];
18	provided that a lien recorded by the association shall expire
19	two years from the date of recordation unless renewed by the
20	association prior to the expiration of the lien.
21	The lien of the association may be foreclosed by action or
22	by nonjudicial or power of sale foreclosure procedures set forth
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- 1 in chapter 667, by the managing agent or board, acting on behalf
- 2 of the association[, in like-manner as a mortgage of real
- 3 property.]; provided that no association may foreclose a lien
- 4 against any unit that arises solely from fines, penalties, legal
- 5 fees, or late fees. In any such foreclosure, the unit owner
- 6 shall be required to pay a reasonable rental for the unit, if so
- 7 provided in the bylaws [7] or the law, and the plaintiff in the
- 8 foreclosure shall be entitled to the appointment of a receiver
- 9 to collect the rental owed[-] by the unit owner or any tenant of
- 10 the unit. If the association is the plaintiff, it may request
- 11 that its managing agent be appointed as receiver to collect the
- 12 rent from the tenant. The managing agent or board, acting on
- 13 behalf of the association, unless prohibited by the declaration,
- 14 may bid on the unit at foreclosure sale, and acquire and hold,
- 15 lease, mortgage, and convey the unit. Action to recover a money
- 16 judgment for unpaid common expenses shall be maintainable
- 17 without foreclosing or waiving the lien securing the unpaid
- 18 common expenses owed.
- 19 (b) Except as provided in subsection (g), when the
- 20 mortgagee of a mortgage of record or other purchaser of a unit
- 21 obtains title to the unit as a result of foreclosure of the
- 22 mortgage, the acquirer of title and the acquirer's successors

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- 1 and assigns shall not be liable for the share of the common
- 2 expenses or assessments by the association chargeable to the
- 3 unit [which] that became due prior to the acquisition of title
- 4 to the unit by the acquirer. The unpaid share of common
- 5 expenses or assessments shall be deemed to be common expenses
- 6 collectible from all of the unit owners, including the acquirer
- 7 and the acquirer's successors and assigns. The mortgagee of
- 8 record or other purchaser of the unit shall be deemed to acquire
- 9 title and shall be required to pay the unit's share of common
- 10 expenses and assessments beginning:
- 11 (1) Thirty-six days after the order confirming the sale to 12 the purchaser has been filed with the court;
- (2) Sixty days after the hearing at which the court grantsthe motion to confirm the sale to the purchaser;
- 15 (3) Thirty days after the public sale in a nonjudicial
- power of sale foreclosure conducted pursuant to
- 17 [section 667-5;] chapter 667; or
- 18 (4) Upon the recording of the instrument of conveyance;
- 19 whichever occurs first; provided that the mortgagee of record or
- 20 other purchaser of the unit shall not be deemed to acquire title
- 21 under paragraph (1), (2), or (3), if transfer of title is
- 22 delayed past the thirty-six days specified in paragraph (1), the

- 1 sixty days specified in paragraph (2), or the thirty days
- 2 specified in paragraph (3), when a person who appears at the
- 3 hearing on the motion or a party to the foreclosure action
- 4 requests reconsideration of the motion or order to confirm sale,
- 5 objects to the form of the proposed order to confirm sale,
- 6 appeals the decision of the court to grant the motion to confirm
- 7 sale, or the debtor or mortgagor declares bankruptcy or is
- 8 involuntarily placed into bankruptcy. In any such case, the
- 9 mortgagee of record or other purchaser of the unit shall be
- 10 deemed to acquire title upon recordation of the instrument of
- 11 conveyance."
- 12 2. By amending subsections (h) and (i) to read:
- 13 "(h) The amount of the special assessment assessed under
- 14 subsection (g) shall not exceed the total amount of unpaid
- 15 regular monthly common assessments that were assessed during the
- 16 twelve months immediately preceding the completion of the
- 17 judicial or nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure. [In no event
- 18 shall the amount of the special assessment exceed the sum of
- 19 $\frac{$7,200.}{}$
- 20 (i) For purposes of subsections (g) and (h), the following
- 21 definitions shall apply, unless the context requires otherwise:

1	"Com	pletion" means:
2	(1)	In a nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure, when the
3		affidavit [required under section 667 5 is filed;]
4		after public sale is recorded pursuant to section 667
5		<u>33;</u> and
6	(2)	In a judicial foreclosure, when a purchaser is deemed
7		to acquire title pursuant to subsection (b).
8	"Reg	ular monthly common assessments does not include:
9	(1)	Any other special assessment, except for a special
10		assessment imposed on all units as part of a budget
11		adopted pursuant to section 514B-148;
12	(2)	Late charges, fines, or penalties;
13	(3)	Interest assessed by the association;
14	(4)	Any lien arising out of the assessment; or
15	(5)	Any fees or costs related to the collection or
16		enforcement of the assessment, including attorneys'
17		fees and court costs."
18	SECT	ION 10. Section 607-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
19	amended by	y amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:
20	"(a)	The fees prescribed by the schedule in this section
21	shall be	paid to the clerk of the circuit court as costs of
22	court by	the person instituting the action or proceeding, or

- 1 offering the paper for filing, or causing the document to be
- 2 issued or the services to be performed in the circuit court;
- 3 provided that nothing in the schedule shall apply to cases of
- 4 adults charged with commission of a crime, or to proceedings
- 5 under section 571-11(1), (2), or (9), to proceedings under
- 6 chapter 333F or 334, to small estates including decedents'
- 7 estates and protection of property of minors and persons under
- 8 disability when the amount payable is fixed by another statute[7]
- 9 or to nonjudicial foreclosures converted to judicial proceedings
- 10 pursuant to section 667-53; and]; provided further that the fees
- 11 prescribed by subsection (c)(32) shall be deposited by the clerk
- 12 of the circuit court into the judiciary computer system special
- fund pursuant to section 601-3.7[-]; and provided further that
- 14 the fees prescribed by subsection (b) (1a) shall be deposited by
- 15 the clerk of the circuit court as provided in section 667-
- **16** 53(a)(6).
- 17 For the purpose of this section, "judgment" includes a
- 18 decree and any order from which an appeal lies.
- 19 SCHEDULE
- In the application of this schedule, each case assigned a
- 21 new number or filed under the number previously assigned to a
- 22 probate, trust, guardianship, or conservatorship, shall carry a



1	fee for th	he institution or transfer of the action or proceeding
2	as prescr	ibed by part I, and in addition the fees prescribed by
3	part II w	nless otherwise provided.
4	(b)	PART I
5	Action or	proceeding, general:
6	(1)	Civil action or special proceeding, unless
7		another item in part I applies\$200
8	<u>(1a)</u>	Petition for conversion of nonjudicial
9		foreclosure to judicial foreclosure \$250
10	(2)	Appeal to a circuit court\$100
11	(3)	Transfer of action to circuit court from district
12		court, in addition to district court fees \$125
13	Trusts:	
14	(4)	Proceeding for (A) appointment of trustee; (B)
15		appointment of successor; (C) resignation of
16		trustee; (D) instructions; (E) approval of
17		investment; (F) approval of sale, mortgage,
18		lease, or other disposition of property; (G)
19		approval of compromise of claim, for each such
20		matter \$100
21	(5)	Proceeding for (A) removal of trustee; (B) order
22		requiring accounting; (C) invalidation of action

1		taken by trustee; (D) termination of trust, for
2		each such matter\$100
3	(6)	Accounting, this fee to be paid for each account
4		filed and to include the settlement of the
5		account \$10
6	(7)	Vesting order no charge under part I
7	(8)	Allowance of fees of trustees, attorneys, or
8		other fees for services incurred in a
9		proceeding for which a fee has been paid
10		under this section no charge under part I
11	(8a)	Registration of a trust, or release of
12		registration, under chapter 560\$3
13	(9)	Any other proceeding relating to a trust\$15
14	Conservatorship:	
15	(10)	Proceeding for (A) appointment; (B) appointment
16		of successor; (C) resignation; (D) instructions,
17		unless included in one of the foregoing
18		proceedings; (E), (F), (G) approval of any matter
19		listed in (E), (F), or (G) of item (4) in
20		relation to a trust, for each such matter \$100

1	(11)	Proceeding of the nature listed in (A), (B), (C),
2		or (D) of item (5) in relation to a trust, for
3		each such matter\$15
4	(12)	Accounting, same as provided by item (6) in
5		relation to a trust\$10
6	(13)	Any other proceeding relating to a
7		conservatorship no charge under part I
8	Guardians	hip:
9	(13a)	Guardianship, including all matters of the nature
10		listed in items (4) to (9), whether in family or
11		circuit court\$100
12	Probate (decedents' estates). These fees include all matters of
13	the natur	e listed in items (4) to (9), without additional
14	charge:	
15	(14)	Probate, administration, domiciliary foreign
16		personal representative, or ancillary
17		administration, this fee to be paid once only for
18		each decedent's estate\$100
19	Family co	urt cases:
20	(15)	Matrimonial action (annulment, divorce,
21		separation, or separate maintenance) \$100
22	(16)	Adoption

1	(17) Guardianship, including all matters of the nature	
2	listed in items (4) to (9)	
3	As provided in item 13(a)	
4	(18) Termination of parental rights	
5	no charge under part	: I
6	(19) Any other family court proceeding, except motions or	
7	other pleadings in matrimonial, adoption, and	
8	guardianship actions, but including without limitation	n
9	custody proceedings even if in the form of an habeas	
10	corpus proceeding\$1	.5 "
11	SECTION 11. Chapter 667, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
12	amended as follows:	
13	1. By designating part I as part IA and amending the titl	.e
14	of that part to read:	
15	"PART [1.] IA. FORECLOSURE BY ACTION [OR	
16	FORECLOSURE BY POWER OF SALE] "	
17	2. By designating section 667-1 as section 667-1.5:	
18	"[\$667-1] <u>\$667-1.5</u> Foreclosure by action."	
19	3. By amending the title of part II to read:	
20	"[+]PART II.[] ALTERNATE] POWER OF	
21	SALE FORECLOSURE PROCESS"	

SECTION 12. Section 667-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 2 amended to read as follows: 3 "§667-3 Proceeds, how applied. Mortgage and other creditors shall be entitled to payment according to the priority 4 5 of their liens, and not pro rata; and judgments of foreclosure 6 [and forcelosures by power of sale] that are conducted in 7 compliance with this part [and for which an affidavit is 8 recorded as required under section 667 5] shall operate to 9 extinguish the liens of subsequent mortgages and liens of the 10 same property, without forcing prior mortgagees or lienors to 11 their right of recovery. The surplus after payment of the 12 mortgage foreclosed, shall be applied pro tanto to the next 13 junior mortgage or lien, and so on to the payment, wholly or in 14 part, of mortgages and liens junior to the one assessed." 15 SECTION 13. Section 667-5.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is **16** amended to read as follows: **17** "§667-5.5 Foreclosure notice; planned communities; 18 condominiums; cooperative housing projects. Notwithstanding any 19 law or agreement to the contrary, any person who forecloses on a 20 property under this part within a planned community, a 21 condominium apartment or unit, or an apartment in a cooperative

housing project shall notify, by registered or certified mail,

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- 1 the board of directors of the planned community association, the
- 2 association of owners of the condominium project, or the
- 3 cooperative housing project in which the property to be
- 4 foreclosed is located, of the following:
- 5 (1) The foreclosure at the time foreclosure proceedings
- 6 are begun[-]; and
- 7 (2) Any election by an owner-occupant of the property that
- 8 is the subject of the foreclosure to participate in
- 9 the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program
- 10 under part V.
- 11 The notice, at a minimum, shall identify the property,
- 12 condominium apartment or unit, or cooperative apartment that is
- **13** the subject of the foreclosure and identify the name or names of
- 14 the person or persons bringing foreclosure proceedings. [This
- 15 section] Paragraph (1) shall not apply if the planned community
- 16 association, condominium association of owners, or cooperative
- **17** housing corporation is a party in a foreclosure action. This
- 18 section shall not affect civil proceedings against parties other
- 19 than the planned community association, association of owners,
- 20 or cooperative housing corporation."
- 21 SECTION 14. Section 667-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:

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1 "§667-10 Power unaffected by transfer; surplus after sale. 2 No sale or transfer by the mortgagor shall impair or annul any 3 right or power of attorney given in the mortgage to the 4 mortgagee to sell or transfer the mortgaged property, as 5 attorney or agent of the mortgagor, except as otherwise provided 6 by chapters 501 and 502. When public sale is made of the 7 mortgaged property under this part, distribution of the proceeds 8 of the sale shall be as specified in section 667-3, and the 9 remainder of the proceeds, if any, shall be paid over to the 10 owner of the mortgaged property, after deducting the amount of 11 [claim] all claims and all expenses attending the same." 12 SECTION 15. Section 667-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 13 amended to read as follows: 14 "§667-21 [Alternate power] Power of sale process[+ 15 definitions]. [(a)] The power of sale process in this part is 16 an alternative [power of sale process] to the foreclosure by 17 action [and the foreclosure by power of sale] in part [I.] IA. 18 (b) As used in this part: 19 "Approved budget and credit counselor" means a budget and

eredit counseling agency that has received approval from a

United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator to provide

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1 instructional courses concerning personal financial management 2 pursuant to Title 11 United States Code, section 111. 3 "Approved housing counselor" means a housing counseling 4 agency that has received approval from the United States 5 Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide housing 6 counseling services pursuant to section 106(a)(2) of the Housing 7 and Urban Development Act of 1968, Title 12 United States Code, 8 section 1701x. 9 "Association" has the same meaning as the term is defined 10 in section 514B 3. 11 "Borrower" means the borrower, maker, cosigner, or 12 guarantor under a mortgage agreement. 13 "Forcelosing mortgagee" means the mortgagee that intends to 14 conduct a power of sale foreclosure; provided that the mortgagee 15 is a federally insured bank; a federally insured savings and loan association, a federally insured savings bank, a depository 16 **17** financial services loan company, a nondepository financial services loan company, a credit union insured by the National 18 19 Credit Union Administration, a bank holding company, a foreign lender as defined in section 207 11, or an institutional 20 21 investor as 'defined in section 454 1.

1	Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, as used in				
2	this part, a "forcelosing mortgagee" shall encompass all of the				
3	following	rentities:			
4	(1)	The foreclosing mortgagee;			
5	(2)	Any person that has an ownership interest in the			
6		promissory note on the mortgage agreement or a			
7		security interest represented by the mortgage for the			
8		subject property;			
9	(3)	Any mortgage servicer, who services the mortgage loan			
10		of the mortgagor; and			
11	(4)	The agents, employees, trustees, and representatives			
12		of a lender, the foreclosing mortgagee, a mortgagee,			
13		and a mortgage servicer.			
14	"Mai	led" means to be sent by regular mail, postage prepaid,			
15	and by co	rtified, registered, or express mail, postage prepaid			
16	and retur	n-receipt requested.			
17	"Mor	tgage" means a mortgage, security agreement, or other			
18	document	under which property is mortgaged, encumbered, pledged,			
19	or-otherw	ise rendered subject to a lien for the purpose of			
20	securing-	the payment of money or the performance of an			
21	obligatio	n.			

1	"Mortgage agreement" includes the mortgage, the note or
2	debt document, or any document amending any of the foregoing.
3	"Mortgaged property" means the property that is subject to
4	the lien of the mortgage.
5	"Mortgagee" means the current holder of record of the
6	mortgagee's or the lender's interest under the mortgage, or the
7	current mortgagee's or lender's duly authorized agent.
8	"Mortgagor" means the mortgagor or borrower named in the
9	mortgage and, unless the context otherwise indicates, includes
10	the current owner of record of the mortgaged property whose
11	interest is subject to the mortgage.
12	"Nonjudicial foreclosure" means foreclosure under power of
13	sale.
14	"Open house" means a public showing of the mortgaged
15	property during a scheduled time period.
16	"Owner-occupant" means a person, at the time that a notice
17	of default and intention to foreclose is served on the mortgagor
18	under the power of sale:
19	(1) Who owns an interest in the residential property, and
20	the interest is encumbered by the mortgage being
21	foreclosed; and

1	(2) For whom the residential property is and has been the
2	person's primary residence for a continuous period of
3	not less than two hundred days immediately preceding
4	the date on which the notice is served.
5	"Power of sale" or "power of sale foreclosure" means a
6	nonjudicial foreclosure under this part when the mortgage
7	contains, authorizes, permits, or provides for a power of sale,
8	a power of sale-foreclosure, a power of sale remedy, or a
9	nonjudicial foreclosure.
10	"Property" means property (real, personal, or mixed), an
11	interest in property (including fee simple, leasehold, life
12	estate, reversionary interest, and any other estate under
13	applicable law), or other interests that can be subject to the
14	lien of a mortgage.
15	"Record" or "recorded" means a document is recorded or
16	filed with the office of the assistant registrar of the land
17	court under chapter 501 or recorded with the registrar of
18	conveyances under chapter 502, or both, as applicable.
19	"Residential property" means real property that is improved
20	and used for residential purposes.
21	"Served" means to have service of the notice of default and
22	intention to foreclose made in accordance with the service of

- 1 process or the service of summons under the Hawaii rules of 2 civil procedure, and under sections 634 35 and 634 36.] " 3 SECTION 16. Section 667-21.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 4 amended to read as follows: 5 "[+]\$667-21.5[+] Foreclosure notice; planned communities; 6 condominiums; cooperative housing projects. Notwithstanding any 7 law or agreement to the contrary, any person who forecloses on a 8 property under this part within a planned community, a 9 condominium apartment or unit, or an apartment in a cooperative 10 housing project shall notify, by way of registered or certified 11 mail, the board of directors of the planned community **12** association, the association of owners of the condominium 13 project, or the cooperative housing project in which the 14 property to be foreclosed is located, of the following: 15 (1) The foreclosure at the time foreclosure proceedings 16 are begun[-]; and (2) Any election by an owner-occupant of the property that 17 18 is the subject of the foreclosure to participate in 19 the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program 20 under part V. 21 The notice, at a minimum, shall identify the property, 22 condominium apartment or unit, or cooperative apartment that is
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- 1 the subject of the foreclosure and identify the name or names of
- 2 the person or persons bringing foreclosure proceedings. [This
- 3 section Paragraph (1) shall not apply when the planned
- 4 community association, condominium association of owners, or
- 5 cooperative housing corporation is a party in a foreclosure
- 6 action. This section shall not affect civil proceedings against
- 7 parties other than the planned community association,
- 8 association of owners, or cooperative housing corporation."
- 9 SECTION 17. Section 667-22, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 10 amended as follows:
- 11 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
- "(a) When the mortgagor or the borrower has breached the
- 13 mortgage agreement, and when the foreclosing mortgagee intends
- 14 to conduct a power of sale foreclosure under this part, the
- 15 foreclosing mortgagee shall prepare a written notice of default
- 16 and intention to foreclose addressed to the mortgagor, the
- 17 borrower, and any guarantor. The notice of default and
- 18 intention to foreclose shall state:
- 19 (1) The name and address of the current mortgagee;
- 20 (2) The name and last known address of [all] the
- 21 mortgagors, the borrowers, and any guarantors;

1	(3)	[The] With respect to the mortgaged property, the
2		address or a description of [the] its location [of the
3		mortgaged property], [the] tax map key number, and
4		[the] certificate of title or transfer certificate of
5		title number if [within the jurisdiction of]
6		registered in the land court[, of the mortgaged
7		property];
8	(4)	The description of the default or, if the default is a
9		monetary default, an itemization of the delinquent
10		amount;
11	(5)	The action required to cure the default, including the
12		delinquent amount and the estimated amount of the
13		foreclosing mortgagee's attorney's fees and costs, and
14		all other fees and costs related to the default
15		estimated to be incurred by the foreclosing mortgagee
16		by the deadline date;
17	(6)	The date by which the default must be cured, which
18		shall be at least sixty days after the date of the
19		notice of default and intention to foreclose;
20	(7)	A statement that if the default is not cured by the
21		deadline date stated in the notice of default and
22		intention to foreclose, the entire unpaid balance of

1		the moneys owed to the mortgagee under the mortgage
2		agreement will become due, that the mortgagee intends
3		to conduct a power of sale foreclosure to sell the
4		mortgaged property at a public sale without any court
5		action and without going to court, and that the
6		mortgagee or any other person may acquire the
7		mortgaged property at the public sale;
8	(8)	The name, address, electronic address, and telephone
9		number of the 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; and
13	(9)	Notice of the right of the owner-occupant to elect to
14		participate in any other process as established by
15		law."
16	2. B	y amending subsections (d) and (e) to read:
17	" (d)	The notice of default and intention to foreclose
18	shall also	include contact information for [local] approved
19	housing co	unselors and approved budget and credit counselors.

(e) The foreclosing mortgagee shall have the notice of

default and intention to foreclose served on:

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1	(1)	The mortgagor and the borrower [in the same manner as
2		service of a civil complaint under chapter 634 or the
3		Hawaii rules of civil procedure, as they may be
4		amended from time to time];
5	(2)	Any prior or junior creditors who have a recorded lien
6		on the mortgaged property before the recordation of
7		the notice of default and intention to foreclose under
8		section 667-23;
9	(3)	The state director of taxation;
10	(4)	The director of finance of the county where the
11		mortgaged property is located;
12	(5)	The department of commerce and consumer affairs, by
13		filing the notice with the department when required;
14		and
15	(6)	Any other person entitled to receive notice under this
16	,	part."
17	SECT	ION 18. Section 667-24, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18	amended to	o read as follows:
19	"§66'	7-24 Cure of default. (a) If the default is cured as
20	required 1	by the notice of default and intention to foreclose, or
21	if the pa	rties have reached [a settlement document,] <u>an</u>
22	agreement	to resolve the nonjudicial foreclosure, the

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- 1 foreclosing mortgagee shall rescind the notice of default and
- 2 intention to foreclose. Within fourteen days of the date of the
- 3 cure or [a settlement document reached by the parties,] an
- 4 agreement to resolve the nonjudicial foreclosure, the
- 5 foreclosing mortgagee shall so notify any person who was served
- 6 with the notice of default and intention to foreclose. If the
- 7 notice of default and intention to foreclose was recorded, a
- 8 release of the notice of default and intention to foreclose
- 9 shall be recorded.
- 10 (b) If the default is not cured as required by the notice
- 11 of default and intention to foreclose, the parties have not
- 12 reached [a settlement document pursuant to part V] an agreement
- 13 to resolve the nonjudicial foreclosure and no report of
- 14 noncompliance has been issued against the mortgagee under
- 15 section 667-82, and the mortgagor has not elected to convert the
- 16 foreclosure to a judicial action, the foreclosing mortgagee,
- 17 without filing a court action and without going to court, may
- 18 foreclose the mortgage under power of sale to sell the mortgaged
- 19 property at a public sale."
- 20 SECTION 19. Section 667-25, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 21 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



1	"(b)	The public sale of the mortgaged property shall be
2	held only	in the county where the mortgaged property is located;
3	provided	that the public sale shall be held only on grounds or
4	at facili	ties under the administration of the State, as follows:
5	(1)	At the state capitol, for a public sale of mortgaged
6		property located in the city and county of Honolulu;
7	(2)	At a state facility in Hilo, for a public sale of
8		mortgaged property located in the [eastern portion of
9		the county of Hawaii; districts of Hamakua, North
10		Hilo, South Hilo, or Puna;
11	(3)	At a state facility in Kailua-Kona, for a public sale
12		of mortgaged property located in the [western portion
13		of the county of Hawaii; districts of North Kohala,
14		South Kohala, North Kona, South Kona, or Kau;
15	(4)	At a state facility in the county seat of Maui, for a
16		public sale of mortgaged property located in the
17		county of Maui; and
18	(5)	At a state facility in the county seat of Kauai, for a
19		public sale of mortgaged property located in the
20		county of Kauai;
21	as designa	ated by the department of accounting and general
22	services;	provided further that no public sale shall be held on
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- 1 grounds or at facilities under the administration of the
- 2 judiciary. The public sale shall be held during business hours
- 3 on a business day."
- 4 SECTION 20. Section 667-27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 5 amended as follows:
- 6 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
- 7 "(a) The foreclosing mortgagee shall prepare the public
- 8 notice of the public sale. The public notice shall state:
- 9 (1) The date, time, and place of the public sale;
- 10 (2) The dates and times of the two open houses of the
- mortgaged property, or if there will not be any open
- houses, the public notice shall so state;
- 13 (3) The unpaid balance of the moneys owed to the mortgagee
- under the mortgage agreement;
- 15 (4) A description of the mortgaged property, including the
- address and the tax map key number of the mortgaged
- 17 property;
- 18 (5) The name of the mortgagor and the borrower;
- 19 (6) The name of the foreclosing mortgagee;
- 20 (7) The name of any prior or junior creditors having a
- 21 recorded lien on the mortgaged property before the
- 22 recordation of the notice of default and intention to

1	foreclose under section 667-23;
2	(8) The name, the address in the State, and the telephone
3	number in the State of the person in the State .
4	conducting the public sale; and
5	(9) The terms and conditions of the public sale[; and
6	(10) An estimate of the opening bid]."
7	2. By amending subsection (d) to read:
8	"(d) The foreclosing mortgagee shall have the public
9	notice of the public sale printed in not less than seven-point
10	font and published in the classified section of a [daily]
11	newspaper [having the largest] of general circulation
12	[specifically] in the specific county where the mortgaged
13	property is located[; provided that for property located in a
14	county with a population of more than one hundred thousand but
15	less than three hundred thousand, the public notice shall be
16	published in the newspaper having the largest general
17	circulation specifically in the western or eastern half of the
18	county, as the case may be, in which the property is located].
19	For the purposes of this subsection, a newspaper is of general
20	circulation if the newspaper:
21	(1) Contains news of a general nature; and

1	(2)	<u>Is d</u>	istributed within the county where the mortgaged
2		prop	erty is located:
3		(A)	At least weekly;
4		<u>(B)</u>	For a minimum of six months unless interrupted by
5			strike, natural disaster, or act of war or
6			terror; and
7		<u>(C)</u>	To a minimum of one per cent of the residents of
8			the county, as determined by the last decennial
9			United States census and as verified by an
10			independent audit.
11	A person	may a	pply to the circuit court for an order confirming
12	a newspap	er to	be of general circulation for purposes of this
13	subsectio	n, wh	ich the court shall grant upon proof of compliance
14	with this	subs	ection. The public notice shall be published once
15	each week	for	three consecutive weeks, constituting three
16	publicati	ons.	The public sale shall take place no sooner than
17	fourteen	days	after the date of the publication of the third
18	public no	tice	advertisement."
19	SECT	ION 2	1. Section 667-28, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20	amended b	y ame	nding subsection (a) to read as follows:

1	"(a)	The public sale may be either postponed or canceled
2	by the fo	reclosing mortgagee. Notice of the postponement or the
3	cancellat	ion of the public sale shall be [announced]:
4	(1)	Announced by the foreclosing mortgagee at the date,
5		time, and place of the last scheduled public sale $[-]$;
6		<u>and</u>
7	(2)	Provided to any other person who is entitled to
8		receive the notice of default under section 667-22."
9	SECT	ION 22. Section 667-32, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10	amended b	y amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
11	"(b)	The recitals in the affidavit required under
12	subsection	n (a) may, but need not, be substantially in the
13	following	form:
14	"(1)	I am duly authorized to represent or act on behalf of
15		(name of mortgagee) ("foreclosing
16		mortgagee") regarding the following power of sale
17		foreclosure. I am signing this affidavit in
18		accordance with the [alternate] power of sale
19		foreclosure law (Chapter 667, Part II, Hawaii Revised
20		Statutes);
21	(2)	The foreclosing mortgagee is a [#foreclosing
22		mortgagee"] mortgagee as defined in [the power of sale

1		foreclosure law; section 667-1, Hawaii Revised
2		Statutes, conducting a power of sale foreclosure;
3	(3)	The power of sale foreclosure is of a mortgage made by
4		(name of mortgagor)
5		("mortgagor"), dated, and
6		recorded in the (bureau of
7		conveyances or office of the assistant registrar of
8		the land court) as (recordation
9		information). The mortgaged property is located at:
10		(address or description of
11		location) and is identified by tax map key number:
12		The legal description of the
13		mortgaged property, including the certificate of title
14		or transfer certificate of title number if registered
15		in the land court, is attached as Exhibit "A". The
16		name of the borrower, if different from the mortgagor,
17		is ("borrower");
18	(4)	Pursuant to the power of sale provision of the
19		mortgage, the power of sale foreclosure was conducted
20		as required by the power of sale foreclosure law. The
21		following is a summary of what was done:
22		(A) A notice of default and intention to foreclose

1		was served on the mortgagor, the borrower, and
2		the following person: The
3		notice of default and intention to foreclose was
4		served on the following date and in the following
5		manner:;
6	(B)	The date of the notice of default and intention
7		to foreclose was (date).
8		The deadline in the notice for curing the default
9		was (date), which deadline
10		date was at least sixty days after the date of
11		the notice;
12	(C)	The notice of default and intention to foreclose
13		was recorded before the deadline date in the
14		(bureau of conveyances or
15		office of the assistant registrar of the land
16		court). The notice was recorded on
17		(date) as document no.
18		A copy of the recorded
19		notice is attached as Exhibit "1";
20	(D)	The default was not cured by the deadline date in
21		the notice of default and intention to foreclose;
22	(E)	A public notice of the public sale was initially

1		published in the classified section of the
2		, [a daily newspaper of
3		general circulation in the county where the
4		mortgaged property is located, in accordance
5		with section 667-27(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
6		once each week for three consecutive weeks on the
7		following dates: A copy
8		of the affidavit of publication for the last
9		public notice of the public sale is attached as
10		Exhibit "2". The date of the public sale was
11		(date). The last
12		publication was not less than fourteen days
13		before the date of the public sale;
14	(F)	The public notice of the public sale was sent to
15		the mortgagor, to the borrower, to the state
16		director of taxation, to the director of finance
17		of the county where the mortgaged property is
18		located, and to the following:
19		The public notice was sent
20		on the following dates and in the following
21		manner: Those dates were
22		after the deadline date in the notice of default

1		and intention to foreclose, and those dates were
2		at least sixty days before the date of the public
3		sale;
4	(G)	The public notice of the public sale was posted
5		on the mortgaged property or on such other real
6		property of which the mortgaged property is a
7		part on (date). That date
8		was at least sixty days before the date of the
9		<pre>public sale;</pre>
10	(H)	Two public showings (open houses) of the
11		mortgaged property were held (or were not held
12		because the mortgagor did not cooperate);
13	(I)	A public sale of the mortgaged property was held
14		on a business day during business hours on:
15		(date), at
16		(time), at the following
17		location: The highest
18		successful bidder was (name)
19		with the highest successful bid price of
20	•	\$; and
21	(J)	At the time the public sale was held, the default
22		was not cured and there was no circuit court

1	foreclosure action pending in the circuit where
2	the mortgaged property is located; and
3	(5) This affidavit is signed under penalty of perjury."
4	SECTION 23. Section 667-33, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
6	"(a) The affidavit required under section 667-32 and the
7	conveyance document shall be recorded [at any time] no earlier
8	than ten days after the public sale is held but not later than
9	forty-five days after the public sale is held. The affidavit
10	and the conveyance document may be recorded separately and on
11	different days. After the recordation, the foreclosing
12	mortgagee shall mail or deliver a recorded copy to those persons
13	entitled to receive the public notice of the public sale under
14	section 667-27(c)."
15	SECTION 24. Section 667-37, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16	amended to read as follows:
17	"§667-37 Judicial action of foreclosure before public
18	sale. This part shall not prohibit [the borrower,] the
19	foreclosing mortgagee, or any other creditor having a recorded
20	lien on the mortgaged property before the recordation of the
21	notice of default under section 667-23, from filing an action
22	for the judicial foreclosure of the mortgaged property in the

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- 1 circuit court of the circuit where the mortgaged property is
- 2 located[-]; provided that the action is filed before the public
- 3 sale is held. The power of sale foreclosure process shall be
- 4 stayed during the pendency of the circuit court foreclosure
- 5 action."
- 6 SECTION 25. Section 667-41, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 "§667-41 Public information notice requirement.
- 9 [Beginning on September 1, 2011, all] (a) All financial
- 10 institutions, mortgagees, lenders, business entities and
- 11 organizations without limitation, and persons, who intend to use
- 12 the power of sale foreclosure under this part, under the
- 13 conditions required by this part, shall [also develop
- 14 informational materials to educate and inform borrowers and
- 15 mortgagors. These materials shall be made available to the
- 16 public and provided to the mortgagors of all mortgage agreements
- 17 entered into, including the borrowers at the time of application
- 18 for a mortgage or loan, or other contract containing a power of
- 19 sale foreclosure provision. These materials, among other
- 20 things, shall-inform the borrower that the financial institution
- 21 and other business entities and persons who are authorized under
- 22 this part to exercise the power of sale foreclosure, in the



1 event of the borrower's default, have the option of pursuing 2 either a judicial or nonjudicial foreclosure as provided by law. 3 These informational materials shall fully and completely explain 4 these remedies in simple and understandable terms.] provide the 5 public information notice described in subsection (b) to the 6 public, upon request, and to any applicant submitting a loan 7 application where residential property is required to be used to 8 secure the loan. The notice shall be provided to all applicants 9 and all owners of the residential property (if different from 10 the applicants) within three business days after the submission 11 of a written loan application, or within three business days 12 after the time residential property is required to be used to **13** secure a loan, whether or not there is a written loan 14 application. The purpose of the public information notice is to inform the public, applicants, and others that the financial 15 16 institutions, mortgagees, lenders, organizations, and other **17** business entities and persons who are authorized under this part 18 to enforce the foreclosure rights in a mortgage, in the event of 19 the borrower's default, have the option of pursuing either a 20 judicial or nonjudicial foreclosure in the manner provided by 21 law.

1	(b) The public information notice requirement shall be
2	satisfied by the delivery of a separate notice that contains the
3	following wording and is printed in not less than fourteen-point
4	<pre>font:</pre>
5	PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICE PURSUANT TO
6	HAWAII REVISED STATUTES SECTION 667-41
7	WHAT IS FORECLOSURE?
8	This notice informs you regarding a lender's
9	right to foreclose in the event of a default on the
10	loan you have applied for or are considering if your
11	home is used to secure its repayment.
12	The mortgage agreement or contract that you may
13	enter into states that in the event the amounts due
14	under the loan are not paid when they are due, or for
15	other reasons you do not perform your promises in the
16	note and mortgage, all of which are known as defaults,
17	the lender shall have the option to foreclose the
18	mortgage, which will result in a sale of your home.
19	The entity or person who holds your mortgage
20	("Mortgagee") may send you a notice informing you that
21	the Mortgagee is starting foreclosure proceedings.
22	You should not wait for that to happen; take steps to

1	prevent a foreclosure as soon as you are having
2	trouble paying your mortgage. You should contact your
3	lender or your lender's loan servicer, or you may
4	contact a budget and credit counselor or housing
5	counselor, to discuss your situation.
6	STEP ONE: NOTICE OF DEFAULT. The first step in
7	the foreclosure process is the Mortgagee usually sends
8	you a written notice of default, which occurs after
9	you are past due on your mortgage payment. The
10	Mortgagee will tell you in the notice how much time
11	you have to pay the required amount that is past due
12	and, by paying, will return your loan to good
13	standing.
14	STEP TWO: PROCEEDING TO FORECLOSURE. If you do
15	not pay the required amount past due by the deadline
16	in the notice of default, the Mortgagee may elect to
17	proceed to collect the balance due on your loan
18	through foreclosure. In Hawaii, there are two types
19	of foreclosures: judicial and nonjudicial.
20	In a JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE, the Mortgagee files a
21	lawsuit against you in order to obtain a court
22	judgment that you owe the balance due under your loan

1	and to obtain an order to sell the property. The
2	initial legal document you will receive in the lawsuit
3	is called the complaint. You should consult an
4	attorney of your choice who can advise you as to the
5	steps needed to protect your rights. Judicial
6	foreclosure involves the sale of the mortgaged
7	property under the supervision of the court. You will
8	receive notice of the foreclosure case hearings and
9	the sale date and the judicial decision is announced
10	after a hearing in court. The sale of the property
11	must be approved by the court before it can be
12	completed.
13	In a NONJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE, the process follows
14	the procedures spelled out in Chapter 667 of the
15	Hawaii Revised Statutes and in your mortgage. The
16	nonjudicial procedures allow a Mortgagee to foreclose
17	on and sell the property identified in the mortgage
18	without filing a lawsuit or court supervision. This
19	nonjudicial foreclosure is also called a power of sale
20	foreclosure. The Mortgagee starts the process by
21	giving you a written notice of default and of the
22	Mortgagee's intent to sell the property.

1	After the required time has elapsed, you will be
2	sent a notice of nonjudicial foreclosure sale, which
3	will tell you the date and location of the sale.
4	In a NONJUDICIAL foreclosure, if you own an
5	interest in the property you may have the right to
6	participate in the Mortgage Foreclosure Dispute
7	Resolution Program or to convert the nonjudicial
8	foreclosure into a judicial foreclosure. The
9	nonjudicial foreclosure may not proceed during the
10	dispute resolution process or after it has been
11	converted to a judicial foreclosure.
12	PLEASE NOTE: Even if a judicial or nonjudicial
13	foreclosure has commenced, you may be able to
14	reinstate the loan and keep your home if you pay the
15	delinquent amount then due and the foreclosure
16	expenses that your Mortgagee has incurred. You must
17	contact the Mortgagee as soon as possible to determine
18	whether reinstatement is possible.
19	STEP THREE: PUBLIC SALE, The sale of a
20	foreclosed home is usually made through a public
21	auction, where the highest bidder who can make a cash
22	deposit of up to 10% of the bid can buy the property.

1	In a judicial foreclosure, the court appoints a third
2	party commissioner to advertise and conduct the sale.
3	In a nonjudicial foreclosure, the Mortgagee advertises
4	and conducts the sale. In both types of sales, the
5	Mortgagee has the right to buy the property by
6	submitting a credit bid based upon the balance owed on
7	the mortgage, so long as its bid is higher than any
8	other bids. If the Mortgagee buys the property, the
9	Mortgagee has the right to re-sell it in a private
10	sale at a later date.
11	STEP FOUR: DISBURSEMENT OF PROCEEDS; POTENTIAL
12	DEFICIENCY JUDGMENT. After the foreclosure sale is
13	completed, the proceeds are paid out to lien holders,
14	including the Mortgagee, in the order set by law and
15	lastly to you if there are any proceeds left.
16	In a JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE, the court tells the
17	commissioner whom to pay and how much. If the
18	property did not sell for enough to pay off the
19	balance due under your loan, the Mortgagee has the
20	right to ask the court for a deficiency judgment
21	against you for the difference.

1	In a NONJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE, the Mortgagee
2	distributes the proceeds from the sale. Unless the
3	debt is secured by other collateral, or except as
4	otherwise provided by the law, the recordation of both
5	the conveyance document and affidavit shall operate as
6	full satisfaction of the debt.
7	READ THE NOTE AND MORTGAGE CAREFULLY TO
8	UNDERSTAND WHAT IS REQUIRED AND HOW TO AVOID
9	FORECLOSURE, AND CONSULT WITH AN ATTORNEY REGARDING
10	YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS.
11	(c) The requirements of this section shall apply only to
12	written loan applications submitted, or to loans where
13	residential property is required to be used as security, after
14	August 31, 2012."
15	SECTION 26. Section 667-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16	amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:
17	"(a) An owner-occupant of a residential property that is
18	subject to nonjudicial foreclosure under part $[\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{1}]$ II may
19	convert the action to a judicial foreclosure provided that:
20	(1) A petition conforming to section 667-54 shall be filed
21	with the circuit court in the circuit where the
22	residential property is located, stating that the

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1		owner-occupant of the property elects to convert the
2		nonjudicial foreclosure to a judicial foreclosure
3		proceeding no later than thirty days after the
4		foreclosure notice is served on the owner-occupant as
5		required by section [667 5 or] 667-22;
6	(2)	Within forty-five days of the filing of the petition,
7		all owner-occupants and mortgagors of an interest in
8		the residential property whose interests are pledged
9		or otherwise encumbered by the mortgage that is being
10		foreclosed and all persons who have signed the
11		promissory note or other instrument evidencing the
12		debt secured by the mortgage that is being foreclosed,
13		including without limitation co-obligors and
14		guarantors, shall file a statement in the circuit
15		court action that they agree to submit themselves to
16		the judicial process and the jurisdiction of the
17		circuit court; provided further that if this condition
18		is not satisfied, the circuit court action may be
19		dismissed with prejudice as to the right of any owner-
20		occupant to convert the action to a judicial
21		proceeding, and the mortgagee may proceed
22		nonjudicially;

1	(3)	Filing a petition pursuant to paragraph (1) shall
2		automatically stay the nonjudicial foreclosure action
3		unless and until the judicial proceeding has been
4		dismissed;
5	(4)	The person filing the petition pursuant to paragraph
6		(1) shall have an affirmative duty to promptly notify
7		the Hawaii attorney who is handling the nonjudicial
8		foreclosure about the filing of the complaint for
9		conversion;
10	(5)	All parties joined in the converted judicial
11		proceeding may assert therein any claims and defenses
12		that they could have asserted had the action
13		originally been commenced as a judicial foreclosure
14		action; and
15	(6)	[Notwithstanding chapter 607, the] The fee for filing
16		the petition shall be [not more than \$525, of which]
17		\$250, which shall be deposited into the mortgage
18		foreclosure dispute resolution special fund
19		established under section 667-86[; provided that if
20		the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program
21		under part V has not yet been implemented, the filing
22		fee shall be not more than \$300].

1	(b)	This section shall not apply to foreclosures of
2	associati	on liens that arise under a declaration filed pursuant
3	to chapte	r <u>421J,</u> 514A <u>,</u> or 514B."
4	SECT	ION 27. Section 667-54, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
6	"[+]	(a)[+] A petition filed pursuant to section 667-53
7	shall con	tain at a minimum:
8	(1)	A caption setting forth the name of the court, the
9		title of the action, and the file number; provided
10		that the title of the action shall include the names
11		of the filing party as petitioner and the foreclosing
12		party as the respondent;
13	(2)	The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the
14		filing party;
15	(3)	The address or tax map key number, and the certificate
16		of title or transfer certificate of title number if
17		[within the land court's jurisdiction, registered in
18		the land court, of the property subject to the
19		foreclosure action;
20	(4)	A statement identifying all other owner-occupants and
21		mortgagors of the property whose interests are pledged

or otherwise encumbered by the mortgage that is being

1		foreclosed and all persons who have signed the
2		promissory note or other instrument evidencing the
3		debt secured by the mortgage that is being foreclosed,
4		including without limitation co-obligors and
5		guarantors;
6	(5)	A certification under penalty of perjury that the
7		filing party is an owner-occupant of the subject
8		property and seeks to convert the nonjudicial
9		foreclosure to a judicial proceeding;
10	(6)	A statement certifying that the filing party served a
11		copy of the petition on the attorney identified in the
12		foreclosure notice under section [667 5 or] 667-22
13		either by personal delivery at, or by postage prepaid
14		United States mail to, the address of the attorney as
15		set forth in the foreclosure notice under section
16		[667-5 or] 667-22; and
17	(7)	A copy of the foreclosure notice that was served on
18		the filing party pursuant to section [667 5 or] 667-22
19		and for which the filing party is seeking to convert
20		to a judicial proceeding."
21	SECT	ION 28. Section 667-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
22	amended to	o read as follows:

1	"[+]§667-55[+] Notice of default and intention to
2	foreclose; residential property; required statement on
3	conversion. (a) The foreclosure notice that is served as
4	required under section [$\frac{667-5}{5}$ or] $667-22$ shall include, in
5	addition to the contents required under section [667-5 or] 667-
6	22, a statement printed in not less than fourteen-point font as
7	follows:
8	"IF THE PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED IS
9	IMPROVED AND USED FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES, AN
10	OWNER-OCCUPANT OF THE PROPERTY (DEFINED IN
11	CHAPTER 667 OF THE HAWAII REVISED STATUTES AS A
12	PERSON WHO, AT THE TIME THIS NOTICE IS SERVED,
13	OWNS AN INTEREST IN THE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY THAT
14	IS SUBJECT TO THE MORTGAGE BEING FORECLOSED AND
15	THE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY HAS BEEN THE PRIMARY
16	RESIDENCE CONTINUOUSLY FOR NOT LESS THAN TWO
17	HUNDRED DAYS) HAS THE RIGHT TO CONVERT A
18	NONJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING TO A JUDICIAL
19	FORECLOSURE WHERE CLAIMS AND DEFENSES MAY BE
20	CONSIDERED BY A COURT OF LAW. TO EXERCISE THIS
21	RIGHT, THE OWNER-OCCUPANT SHALL COMPLETE AND FILE
22	THE ATTACHED FORM WITH THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE

1	CIRCUIT WHERE THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED WITHIN
2	THIRTY DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THIS NOTICE.
3	IN ADDITION, ALL OWNER-OCCUPANTS AND
4	MORTGAGORS OF THE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WHOSE
5	INTERESTS HAVE BEEN PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE
6	ENCUMBERED BY THE MORTGAGE THAT IS BEING
7	FORECLOSED AND ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE SIGNED THE
8	PROMISSORY NOTE OR OTHER INSTRUMENT EVIDENCING
9	THE DEBT SECURED BY THE MORTGAGE THAT IS BEING
10	FORECLOSED, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, CO-
11	OBLIGORS AND GUARANTORS, SHALL FILE A STATEMENT
12	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT ACTION THAT THEY AGREE TO
13	SUBMIT TO THE JUDICIAL PROCESS AND THE
14	JURISDICTION OF THE CIRCUIT COURT WITHIN FORTY-
15	FIVE DAYS OF THE FILING OF THE ATTACHED FORM.
16	FAILURE TO SATISFY THIS CONDITION MAY RESULT IN
17	DISMISSAL OF THE CIRCUIT COURT ACTION WITH
18	PREJUDICE.
19	AN OWNER-OCCUPANT SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE
20	HAWAII ATTORNEY LISTED IN THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE
21	FILING OF THE CONVERSION FORM.
22	MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE DISPUTE RESOLUTION MAY

1	BE AVAILABLE IN NONJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE ACTIONS
2	AS AN ALTERNATIVE FOR OWNER-OCCUPANTS ATTEMPTING
3	TO AVOID FORECLOSURE OR TO MITIGATE THE EFFECTS
4	OF FORECLOSURE ON AN OWNER-OCCUPANT. HOWEVER, IF
5	AN OWNER-OCCUPANT FILES FOR CONVERSION, DISPUTE
6	RESOLUTION MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE UNLESS ORDERED BY
7	A JUDGE.
8	A FORECLOSING LENDER WHO COMPLETES A
9	NONJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY
10	[SHALL] COULD BE PROHIBITED UNDER HAWAII LAW FROM
11	PURSUING A DEFICIENCY JUDGMENT AGAINST A
12	MORTGAGOR [UNLESS THE DEBT IS SECURED BY OTHER
13	COLLATERAL, OR AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW]. IF
14	THIS ACTION IS CONVERTED TO A JUDICIAL
15	PROCEEDING, HOWEVER, THEN ALL REMEDIES AVAILABLE
16	TO A LENDER MAY BE ASSERTED, INCLUDING THE RIGHT
17	TO SEEK A DEFICIENCY JUDGMENT.
18	(b) The statement required by this section shall not be
19	required to be included in [the notice of sale published
20	pursuant to 667 5(a)(1) or] the public notice of public sale
21	published pursuant to section 667-27."

1	SECT	10N 29. Section 667-56, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended t	o read as follows:
3	" [[]	§667-56[+] Prohibited conduct. It shall be a
4	prohibite	d practice for any foreclosing mortgagee to engage in
5	any of th	e following practices:
6	(1)	Holding a public sale on a date, at a time, or at a
7		place other than that described in the public notice
8		of the public sale or a properly noticed postponement;
9	(2)	Specifying a fictitious place in the public notice of
10		the public sale;
11	(3)	Conducting a postponed public sale on a date other
12		than the date described in the new public notice of
13		the public sale;
14	(4)	Delaying the delivery of the recorded, conformed copy
15		of the conveyance document to a bona fide purchaser
16		who purchases in good faith for more than [forty five]
17		sixty days after the completion of the public sale;
18	(5)	Completing nonjudicial foreclosure proceedings during
19		short sale escrows with a bona fide purchaser if the
20		short sale offer is at least [five] ten per cent
21		greater than the public sale price; provided that
22		escrow is opened within ten days and closed within

1		forty-five days of the public sale; and provided
2		further that a bona fide short sale purchaser shall
3		have priority over any other purchaser;
4	(6)	Completing nonjudicial foreclosure proceedings during
5		bona fide loan modification negotiations with the
6		mortgagor; or
7	(7)	Completing nonjudicial foreclosure proceedings against
8		a mortgagor who has been accepted or is being
9		evaluated for consideration for entry into a federal
10		loan modification program before obtaining a
11		certificate or other documentation confirming that the
12		mortgagor is no longer eligible for, or an active
13		participant of, that federal program."
14	SECT	ION 30. Section 667-57, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15	amended t	o read as follows:
16	" [[]	§667-57[] Suspension of foreclosure actions by junior
17	lienholde	rs. (a) Upon'initiation of a foreclosure action
18	pursuant	to part $[\pm]$ <u>IA</u> or part II by a foreclosing mortgagee
19	[as defin	ed in section 667 21(b)], no junior lienholder shall be
20	permitted	to initiate or continue a nonjudicial foreclosure
21	pursuant	to part $[\pm]$ II until the foreclosure initiated by the
22	foreclosi	ng mortgagee has been concluded by a judgment issued by
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1 a court pursuant to section $[\frac{667-1}{1}]$ 667-1.5, the recording of 2 an affidavit after public sale pursuant to section [667 5 or] 3 667-33, or the filing of [a settlement document] an agreement 4 under the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution provisions of 5 section 667-81. 6 (b) Upon initiation of a foreclosure action pursuant to 7 part [#] IA or part II by a foreclosing mortgagee [as defined in 8 section 667 21(b)], no junior lienholder shall be permitted to 9 initiate a nonjudicial foreclosure pursuant to part II during 10 the pendency of a stay pursuant to section 667-83; provided that 11 a junior lienholder may initiate or continue with a nonjudicial 12 foreclosure pursuant to part II if [the]: 13 The junior lien foreclosure was initiated before the (1) 14 foreclosure action by the foreclosing mortgagee[-]; or 15 (2) The junior lienholder is an association and has not 16 been provided notice of the foreclosure action, pursuant to section 667-21.5, or has not received 17 **18** written notification of a case opening pursuant to 19 section 667-79." 20 SECTION 31. Section 667-58, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 21 amended to read as follows:

- "[+]\$667-58[+] Valid notice[-]; affiliate statement. (a)
- 2 Any notices made pursuant to this chapter may be issued only by
- 3 persons authorized by a foreclosing mortgagee or lender pursuant
- 4 to an affiliate statement signed by that foreclosing mortgagee
- 5 or lender and recorded at the bureau of conveyances identifying
- 6 the agency or affiliate relationship and the authority granted
- 7 or conferred to that agent or representative.
- 8 (b) The bureau of conveyances document number for the
- 9 affiliate statement required under subsection (a) shall be
- 10 included in any notice required to be personally served upon the
- 11 mortgagor or borrower under this chapter.
- 12 (c) Any notice provided by a mortgage servicer, including
- 13 an agent, employee, or representative of that mortgage servicer,
- 14 shall be issued only by a mortgage servicer that has been listed
- 15 in the affiliate statement filed by the foreclosing mortgagee or
- 16 lender under subsection (a); provided further that the mortgage
- 17 servicer shall be licensed under or otherwise exempt from
- 18 chapter 454M. The agency relationship or affiliation of the
- 19 mortgage servicer and the foreclosing mortgagee or lender and
- 20 any authority granted or conferred to that mortgage servicer
- 21 shall be described in the affiliate statement filed under both
- 22 subsection (a) and section 454M-5(a)(4)(F).

- 1 (d) No attorney of a mortgage servicer, foreclosing 2 mortgagee, or lender shall be required to be included in any 3 affiliate statement of a foreclosing mortgagee or lender. No 4 notice or other correspondence made by any attorney for the 5 foreclosing mortgagee or lender shall be required to reference 6 any affiliate statement made by the foreclosing mortgagee or 7 lender. Any notice or other correspondence made by any attorney 8 for a mortgage servicer shall reference, in accordance with 9 subsection (b), the appropriate affiliate statement of the foreclosing mortgagee or lender authorizing the mortgage 10 11 servicer to act." 12 SECTION 32. Section 667-59, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 13 amended to read as follows: 14 "[+]\$667-59[+] Actions and communications with the 15 mortgagor in connection with a foreclosure. A foreclosing 16 mortgagee shall be bound by all agreements, obligations, **17** representations, or inducements made on its behalf by its 18 agents, including but not limited to its employees, 19 representatives, mortgage servicers, or persons authorized by a 20 foreclosing mortgagee or lender pursuant to an affiliate 21 statement recorded in the bureau of conveyances pursuant to
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section 667-58.

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1	\[For purposes of this section, "foreclosing mortgagee" has
2	the same-meaning as in section 667-21.] "
3	SECTION 33. Section 667-63, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
5	"(a) A mortgage creditor having a mortgage lien on a time
6	share interest who desires notice that another mortgage creditor
7	having a mortgage lien on the time share interest intends to
8	foreclose and sell the mortgaged time share interest, pursuant
9	to the power of sale under section 667-62, may submit a written
10	request to the mortgagee who is foreclosing or who may foreclose
11	the mortgage by power of sale, <u>asking</u> to receive notice of the
12	mortgagee's intention to foreclose the mortgage under section
13	667-62. The request for notice:
14	(1) May be submitted any time after the recordation [Θ *
15	filing] of the subject mortgage [at the bureau of
16	conveyances or the land court, but shall be]; provided
17	that the request is submitted prior to completion of
18	publication of notice of the intention to foreclose
19	the mortgage and of the sale of the mortgaged time
20	share interest;
21	(2) Shall be signed by the mortgage creditor desiring to
22	receive notice, or its authorized representative; and

- (3) Shall specify the name and address of the person to
 whom the notice is to be mailed."
- 3 SECTION 34. Section 667-71, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 4 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:
- 5 "(a) This part shall apply to nonjudicial foreclosures
- 6 conducted by power of sale under [parts I and] part II, of
- 7 residential real property that is occupied by one or more
- 8 mortgagors who are owner-occupants.
- 9 (b) This part shall not apply to actions by an association
- 10 to foreclose on a lien for amounts owed to the association that
- 11 arise under a declaration filed pursuant to chapter 421J, 514A,
- 12 or 514B, or to a mortgagor who has previously participated in
- 13 dispute resolution under this part for the same property on the
- 14 same mortgage loan."
- 15 SECTION 35. Section 667-73, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended as follows by amending subsection (c) to read as
- 17 follows:
- 18 "(c) The department is authorized to contract with county,
- 19 state, or federal agencies, and with private organizations,
- 20 approved housing counselors, and approved budget and credit
- 21 counselors for the performance of any of the functions of this

- 1 part. These contracts shall not be subject to chapter 103D or
- **2** 103F."
- 3 SECTION 36. Section 667-74, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 "[f]§667-74[f] Availability of dispute resolution required
- 6 before foreclosure. Before a public sale may be conducted
- 7 pursuant to section [667 5 or] 667-25 for a residential property
- 8 that is occupied by an owner-occupant [as a primary residence],
- 9 the foreclosing mortgagee [shall], at the election of the owner-
- 10 occupant, shall participate in the mortgage foreclosure dispute
- 11 resolution program under this part to attempt to negotiate an
- 12 agreement that avoids foreclosure or mitigates damages in cases
- 13 where foreclosure is unavoidable."
- 14 SECTION 37. Section 667-75, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 15 amended to read as follows:
- 16 "[f]§667-75[f] Notice of dispute resolution availability
- 17 required. (a) A foreclosure notice served pursuant to section
- 18 $\left[\frac{667-5-ox}{6}\right]$ 667-22(e) shall include notice that the mortgagee is
- 19 required, at the election of an owner-occupant, to participate
- 20 in the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program pursuant
- 21 to this part to attempt to avoid foreclosure or to mitigate
- 22 damages where foreclosure is unavoidable.

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1	(b)	The notice required by subsection (a) shall be printed
2	in not le	ss than fourteen-point font and include:
3	(1)	The name and contact information of the mortgagor and
4		the mortgagee;
5	(2)	The subject property address and legal description,
6		including tax map key number and the certificate of
7		title or transfer certificate of title number if
8		[within the land court's jurisdiction;] registered in
9		the land court;
10	(3)	The name and contact information of a person or entity
11		authorized to negotiate a loan modification on behalf
12		of the mortgagee;
13	(4)	A statement that the mortgagor shall consult with an
14		approved housing counselor or an approved budget and
15		credit counselor at least thirty days prior to the
16		first day of a scheduled dispute resolution session;
17	(5).	Contact information for all [local] approved housing
18		counselors;
19	(6)	Contact information for all [local] approved budget
20		and credit counselors;
21	(7)	A statement that the mortgagor electing to participate
22	•	in the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program

_		sharr provide a certification ander penalty or perjury
2		to the department that the mortgagor is an owner-
3		occupant of the subject property, including supporting
4		documentation;
5	(8)	A general description of the information that an
6		owner-occupant electing to participate in the mortgage
7		foreclosure dispute resolution program is required to
8		provide to participate in the program as described
9		under section 667-80(c)(2);
10	(9)	A statement that the owner-occupant shall elect to
11		participate in the mortgage foreclosure dispute
12		resolution program pursuant to this part no later than
13		thirty days after the department's mailing of the
14		notice or the right shall be waived."
15	SECT	ION 38. Section 667-76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16	amended by	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
17	"(a)	Within three days after a mortgagee serves a
18	foreclosu	re notice on an owner-occupant pursuant to section
19	[667-5-ox] 667-22, the mortgagee shall file the foreclosure
20	notice wi	th the department and pay a filing fee of \$250, which
21	shall be	deposited into the mortgage foreclosure dispute
22	resolution	n special fund established under section 667-86."

1	SECT	ION 39. Section 667-77, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended to	o read as follows:	
3	" [+]:	§667-77[+] Notification to mortgagor by department.	
4	Within te	n days after the mortgagee's filing of a notice of	
5	default a	nd intention to foreclose with the department, the	
6	departmen	t shall mail a written notification by registered or	
7	certified mail to the mortgagor that a notice of default and		
8	intention	to foreclose has been filed with the department. The	
9	notificat:	ion shall inform the mortgagor of an owner-occupant's	
10	right to	elect to participate in the foreclosure dispute	
11	resolution	n program and shall include:	
12	(1)	Information about the mortgage foreclosure dispute	
13		resolution program;	
14	(2)	A form for an owner-occupant to elect or to waive	
15		participation in the mortgage foreclosure dispute	
16		resolution program pursuant to this part that shall	
17	•	contain instructions for the completion and return of	
18		the form to the department and the department's	
19		mailing address;	
20	(3)	A statement that the mortgagor electing to participate	
21		in the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program	
22		shall provide a certification under penalty of perjury	

		to the department that the moregagor is an owner-
2		occupant of the subject property, including a
3		description of acceptable supporting documentation as
4		required by section 667-78(a)(2);
5	(4)	A statement that the owner-occupant shall elect to
6		participate in the mortgage foreclosure dispute
7		resolution program pursuant to this part no later than
8		thirty days after the department's mailing of the
9		notice or the owner-occupant shall be deemed to have
10		waived the option to participate in the mortgage
11		foreclosure dispute resolution program;
12	(5)	A description of the information required under
13		section 667-80(c)(2) that the owner-occupant shall
14		provide to the mortgagee and the neutral assigned to
15		the dispute resolution;
16	(6)	A statement that the owner-occupant shall consult with
17		an approved housing counselor or approved budget and
18		credit counselor at least thirty days prior to the
19		first day of a scheduled dispute resolution session;
20	(7)	Contact information for all [local] approved housing
21		counselors;

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1	(8) Contact information for all [local] approved budget
2	and credit counselors; and
3	(9) Contact information for the department.
4	The notification shall be mailed to the subject property address
5	and any other addresses for the mortgagor as provided in the
6	mortgagee's notice of dispute resolution under [+]section[+]
7	667-75 and the foreclosure notice under section [667 5 or] 667-
8	22(a)."
9	SECTION 40. Section 667-78, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10	amended as follows:
11	1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
12	"(a) An owner-occupant elects to participate in the
13	mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program by returning to
14	the department:
15	(1) The completed program election form provided
16	[pursuant] <u>:</u>
17	(A) Pursuant to section 667-77(2); or
18	(B) On a website maintained by the department;
19	(2) Certification under penalty of perjury that the
20	mortgagor is an owner-occupant, accompanied with any
21	supporting documentation, including copies of recent
22	utility billing statements, voter registration

- 1 records, real estate property tax records, or state
- identification forms; and
- 3 (3) A program fee of \$300.
- 4 The completed form and fees shall be received by the department
- 5 no later than thirty days after mailing of the department's
- 6 notification pursuant to section 667-77."
- 7 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:
- 8 "(c) If the owner-occupant does not elect to participate
- 9 in dispute resolution pursuant to this part, the department
- 10 shall notify the mortgagee within ten days of receiving an
- 11 election form indicating nonelection or the termination of the
- 12 thirty-day time period for election. After receiving the
- 13 department's notification, the mortgagee may proceed with the
- 14 nonjudicial foreclosure process according to the process
- 15 provided in [part I or] part II of this chapter[-, as
- 16 applicable]."
- 17 SECTION 41. Section 667-79, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 18 amended as follows:
- 19 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
- 20 "(a) If an owner-occupant elects to participate in the
- 21 mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program, the department
- 22 shall open a dispute resolution case. Within twenty days of



- 1 receipt of the owner-occupant's election form and fee in
- 2 accordance with section 667-78, the department shall mail
- 3 written notification of the case opening to the parties and, if
- 4 applicable, the condominium or other homeowner association of
- 5 the project where the owner-occupant's property is located, by
- 6 registered mail, return receipt requested, which shall include:
- 7 (1) Notification of the date, time, and location of the
- 8 dispute resolution session;
- 9 (2) An explanation of the dispute resolution process;
- 10 (3) Information about the dispute resolution program
- 11 requirements; and
- 12 (4) Consequences and penalties for noncompliance.
- 13 The dispute resolution session shall be scheduled for a date no
- 14 less than [thirty] forty and no more than [sixty] seventy days
- 15 from the date of the notification of case opening, unless
- 16 mutually agreed to by the parties and the neutral.
- 17 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:
- 18 "(c) The written notification of a case opening under this
- 19 section shall operate as a stay of the foreclosure proceeding in
- 20 accordance with section $667-83[_{7}]$ and may be $[\frac{\text{filed or}}{}]$
- 21 recorded[, as appropriate, at the land-court or bureau-of
- 22 conveyances]."



1	SECT	10N 42. Section 667-80, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended a	s follows:
3	1.	By amending subsection (a) to read:
4	" (a)	The parties to a dispute resolution process conducted
5	under thi	s part shall consist of the owner-occupant or the
6	owner-occ	upant's representative, and the mortgagee or the
7	mortgagee	's representative; provided that:
8	(1)	A representative of the mortgagee who participates in
9		the dispute resolution shall be authorized to
10		negotiate a loan modification on behalf of the
11		mortgagee or shall have, at all stages of the dispute
12		resolution process, direct access by telephone,
13		videoconference, or other immediately available
14		contemporaneous telecommunications medium to a person
15		who is so authorized;
16	(2)	The mortgagee and owner-occupant may be represented by
17		[counsel;] an attorney; and
18	(3)	The owner-occupant may be assisted by an approved
19		housing counselor or approved budget and credit
20		counselor."

1	2. By am	ending subsection (c) to read:
2	"(c) The	parties shall comply with all information
3	requests from	the department or neutral. No less than fifteen
4	days prior to	the first day of the scheduled dispute resolution
5	session:	
6	(1) The	mortgagee shall provide to the department and the
7	mort	gagor:
8	(A)	A copy of the promissory note, signed by the
9		mortgagor, including any endorsements, allonges,
10		amendments, or riders to the note evidencing the
11		mortgage debt;
12	(B)	A copy of the mortgage document and any
13		amendments, riders, or other documentation
14		evidencing the mortgagee's right of nonjudicial
15		foreclosure and interest in the property
16		including any interest as a successor or
17		assignee; and
18	(C)	Financial records and correspondence that confirm
19		the mortgage loan is in default.
20	(2) The	owner-occupant shall provide to the department and
21	the	mortgagee:

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1	(A)	Documentation showing income qualification for a
2		loan modification, including any copies of pay
3		stubs, W-2 forms, social security or disability
4		income, retirement income, child support income,
5	•	or any other income that the owner-occupant deems
6		relevant to the owner-occupant's financial
7		ability to repay the mortgage;
8	(B)	Any records or correspondence available which may
9		dispute that the mortgage loan is in default;
10	(C)	Any records or correspondence available
11		evidencing a loan modification or amendment;
12	(D)	Any records or correspondence available that
13		indicate the parties are currently engaged in
14		bona fide negotiations to modify the loan or
15		negotiate a settlement of the delinquency;
16	(E)	Names and contact information for approved
17		housing counselors, approved budget and credit
18		counselors, or representatives of the mortgagee,
19		with whom the owner-occupant may have or is
20		currently working with to address the
21		delinquency; and

1	(F) Verification of counseling by an approved housing
2	counselor or approved budget and credit
3	counselor."
4	SECTION 43. Section 667-81, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5	amended by amending subsections (b), (c), and (d) to read as
6	follows:
7	"(b) If, despite the parties' participation in the dispute
8	resolution process and compliance with the requirements of this
9	part, the parties are not able to come to an agreement, the
10	neutral shall file a closing report with the department that the
11	parties met the program requirements. The mortgagee may [file
12	or] record the report [at the bureau of conveyances or the land
13	court, as appropriate]. Upon recording of the report pursuant
14	to this subsection, the foreclosure process shall resume along
15	the timeline as it existed on the date before the mortgagor
16	elected dispute resolution, and may proceed as otherwise
17	provided by law. The mortgagee shall notify the mortgagor of
18	the recording date and document number of this report and the
19	deadline date to cure default in an amended foreclosure notice.
20	Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require the
21	neutral to wait the full sixty days allotted for dispute

- 1 resolution to determine that the parties were unable to reach an
- 2 agreement and file a report.
- 3 (c) If the parties have complied with the requirements of
- 4 this part and have reached an agreement, the agreement shall be
- 5 memorialized in [a-settlement document] writing and signed by
- 6 the parties or their authorized representatives. [#f the
- 7 parties or their authorized representatives participate in the
- 8 dispute resolution session in person, the settlement document
- 9 shall be signed in the presence of the neutral. If any of the
- 10 parties or their authorized representatives participate in the
- 11 dispute-resolution through telephone, videoconference, or other
- 12 immediately available contemporaneous telecommunications medium,
- 13 the settlement document shall be signed and returned to the
- 14 neutral no later than ten days after the conclusion of the
- 15 dispute resolution session.] The parties shall be responsible
- 16 for drafting any agreement reached[, and for filing or recording
- 17 with the land court or the bureau of conveyances, as
- ·18 appropriate, and enforcing the [settlement-document.]
- 19 agreement. [The neutral shall file the settlement document with
- 20 the neutral's closing report.] The [settlement document]
- 21 agreement shall be a contract between the parties and shall be
- 22 enforceable in a private contract action in a court of

- 1 appropriate jurisdiction in the event of breach by either party.
- 2 If the [settlement document] agreement allows for foreclosure or
- 3 other transfer of the subject property, the stay of the
- 4 foreclosure under section 667-83 shall be released upon [filing
- 5 or recording] the [settlement document] recordation of the
- 6 neutral's closing report [with the land court or bureau of
- 7 conveyances, as appropriate]. Thereafter, the office of the
- 8 assistant registrar of the land court or bureau of conveyances
- 9 may record a notice of sale or other conveyance document, as
- 10 appropriate.
- 11 (d) If the parties to a dispute resolution process reach
- 12 an agreement which resolves the matters at issue in the dispute
- 13 resolution before the first day of the scheduled dispute
- 14 resolution session scheduled pursuant to this section, the
- 15 parties shall notify the neutral by that date. The neutral
- 16 shall thereafter issue a closing report that the parties have
- 17 reached an agreement prior to the commencement of a dispute
- 18 resolution session. If the agreement provides for foreclosure,
- 19 the parties shall memorialize the agreement in a writing signed
- 20 by both parties [and provided to the neutral. Any agreement
- 21 authorizing foreclosure shall be attached to the neutral's
- 22 closing report]. The parties may [file or] record the report

- 1 [at the bureau of conveyances or the land court, as
- 2 appropriate]. If the agreement authorizes foreclosure, the stay
- 3 of the foreclosure under section 667-83 shall be released upon
- 4 [filing or recording with the land court or bureau of
- 5 conveyances, as appropriate.] the recordation of the report.
- 6 Thereafter, the land court or bureau of conveyances may record a
- 7 notice of sale or other conveyance document, as appropriate. No
- 8 fees shall be refunded if the parties come to an agreement prior
- 9 to a dispute resolution session conducted pursuant to this
- 10 part."
- 11 SECTION 44. Section 667-82, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 12 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 13 "(a) The neutral's closing report shall indicate if the
- 14 mortgagee or the owner-occupant failed to comply with
- 15 requirements of the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution
- 16 program.
- 17 (1) In the case of the mortgagee, failure to comply with
- the requirements of the program may consist of:
- 19 (A) Participation in dispute resolution without the
- 20 authority to negotiate a loan modification or
- 21 without access at all stages of the dispute

1			resolution process to a person who is so
2			authorized;
3		(B)	Failure to provide the required information or
4			documents;
5		(C)	Refusal to cooperate or participate in dispute
6			resolution; or
7		(D)	Refusal or failure to pay program fees under
8			section 667-79 in a timely manner.
9	(2)	In t	he case of the owner-occupant, failure to comply
10		with	the requirements of the program may consist of:
11		(A)	Failure to provide the required information or
12			documents; or
13		(B)	Refusal to cooperate or participate in dispute
14			resolution[-];
15		prov	ided that failure by the mortgagee and the owner-
16		occu	pant to reach an agreement to resolve the dispute
17		shal	l not constitute failure by the mortgagee or the
18		owne:	r-occupant to comply with the requirements of the
19		mort	gage foreclosure dispute resolution program."
20	SECTI	ON 4	5. Section 667-83, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21	amended by	amei	nding subsection (a) to read as follows:

1	"(a) Th	ne written notification of a case opening under
2	section 667-7	9 shall operate as a stay of the foreclosure
3	proceeding[+]	and may be [filed or] recorded[, as appropriate,
4	at the land o	court or bureau of conveyances.]; provided that:
5	<u>(1)</u> <u>The</u>	e written notification shall not act as a stay on a
6	for	eclosure proceeding by an association unless the
7	ass	sociation has been provided notice pursuant to
8	sec	ctions 667-5.5, 667-21.5, or 667-79; and
9	<u>(2)</u> The	e written notification shall not act as a stay on a
10	for	eclosure proceeding for the purpose of the date by
11	<u>whi</u>	ch the default must be cured pursuant to section
12	667	7-22(a)(6)."
13	SECTION	46. Section 667-86, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended by am	mending subsection (b) to read as follows:
15	"(b) Al	1 persons who record an affidavit in the office of
16	the assistant	registrar of the land court, pursuant to section
17	501-118, or w	ho record a conveyance document in the bureau of
18	conveyances f	or an owner-occupied property subject to a
19	nonjudicial p	ower of sale foreclosure shall pay a fee of \$100,
20	which shall k	e deposited into the mortgage foreclosure dispute
21	resolution sp	ecial fund on a quarterly basis."

1	PART IV
2	SECTION 47. Section 421J-A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
3	amended by amending subsection (h) to read as follows:
4	"(h) The amount of the special assessment assessed under
5	subsection (g) shall not exceed the total amount of unpaid
6	regular monthly common assessments that were assessed during the
7	$[{\color{blue}{\sf twelve}}]$ ${\color{blue}{\sf six}}$ months immediately preceding the completion of the
8	judicial or nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure."
9	SECTION 48. Section 454M-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10	amended to read as follows:
11	"§454M-10 Penalty. Any person who violates any provision
12	of this chapter may be subject to an administrative fine of not
13	more than \$7,000 for each violation[; provided that \$1,000 of
14	the aggregate fine amount shall be deposited into the mortgage
15	foreclosure dispute resolution special fund established pursuant
16	to section 667 86]."
17	SECTION 49. Section 514A-90, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18	amended by amending subsection (h) to read as follows:
19	"(h) The amount of the special assessment assessed under
20	subsection (g) shall not exceed the total amount of unpaid
21	regular monthly common assessments that were assessed during the

- 1 [twelve] six months immediately preceding the completion of the
- 2 judicial or nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure."
- 3 SECTION 50. Section 514B-146, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 4 amended by amending subsection (h) to read as follows:
- 5 "(h) The amount of the special assessment assessed under
- 6 subsection (g) shall not exceed the total amount of unpaid
- 7 regular monthly common assessments that were assessed during the
- 8 [twelve] six months immediately preceding the completion of the
- 9 judicial or nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure."
- 10 SECTION 51. Section 667-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 11 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- "(a) An owner-occupant of a residential property that is
- 13 subject to nonjudicial foreclosure under part II may convert the
- 14 action to a judicial foreclosure provided that:
- 15 (1) A petition conforming to section 667-54 shall be filed
- 16 with the circuit court in the circuit where the
- 17 residential property is located, stating that the
- owner-occupant of the property elects to convert the
- nonjudicial foreclosure to a judicial foreclosure
- 20 proceeding no later than thirty days after the
- 21 foreclosure notice is served on the owner-occupant as
- required by section 667-22;

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1	(2)	Within forty-five days of the filing of the petition,
2	•	all owner-occupants and mortgagors of an interest in
3		the residential property whose interests are pledged
4		or otherwise encumbered by the mortgage that is being
5		foreclosed and all persons who have signed the
6		promissory note or other instrument evidencing the
7		debt secured by the mortgage that is being foreclosed,
8		including without limitation co-obligors and
9		guarantors, shall file a statement in the circuit
10		court action that they agree to submit themselves to
11		the judicial process and the jurisdiction of the
12		circuit court; provided further that if this condition
13		is not satisfied, the circuit court action may be
14		dismissed with prejudice as to the right of any owner-
15		occupant to convert the action to a judicial
16		proceeding, and the mortgagee may proceed
17		nonjudicially;
18	(3)	Filing a petition pursuant to paragraph (1) shall
19		automatically stay the nonjudicial foreclosure action
20		unless and until the judicial proceeding has been
21		dismissed;

1	(4)	The person filing the petition pursuant to paragraph
2		(1) shall have an affirmative duty to promptly notify
3		the Hawaii attorney who is handling the nonjudicial
4		foreclosure about the filing of the complaint for
5		conversion;
6	(5)	All parties joined in the converted judicial
7		proceeding may assert therein any claims and defenses
8		that they could have asserted had the action
9		originally been commenced as a judicial foreclosure
10		action; and
11	(6)	The fee for filing the petition shall be \$250, which
12		shall be deposited into the [mortgage foreclosure
13		dispute-resolution special fund-established under
14		section 667-86.] compliance resolution fund.
15		PART V
16	SECT	ION 52. Act 48, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011, is
17	amended as	s follows:
18	1.	By amending section 10 to read:
19	"SEC	TION 10. Section 454M-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20	amended by	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
21	" (a)	A mortgage servicer licensed or acting under this
22	chapter, :	in addition to any other duties imposed by law, shall:

1	(1)	Safeguard and account for any money handled for the
2		borrower;
3	(2)	Act with reasonable skill, care, timeliness,
4		promptness, and diligence;
5	(3)	Disclose to the commissioner in the servicer's license
6		application and each yearly renewal a complete,
7		current schedule of the ranges of costs and fees it
8		charges borrowers for its servicing-related
9		activities;
10	(4)	File a report with each yearly renewal statement in a
11		form and format acceptable to the director detailing
12		the servicer's activities in this State, including:
13		(A) The number of mortgage loans the servicer is
14		servicing;
15		(B) The type and characteristics of loans serviced in
16		this State;
17		(C) The number of serviced loans in default, along
18		with a breakdown of thirty-, sixty-, and ninety-
19		day delinquencies;
20		(D) Information on loss mitigation activities,
21		including details on workout arrangements
22		undertaken;

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1		(E)	Information on forecrosures commenced in emp
2			State;
3		(F)	The affiliations of the mortgage servicer,
4			including any lenders or mortgagees for which the
5			mortgage servicer provides service, any
6			subsidiary or parent entities of the mortgage
7			servicer, and a description of the authority held
8			by the mortgage servicer through its
9			affiliations; and
10		(G)	Any other information that the commissioner may
11			require; and
12	(5)	Main	tain an office in the State that is staffed by at
13		leas	t one agent or employee for the purposes of
14		addr	essing consumer inquiries or complaints and
15		acce	epting service of process; provided that the
16		mort	gage servicer's business constitutes at least a
17		twen	aty per cent share of the portion of the total
18		mort	gage loan service market in the State that was
19		serv	viced by mortgage servicers licensed under this
20		char	oter within the previous calendar year; and
21	,	prov	vided further that nothing in this section shall
22		prot	nibit a mortgagee as defined by section [667-21]

1		667-1 or a mortgage servicer from contracting with a
2		licensee that maintains an office in this State in
3		conformity with this section for the purposes of
4		addressing consumer inquiries or complaints and
5		accepting service of process."
6	2.	By amending section 45 to read:
7	"SEC	TION 45. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
8	provided	that:
9	(1)	The mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program
10		established by section 1 of this Act shall be
11		operative no later than October 1, 2011;
12	(2)	[Sections] Section 1[, 13, and 14] shall be repealed
13		on September 30, 2014[, and sections 514A 90(h) and
14		514B-146(h), Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be
15		reenacted in the form in which they read on the day
16		before the effective date of this Act];
17	(3)	Section 10 shall take effect on July 1, 2012;
18	[-(4)-	Section 5 shall be repealed on December 31, 2012;
19	(5)]	(4) Section 7 shall be repealed on September 30,
20		2014, and section 26-9(o), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
21		shall be reenacted in the form in which it read on the
22		day before the effective date of this Act; and

1	$[\frac{(6)}{(5)}]$ Upon the repeal of section 1, all moneys
2	remaining in the mortgage foreclosure dispute
3	resolution special fund established under section 667-
4	P, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be transferred to
5	the compliance resolution fund established under
6	section 26-9(o), Hawaii Revised Statutes."
7	PART VI
8	SECTION 53. Section 667-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9	repealed.
10	["\$667-5 Foreclosure under power of sale; notice;
11	affidavit after sale; deficiency judgments. (a) When a power
12	of sale is contained in a mortgage, and where the mortgagee, the
13	mortgagee's successor in interest, or any person authorized by
14	the power to act in the premises, desires to foreclose under
15	power of sale upon breach of a condition of the mortgage, the
16	mortgagee, successor, or person shall be represented by an
17	attorney who is licensed to practice law in the State and is
18	physically located in the State. The attorney shall:
19	(1) Give notice of the mortgagee's, successor's, or
20	person's intention to foreclose the mortgage and of
21	the sale of the mortgaged property as follows:
22	(A) By serving, not less than twenty one days before

1	the date of sale, written notice of intent to
2	foreclose on all persons entitled to notice under
3	this part in the same manner as service of a
4	civil complaint under chapter 634 and the Hawaii
5	rules of civil procedure; provided that in the
6	case of nonjudicial foreclosure of a lien by an
7	association against a mortgagor who is not an
8	owner occupant, the association shall mail the
9	notice by certified or registered mail, not less
10	than twenty one days before the date of sale, to:
11	(i) The unit owner at the address shown in the
12	records of the association and, if
13	different, at the address of the unit being
14	foreclosed; and
15	(ii) All mortgage creditors whose names are known
16	or can be discovered by the association; and
17	(B) By publication of the notice once in each of
18	three successive weeks, constituting three
19	publications with the last publication to be not
20	less than fourteen days before the day of sale,
21	in a daily newspaper having the largest general
22	circulation in the specific county in which the

1		mortgaged property lies; provided that for
2		property located in a county with a population of
3		more than one hundred thousand but less than
4		three hundred thousand, the public notice shall
5		be published in the newspaper having the largest
6		circulation expressly in the eastern or western
7		half of the county, corresponding to the location
8		of the subject property;
9	(2)	Give notice of the mortgagor's right to elect to
10		participate in the mortgage foreclosure dispute
11		resolution program pursuant to section 667 75 or to
12		convert the nonjudicial power of sale foreclosure to a
13		judicial foreclosure pursuant to section 667-53; and
14	(3)	Give any notices and do all acts as authorized or
15		required by the power contained in the mortgage.
16	-(b)	Copies of the notice required under subsection (a)
17	shall be:	
18	(1)	Filed with the state director of taxation; and
9	(2)	Posted on the premises not less than twenty one days
20		before the day of sale.
21	(c)	Upon the request of any person entitled to notice
22	pursuant	to this section and sections 667 5.5 and 667 6, the

1	attorney,	the mortgagee, successor, or person represented by the
2	attorney	shall disclose to the requestor the following
3	informati	on:
4	(1)	The amount to cure the default, together with the
5		estimated amount of the foreclosing mortgagee's
6		attorneys' fees and costs, and all other fees and
7		costs estimated to be incurred by the foreclosing
8		mortgagee related to the default prior to the auction
9		within five business days of the request; and
10	(2)	The sale price of the mortgaged property once
11		auctioned.
12	(d)	Any sale, of which notice has been given pursuant to
13	subsection	ns (a) and (b) may be postponed from time to time by
14	public an	nouncement made by the mortgagee or by a person acting
15	on the mo	rtgagee's behalf. Upon request made by any person who
16	is entitle	ed to notice pursuant to section 667 5.5 or 667 6, or
17	this sect:	ion, the mortgagee or person acting on the mortgagee's
18	behalf sha	all provide the date and time of a postponed auction,
19	or if the	auction is canceled, information that the auction was
20	canceled.	The mortgagee, within thirty days after selling the
21	property i	in pursuance of the power, shall file a copy of the

notice of sale and the mortgagee's affidavit, setting forth the

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    mortgagee's acts in the premises fully and particularly, in the
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    bureau of conveyances.
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         (e) The mortgagee or other person, excluding an
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    association, who completes the nonjudicial foreclosure of a
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    mortgage or other lien on residential property pursuant to this
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    part shall not be entitled to pursue or obtain a deficiency
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    judgment against an owner occupant of the residential property
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    who, at the time the notice of intent to forcelose is served,
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    does not have a fee simple or leasehold ownership interest in any
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    other real property.
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         Nothing in this section shall prohibit any other mortgagee
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    or person who holds a lien on the residential property subject to
    the nonjudicial foreclosure, whose lien is subordinate to the
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    mortgage being forcelosed and is extinguished by the nonjudicial
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    foreclosure sale, from pursuing a monetary judgment against an
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    owner-occupant.
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        (f) Subject to the requirements of part V, the affidavit and
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    copy of the notice shall be recorded and indexed by the
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    registrar, in the manner provided in chapter 501 or 502, as the
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    case may be.
         (g) This section is inapplicable if the mortgagee is
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    foreclosing as to personal property only."]
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         SECTION 54. Section 667-5.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    repealed.
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         ["[$667-5.7] Public sale. At any public sale pursuant to
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    section-667 5, the successful bidder at the public sale, as the
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    purchaser, shall not be required to make a downpayment to the
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    foreclosing mortgagee of more than ten per cent of the highest
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    successful bid price."]
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         SECTION 55. Section 667-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    repealed.
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         [ * $667-6 Notice to mortgage creditors. Whenever a
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    mortgage creditor having a mortgage lien on certain premises
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    desires notice that another mortgage creditor having a mortgage
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    lien on the same premises intends to foreclose the mortgage and
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    sell the mortgaged property pursuant to a power of sale under
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    section 667 5, the mortgage creditor may submit a written
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    request to the mortgagee forcelosing or who may forcelose the
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    mortgage by power of sale, to receive notice of the mortgagee's
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    intention to foreclose the mortgage under power of sale. This
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    request for notice may be submitted any time after the
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    recordation or filing of the subject mortgage at the bureau of
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    conveyances or the land court, but must be submitted prior to
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    the completion of the publication of the mortgagee's notice of
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- 1 intention to foreclose the mortgage and of the sale of the
- 2 mortgaged property. This request shall be signed by the
- 3 mortgage creditor, or its authorized representative, desiring to
- 4 receive notice, specifying the name and address of the person to
- 5 whom the notice is to be mailed. The mortgagee receiving the
- 6 request shall thereafter give notice to all mortgage creditors
- 7 who have timely submitted their request. The notice shall be
- 8 sent by mail or otherwise communicated to the mortgage
- 9 creditors, not less than seven calendar days prior to the date
- 10 of sale.
- 11 No request for copy of any notice pursuant to this section
- 12 nor any statement or allegation in any such request nor any
- 13 record thereof shall affect the title to real property or be
- 14 deemed notice to any person that any party requesting copy of
- 15 the notice has or claims any right, title, or interest in, or
- 16 lien or charge upon the property described in the mortgage
- 17 referred to therein."
- 18 SECTION 56. Section 667-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 19 repealed.
- 20 ["\$667-7 Notice, contents; affidavit. (a) The notice of
- 21 intention of foreclosure shall contain:
- 22 (1) A description of the mortgaged property; and



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         (2) A statement of the time and place proposed for the
              sale thereof at any time after the expiration of four
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              weeks from the date when first advertised.
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         (b) The affidavit described under section 667 5 may
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    lawfully be made by any person duly authorized to act for the
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    mortgagee, and in such capacity conducting the foreclosure. "]
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         SECTION 57. Section 667-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    repealed.
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         ["$667-8 Affidavit as evidence, when. If it appears by
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    the affidavit that the affiant has in all respects complied with
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    the requirements of the power of sale and the statute, in
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    relation to all things to be done by the affiant before selling
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    the property, and has sold the same in the manner required by
    the power, the affidavit, or a duly certified copy of the record
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    thereof, shall be admitted as evidence that the power of sale
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    was duly executed."]
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         SECTION 58. Section 667-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    repealed.
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         ["[$667-14] Recordation of foreclosure notice. The
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    foreclosing mortgagee may record a copy of the foreclosure
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    notice with the assistant registrar of the land court or the
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    bureau of conveyances, as appropriate, in a manner similar to
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1	recordati	on of notices of pendency of action under section 501	
2	151 or section 634-51, as applicable. The recorded notice shal		
3	have the	same effect as a notice of pendency of action. From	
4	and after	the recordation of the notice, any person who becomes	
5	a purcha s	er or encumbrancer of the mortgaged property shall be	
6	deemed to	have constructive notice of the power of sale	
7	foreclosure and shall be bound by the foreclosure."]		
8	SECT	ION 59. Section 667-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
9	repealed.		
10	[" [S	667-15] Location of public sale following power of	
11	sale fore	closure. The public sale of the mortgaged property	
12	shall be	held only on grounds or at facilities under the	
13	administr	ation of the State, as follows:	
14	(1)	At the state capitol, for a public sale of mortgaged	
15		property located in the city and county of Honolulu;	
16	(2)	At a state facility in Hilo, for a public sale of	
17		mortgaged property located in the eastern portion of	
18		the county of Hawaii;	
19	(3['])	At a state facility in Kailua Kona, for a public sale	
20		of mortgaged property located in the western portion	
21		of the county of Hawaii;	

1	(4)	At a state facility in the county seat of Maui, for a
2		public sale of mortgaged property located in the
3		county of Maui; and
4	(5)	At a state facility in the county seat of Kauai, for a
5		public sale of mortgaged property located in the
6		county of Kauai;
7	as design	ated by the department of accounting and general
8	services;	provided that no public sale shall be held on grounds
9	or at fac	ilities under the administration of the judiciary. The
10	public sa	le shall be held during business hours on a business
11	day."]	
12	SECT	ION 60. Section 667-21.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13	repealed.	
14	[" [S	667-21.6] Foreclosure of association lien; cure of
15	default.	If a unit owner notifies the association or its
16	attorney :	by certified mail return receipt requested or by hand
17	delivery	within five business days following a response to the
18	unit owne	r's request for the amount to cure a default, together
19	with an e	stimated amount of the forcelosing association's
20	attorneys	' fees and costs, and all other fees and costs related
21	to the de	fault estimated to be incurred by the forcelosing
22	associati	on, that it intends to cure the default, the

- 1 association shall allow sixty calendar days to the unit owner to 2 cure the default. The association shall not reject a reasonable 3 payment plan for cure of the default; provided that a reasonable 4 plan shall require the owner to pay at a minimum the current 5 maintenance fee and some amount owed on the past due balance. 6 From and after the date that the unit owner gives written notice 7 to the association of its intent to cure the delinquency, any 8 nonjudicial forcelosure of the lien shall be stayed pending the 9 sixty day period or a longer period that is agreed upon by the 10 parties."] 11 SECTION 61. Section 667-50, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 12 repealed. 13 ["[§667-50] Definitions. For purposes of this chapter, 14 "foreclosure notice" shall mean notice of intention to foreclose 15 given pursuant to section 667-5 or notice of default and 16 intention to foreclose prepared pursuant to section 667 22."] **17** SECTION 62. Section 667-60, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 19 ["[\$667-60] Unfair or deceptive act or practice. Any
 20 foreclosing mortgagee who violates this chapter shall have
 21 committed an unfair or deceptive act or practice under section

repealed.

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         SECTION 63. Section 667-61, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    repealed.
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         ["[$667-61] Definitions. For the purposes of sections
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    667 62 to 667-65, "time share interest" shall have the same
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    meaning as in section 514E 1."]
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         SECTION 64. Section 667-72, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    repealed.
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         ["<del>[§667-72]</del> Definitions. As used in this part:
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         "Approved budget and credit counselor" means a budget and
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    eredit counseling agency that has received approval from a
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    United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator to provide
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    instructional courses concerning personal financial management
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    pursuant to Title 11 United States Code section 111.
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         "Approved housing counselor" means a housing counseling
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    agency that has received approval from the United States
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    Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide housing
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    counseling services pursuant to section 106(a)(2) of the Housing
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    and Urban Development Act of 1968, Title 12 United States Code
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    section 1701x.
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         "Association" has the same meaning as in sections 514B 3
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    and 421J-2.
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1	"Department" means the department of commerce and consumer
2	affairs.
3	"Director" means the director of commerce and consumer
4	affairs.
5	"Dispute resolution" means a facilitated negotiation
6	between a mortgagor and mortgagee for the purpose of reaching ar
7	agreement for mortgage loan modification or other agreement in
8	an attempt to avoid foreclosure or to mitigate damages if
9	foreclosure is unavoidable.
10	"Mortgagee" has the same meaning as the term is defined in
11	section 667 21.
12	"Mortgagor" has the same meaning as the term is defined in
13	section 667-21.
14	"Neutral" means a person who is a dispute resolution
15	specialist assigned to facilitate the dispute resolution process
16	required by this part.
17	"Owner-occupant" means a person, at the time that a notice
18	of default and intention to foreclose is served on the mortgagor
19	under the power of sale:
20	(1) Who owns an interest in the residential property, and
21	the interest is encumbered by the mortgage being
22	foreclosed; and

1	(2)	For whom the residential property is and has been the
2		person's primary residence for a continuous period of
3		not less than two hundred days immediately preceding
4		the date on which the notice is served."]
5	SECT	ION 65. In codifying the new sections added by
6	sections	2 and 3 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall
7	substitut	e appropriate section numbers for the letters used in
8	designati	ng the new sections in this Act.
9	SECT	ION 66. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
10	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
11	SECT	ION 67. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
12	provided	that:
13	(1)	Section 667- , Hawaii Revised Statutes, in section 3
14		of this Act, shall take effect on October 1, 2014;
15	(2)	Section 10 of this Act, amending section 607-5(a) and
16		(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the amendments made
17		to section 667-53(a)(6), Hawaii Revised Statutes, in
18		section 26 of this Act, shall take effect on August
19		15, 2012;
20	(3)	Section 25 of this Act, amending section 667-41,
21		Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall take effect on
22		September 1, 2012;

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1	(4)	Sections 47, 48, 49, 50, and 51 in part IV of this
2		Act, amending sections 421J-A(h), 454M-10, 514A-90,
3		514B-146, and 667-53(a)(6), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
4		shall take effect on September 30, 2014; and
5	(5)	The amendments made to section 10 of Act 48, Session
6		Laws of Hawaii 2011, in section 52 of this Act, shall
7		take effect on June 30, 2012.

Report Title:

Mortgage Foreclosures; Homeowner Association Liens and Assessments

Description:

Implements the 2011 recommendations of the mortgage foreclosure task force to address various issues relating to the mortgage foreclosures law and related issues affecting homeowner association liens and the collection of unpaid assessments. Repeals the nonjudicial foreclosure process under part I of chapter 667, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Repeals the provision automatically making all violations of the mortgage foreclosure law an unfair or deceptive act or practice. Following the expiration of the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution program in 2014, specifies certain foreclosure violations as unfair or deceptive acts or practices, limits the types of violations that may void a title transfer of foreclosed property, and establishes a time limit for filing actions to void title transfers of foreclosed property. (HB1875 HD2)

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