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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO REGISTRATION OF TIME SHARES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that time share  
2 accommodations form an important component of Hawaii's visitor  
3 industry and provide a consistent and steady stream of visitors  
4 and revenue for the State's overall economy.

5           The legislature further finds that the time share industry  
6 itself has matured so that many of Hawaii's time share units are  
7 now associated with international hotel and lodging companies  
8 who hold reputable and recognized brands.

9           The legislature also finds that the State's existing time  
10 share registration requirement for developers requires filing  
11 for renewal of registrations and filing when there are  
12 amendments to time share plans. However, review and approval of  
13 these registrations are often significantly delayed, which  
14 creates a burden on the time share industry and its ability to  
15 maintain and attract time share owners and consumers. Delays in  
16 the approval of amendments also prevent consumers from receiving  
17 the most current information about purchases of time shares.



1 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to:

2 (1) Provide that applications for registration renewal  
3 required by section 514E-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
4 shall be deemed approved upon delivery; and

5 (2) Provide that any amendment to a required time share  
6 plan registration shall be deemed approved by  
7 operation of law on the sixtieth day after the  
8 amendment is submitted to the director of commerce and  
9 consumer affairs, unless the director issues a  
10 deficiency letter within that period.

11 SECTION 2. Section 514E-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 **"§514E-10 Registration required; developer, acquisition**  
14 **agent, plan manager, and exchange agent; registration renewal;**  
15 **title report; title holding trusts.** (a) A developer shall not  
16 offer or dispose of a time share unit or a time share interest  
17 unless the disclosure statement required by section 514E-9 is  
18 filed with the director pursuant to the time specified in this  
19 chapter, or the development is exempt from filing, and the time  
20 share plan to be offered by the developer is accepted by the  
21 director for registration under this chapter. The director



1 shall not accept a developer's time share plan if the developer  
2 does not possess a history of honesty, truthfulness, financial  
3 integrity, and fair dealing.

4 (b) An acquisition agent (including the developer if it is  
5 also the acquisition agent) shall register under this chapter by  
6 filing with the director a statement setting forth the time  
7 sharing plan for which it is providing prospective purchasers,  
8 its address, the telephone number, other information required by  
9 the director as provided by rules adopted pursuant to  
10 chapter 91, and, if the acquisition agent is not a natural  
11 person, the name of the responsible managing employee; provided  
12 that an acquisition agent licensed under chapter 467 as a real  
13 estate broker shall not be required to register under this  
14 chapter. All acquisition agents not licensed under chapter 467  
15 shall be approved by the director. The director shall not  
16 approve any acquisition agent who is not of good character and  
17 who does not possess a reputation for honesty, truthfulness, and  
18 fair dealing. The acquisition agent shall furnish evidence that  
19 the acquisition agent is bonded as required by rules adopted by  
20 the director pursuant to chapter 91 to cover any violation by  
21 the acquisition agent of any solicitation ordinance or other



1 regulation governing the use of the premise or premises in which  
2 the time share plan is promoted; provided that the acquisition  
3 agent shall be separately bonded for each time share plan for  
4 which it is providing prospective purchases.

5 (c) A plan manager (including the developer if it is also  
6 the plan manager) shall register under this chapter by filing  
7 with the director a statement setting forth the time sharing  
8 plan that it is managing, its principal office address,  
9 telephone number, and responsible managing employee. The plan  
10 manager shall furnish evidence that the plan manager is bonded  
11 as required by rules adopted by the director pursuant to  
12 chapter 91 to cover any default of the plan manager and any of  
13 its employees of their duties and responsibilities; provided  
14 that the plan manager shall be separately bonded for each time  
15 share plan under the management of the plan manager.

16 (d) An exchange agent (including the developer if it is  
17 also an exchange agent) shall register under this chapter by  
18 filing with the director a statement setting forth the time  
19 sharing plan for which it is offering exchange services, its  
20 principal office address and telephone number, and designate its  
21 responsible managing employee.



1 (e) Any plan manager or developer registration required in  
2 this section shall be renewed by December 31 of each  
3 even-numbered year, and any acquisition agent or exchange agent  
4 registration required in this section shall be renewed on  
5 December 31 of each odd-numbered year; provided that this  
6 subsection shall not relieve the person required to register  
7 from the obligation to notify the director promptly of any  
8 material change in any information submitted to the director,  
9 nor shall it relieve the developer of its obligation to promptly  
10 file amendments or supplements to the disclosure statement, and  
11 to promptly supply the amendments or supplements to purchasers  
12 of time share interests. Applications for renewal required by  
13 this section shall be deemed approved upon delivery.

14 (f) An application for renewal of a developer registration  
15 shall be on a form prescribed by the director and shall include:

- 16 (1) A current disclosure statement that meets the  
17 requirements of section 514E-9 and section 16-106-3,  
18 Hawaii Administrative Rules, if not already on file;
- 19 (2) A statement that is certified by the developer to be  
20 true and correct in all respects and that identifies,  
21 as appropriate:



- 1 (A) The time share units in the time share plan  
2 registered pursuant to this chapter; the total  
3 number of time share interests registered for  
4 sale in each unit pursuant to this chapter; and  
5 the total number of time share interests that  
6 have not yet been sold as of the date specified  
7 in the developer's certification, which date  
8 shall not be more than sixty days prior to the  
9 date of the developer's certification; or
- 10 (B) The property in the time share plan registered  
11 pursuant to this chapter; the total number of  
12 points registered for sale in each property  
13 pursuant to this chapter; and the total number of  
14 points in the time share plan that have not yet  
15 been sold as of the date specified in the  
16 developer's certification, which date shall not  
17 be more than sixty days prior to the date of the  
18 developer's certification;
- 19 (3) If the developer is a corporation, partnership, joint  
20 venture, limited liability company, or limited  
21 liability partnership, an original certificate of good



1 standing issued by the business registration division  
2 of the department of commerce and consumer affairs not  
3 more than forty-five days before the date of  
4 submission of the renewal application; and

5 (4) The biennial renewal fee.

6 (g) Developers shall not be required to include the  
7 following in an application for renewal of a developer  
8 registration of a time share plan:

9 (1) A financial statement of the developer; or

10 (2) A policy of title insurance, a preliminary title  
11 report, abstract of title, or certificate of title on  
12 the units or time share interests in the time share  
13 plan.

14 (h) Any amendment to a time share plan registration  
15 required by this chapter, except for amendments that add  
16 inventory to or remove inventory from a time share plan, shall  
17 be approved by operation of law on the sixtieth day after the  
18 amendment is submitted to the director, unless the director  
19 issues a deficiency letter prior to the end of the review  
20 period.



1       A deficiency letter shall list all deficiencies and  
2 describe each deficiency in sufficient detail to enable the  
3 applicant to address the deficiency.

4       In the event that a deficiency letter is not issued within  
5 the sixty-day period, upon request by the applicant, the  
6 director shall furnish to the applicant, within ten business  
7 days after receipt of the applicant's request, a letter  
8 confirming that the amendment has been approved either by action  
9 of the director or by operation of law.

10       ~~(h)~~ (i) A developer's application for registration or  
11 annexation shall include:

12       (1) A list of the projects containing the time share units  
13           that are included in the application and that are  
14           located outside the State; and

15       (2) A statement by the developer that it has verified that  
16           the use of each of those out-of-state time share units  
17           for time sharing purposes in the manner contemplated  
18           by the developer's time share plan is either in  
19           compliance with or not prohibited by the zoning and  
20           land use laws and regulations of the jurisdiction  
21           where the time share units are located.



1 The developer shall not be required, as part of the developer  
2 registration, to submit any other evidence that the use of  
3 out-of-state time share units for time sharing purposes in the  
4 developer's time share plan is either in compliance with or not  
5 prohibited by the zoning and land use laws and regulations of  
6 the jurisdiction where the time share units are located.

7 ~~[(i)]~~ (j) To the extent that a time share plan utilizes a  
8 title holding trust to protect the rights of purchasers to use  
9 the time share property from blanket liens that may arise  
10 subsequent to the closing of the sale of a time share interest:

11 (1) The developer shall submit a title report:

12 (A) Showing that title to the time share units or  
13 time share interest to be protected by a title  
14 holding trust has been conveyed to the trustee;  
15 and

16 (B) Showing the recordation of any documents required  
17 to be recorded for the purpose of protecting the  
18 rights of purchasers to use the time share  
19 property from blanket liens that will remain on  
20 title subsequent to the closing; and



1           (2) The developer shall not thereafter be required to  
2           submit additional title reports on property covered by  
3           a title report that meets the requirements of  
4           paragraph (1) unless otherwise required in another  
5           section of this chapter.

6           ~~[(j)]~~ (k) To the extent that a time share plan utilizes a  
7           notice of time share plan to protect the rights of purchasers to  
8           use the time share property from blanket liens that may arise  
9           subsequent to the closing of the sale of a time share interest:

10          (1) The developer shall submit a title report:

11           (A) Showing that a notice of time share plan has been  
12           recorded on title to the time share units or time  
13           share interests to be so protected; and

14           (B) Showing the recordation of any documents required  
15           to be recorded for the purpose of protecting the  
16           rights of purchasers to use the time share  
17           property from blanket liens that will remain on  
18           title subsequent to the closing; and

19          (2) The developer shall not thereafter be required to  
20          submit additional title reports on property covered by  
21          a title report that meets the requirements of



1 paragraph (1) unless otherwise required in another  
2 section of this chapter.

3 ~~[(\*)]~~ (1) To the extent that a time share plan utilizes  
4 alternative arrangements to protect the rights of purchasers to  
5 use the time share property from blanket liens:

6 (1) The developer shall submit a title report showing the  
7 recordation of all documents that, as part of the  
8 alternative arrangements accepted by the director, are  
9 required to be recorded for the purpose of protecting  
10 the rights of purchasers to use the time share  
11 property from blanket liens; and

12 (2) The developer shall not thereafter be required to  
13 submit additional title reports on property covered by  
14 a title report that meets the requirements of  
15 paragraph (1) unless otherwise required in another  
16 section of this chapter."

17 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
18 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
19 begun before its effective date.

20 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

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Commerce and Consumer Affairs

**Description:**

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sixtieth day after the amendment is submitted to the Director of  
Commerce and Consumer Affairs, unless the Director issues a  
deficiency letter within that period. Effective 1/1/2050.  
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