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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to mobile home park lot tenancies;
3	repealing s. 723.013, F.S., relating to written
4	notification in the absence of a prospectus.; amending
5	s. 723.059, F.S.; clarifying that a purchaser of a
6	mobile home may assume the seller's prospectus;
7	providing the purchaser must elect to assume the
8	seller's prospectus; authorizing a mobile home park
9	owner to increase the lot rental of the purchaser of a
10	mobile home on a leased lot in the mobile home park
11	subject to conditions; requiring certain documents to
12	be provided to a purchaser as disclosure prior to the
13	execution of the rental agreement or prior to the
14	purchaser's occupancy; providing an election form to
15	be completed by the mobile home park owner and the
16	purchaser prior to the execution of the rental
17	agreement or prior to the purchaser's occupancy;
18	requiring the mobile home park owner to maintain a
19	copy of the election form and provide a copy to the
20	purchaser; providing an effective date.
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22	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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24	Section 1. Section 723.013, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
25	Section 2. Section 723.059, Florida Statutes, is amended
26	to read:
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723.059 Rights of purchaser.-

(1) The purchaser of a mobile home within a mobile home park may become a tenant of the park if such purchaser would otherwise qualify with the requirements of entry into the park under the park rules and regulations, subject to the approval of the park owner, but such approval may not be unreasonably withheld.

34 (2) Properly <u>adopted promulgated</u> rules may provide for the
35 screening of <u>a</u> any prospective purchaser to determine whether
36 <u>the or not such</u> purchaser is qualified to become a tenant of the
37 park.

38 (3)The purchaser of a mobile home who becomes a resident 39 of the mobile home park in accordance with this section has the 40 right to assume the remainder of the term of a any rental 41 agreement then in effect between the mobile home park owner and 42 the seller and may assume shall be entitled to rely on the terms 43 and conditions of the prospectus of the seller and the terms 44 therein, if not prohibited by the terms of the prospectus or 45 offering circular as delivered to the initial recipient. The 46 purchaser must elect to assume the seller's prospectus or must 47 agree to accept a new prospectus from the mobile home park 48 owner.

(4) <u>This section does not</u> However, nothing herein shall be
construed to prohibit a mobile home park owner from increasing
the rental amount to be paid by the purchaser upon the
expiration of the assumed rental agreement in an amount deemed
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53	appropriate by the mobile home park owner, so long as such		
54	increase is disclosed to the purchaser prior to <u>the execution of</u>		
55	the rental agreement or prior to his or her occupancy, whichever		
56	occurs first, and is imposed in a manner consistent with the		
57	annual rent increase as provided in the seller's initial		
58	offering circular or prospectus and this act. Following the		
59	assumed rental agreement and the initial increase, if any, set		
60	pursuant to the seller's prospectus, any subsequent increases in		
61	the new lease and any additional fees to be paid shall be		
62	subject to the terms of the purchaser's prospectus after the		
63	purchaser elects to either assume the seller's prospectus or		
64	agrees to accept a new prospectus from the mobile home park		
65	owner.		
66	(5) At the time the purchaser signs the purchase		
67	agreement, the seller shall notify the mobile home park owner of		
68	his or her intent to sell the mobile home.		
69	(6) Prior to the execution of the rental agreement or		
70	prior to the purchaser's occupancy, whichever occurs first, the		
71	mobile home park owner or its agent shall:		
72	a. Inform the purchaser of his or her right to assume the		
73	prospectus prior to the execution of the rental agreement or		
74	prior to the purchaser's occupancy, whichever occurs first.		
75	b. Provide a copy of the seller's prospectus.		
76	c. Provide a written document explaining that, following		
77	the assumed rental agreement and the initial increase, if any,		
78	set pursuant to the seller's prospectus, any subsequent		
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79	increases in the rent and any additional fees to be paid shall	<u>.</u>
80	be subject to the terms of the purchaser's prospectus after th	le
81	purchaser elects to either assume the seller's prospectus or	
82	agrees to accept a new prospectus from the mobile home park	
83	owner.	
84	d. Provide a copy of the provisions of this section.	
85	e. If the purchaser elects to not assume the seller's	
86	prospectus, provide a copy of a new, division approved	
87	prospectus with an explanation of the provisions of the new	
88	prospectus.	
89	f. Provide a one page summary of the prospectus the	
90	purchaser elects to accept, including, at a minimum, the	
91	following:	
92	1. Address of the lot being rented.	
93	2. Name of mobile home park owner and manager with contac	:t
94	information.	
95	3. A brief description of the rent and additional fees an	ıd
96	charges.	
97	4. A description of the manner in which all future annua	1
98	rent increases will be determined.	
99	5. The term of the rental agreements to be signed for the	<u>;</u>
100	lot rental.	
101	(7) Prior to the execution of the rental agreement or	
102	prior to the purchaser's occupancy, whichever occurs first, th	le
103	purchaser and the mobile home park owner or its agent must sig	n
104	an election form indicating whether the purchaser elects to	
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PCS for HB 29 ORIGINAL 2014 105 assume the seller's prospectus or agrees to accept a new prospectus. The election form shall be on a sheet of paper that 106 107 is 8 ½ inches by 11 inches, shall address no other subject, 108 shall be double spaced, and shall include substantially the 109 following information in a font size of at least 14 points: 110 111 PROSPECTUS ELECTION FORM THE PURCHASER ... (PURCHASER'S NAME) ... OF A MOBILE HOME WHO 112 BECOMES A RESIDENT OF THE MOBILE HOME PARK IN ACCORDANCE WITH S. 113 114 723.059, FLORIDA STATUTES, HAS THE RIGHT TO ASSUME THE REMAINDER 115 OF THE TERM OF ANY RENTAL AGREMENT IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF SALE AND MAY ASSUME THE PROSPECTUS OF THE SELLER ... (SELLER'S 116 117 NAME) ... AND THE TERMS THEREIN. THE MOBILE HOME PARK OWNER, 118 ... (MOBILE HOME PARK OWNER'S NAME)... HAS NOTIFIED THE PURCHASER 119 OF HIS OR HER RIGHT TO ASSUME THE SELLER'S ... PROSPECTUS PRIOR TO 120 THE SIGNING OF THE PURCHASE AGREMENT BY THE PURCHSER. WITH 121 REGARD TO THE PROSPECTUS, THE PURCHASER MAKES THE FOLLOWING 122 DISCLOSURES: 123 1. The Mobile Home Park Owner has notified the purchaser 124 of his or her right to assume the seller's prospectus: 125 Yes 🗆 No 🗆 126 ... (Purchaser's Initials) ... 127 ... (Mobile Home Park Owner's Initials)... 128 2. Purchaser has elected to assume the seller's prospectus: 129 Yes 🗆 No 🗆 130 ... (Purchaser's Initials) ... Page 5 of 7

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PCS for HB 29 ORIGINAL 2014 131 ... (Mobile Home Park Owner's Initials)... 132 2a. Mobile Home Park Owner has provided purchaser a copy of 133 prospectus prior to the execution of the rental agreement or 134 prior to the Purchaser's occupancy, whichever occurs first, as 135 required by s. 723.059(6), F.S.: Yes \Box No \Box 136 ... (Purchaser's Initials)... 137 ... (Mobile Home Park Owner's Initials)... 138 3. Purchaser has elected to accept a new prospectus from 139 the Mobile Home Park Owner: Yes 🗌 No 🗌 140 ... (Purchaser's Initials) ... 141 ... (Mobile Home Park Owner's Initials)... 142 3a. If the Purchaser has elected to accept a new prospectus from the Mobile Home Park Owner, the Mobile Home Park 143 144 Owner has provided the copy of the new prospectus to the 145 Purchaser prior to the execution of the rental agreement or 146 prior to the Purchaser's occupancy, whichever occurs first. Yes 147 \square No \square ... (Purchaser's Initials)... 148 149 ... (Mobile Home Park Owner's Initials)... 150 THE MOBILE HOME PARK OWNER SHALL MAINTAIN A SIGNED COPY OF THIS 151 FORM AND SHALL PROVIDE A COPY TO THE PURCHASER UPON EXECUTION. 152 THIS FORM IS SUBJECT TO INSPECTION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS 153 AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION. 154 ... (Purchaser's Printed Name) ... 155 ... (Purchaser's Signature)... 156 ... (Mobile Home Park Owner's Printed Name)... Page 6 of 7

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157 ... (Mobile Home Park Owner's Signature)...

158 ... (Date)...

159 (8) The mobile home park owner or its agent is required to 160 maintain a signed copy of the election form on file for the life 161 of the prospectus, which is subject to verification by the 162 Department of Business and Professional Regulation. The mobile 163 home park owner shall also provide a copy of the election form 164 to the purchaser.

165 (9) (5) Lifetime leases, both those existing and those entered into after July 1, 1986, are shall be nonassumable 166 167 unless otherwise provided in the lot rental agreement or unless 168 the transferee is the homeowner's home owner's spouse. The renewal provisions in automatically renewable leases, both those 169 170 existing and those entered into after July 1, 1986, are not 171 assumable unless otherwise provided in the lease agreement. 172 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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