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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Revises provisions governing condominiums and planned communities.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to properties governed by declarations; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 94.572,

94.595, 94.616, 94.647, 94.650, 94.655, 94.658, 94.660, 94.675, 94.680, 94.685, 94.719, 100.175, 100.210, 3

100.407, 100.408, 100.410, 100.415, 100.425, 100.427, 100.435, 100.470, 100.525, 100.640 and 100.655.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon: $\mathbf{5}$

SECTION 1. Sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of this 2007 Act are added to and made a part of 6 7 ORS 94.550 to 94.783.

SECTION 2. (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, if a homeowners association fails 8 to fill vacancies on the board of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum in accordance 9 with the bylaws, an owner or a first mortgagee may request the circuit court of the county 10 in which the planned community is located to appoint a receiver under ORCP 80 to manage 11 12 the affairs of the association.

(2) At least 45 days before an owner or first mortgagee requests the circuit court to ap-13point a receiver under subsection (1) of this section, the owner or first mortgagee shall mail, 14 by certified or registered mail, a notice to the association and shall post a copy of the notice 15 16 at a conspicuous place or places on the property or provide notice by a method otherwise 17reasonably calculated to inform owners of the proposed action.

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(3) The notice shall be signed by the owner or first mortgagee and include:

19 (a) A description of the intended action.

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         (b) A statement that the intended action is pursuant to this section.
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21(c) The date, not less than 30 days after mailing of the notice, by which the association must fill vacancies on the board sufficient to constitute a quorum. 22

23(d) A statement that if the association fails to fill vacancies on the board by the specified date, the owner or first mortgagee may file a petition with the court under subsection (1) 2425 of this section.

26 (e) A statement that if a receiver is appointed, all expenses of the receivership will be common expenses of the association as provided in subsection (4) of this section. 27

(4) If a receiver is appointed, the salary of the receiver, court costs, attorney fees and 28 all other expenses of the receivership shall be common expenses of the association. 29

30 (5) A receiver appointed under this section has all of the powers and duties of a duly constituted board of directors and shall serve until a sufficient number of vacancies on the 31

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board are filled to constitute a quorum. 1 2 (6) If at a turnover meeting held in accordance with ORS 94.616 the owners fail to elect the number of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum of the board of directors, in addi-3 tion to the notice requirements specified in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, an owner 4 shall give the notice to all other owners as provided in the bylaws. 5 (7) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) of this section, in the case of an emergency, 6 the court may waive the notice requirements of subsections (2) and (3) of this section. 7 SECTION 3. (1) If the declaration or bylaws of a planned community created under ORS 8 9 94.550 to 94.783 before the effective date of this 2007 Act or a planned community subject to ORS 94.572 do not assign the responsibility for payment of the amount of the deductible in 10 an association insurance policy, the board of directors of the homeowners association may 11 12 adopt a resolution that assigns the responsibility for payment of the amount of the deduct-13 ible. The resolution must include, but need not be limited to: (a) The circumstances under which the deductible will be charged against: 14 (A) An owner or the owners affected by a loss; or 15 (B) All owners; 16 (b) The allocation of the deductible charged under paragraph (a) of this subsection; and 17 18 (c) If an owner and the association have duplicate insurance coverage, the insurance policy that is primary, unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws. 19 (2) If the board of directors adopts a resolution as described in subsection (1) of this 20section, the resolution may require that an owner, in addition to any other insurance re-2122quired by the declaration or bylaws, obtain and maintain: 23(a) An insurance policy that insures the owner's lot for not less than the amount of the deductible in the association's insurance policy for which the owner may be responsible and 24 that insures the owner's personal property for any loss or damage; and 25(b) Comprehensive liability insurance that includes, but is not limited to, coverage for 2627negligent acts of owners and tenants, guests of owners and tenants and occupants of other lots for damage to the common property, to other lots and to the personal property of other 28persons that is located on other lots or the common property. 2930 (3) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, the board of directors de-31 scribed in subsection (1) of this section may adopt a resolution that: (a) Prescribes a procedure for processing insurance claims. The procedure may require 32that all claims against the association's insurance policy be processed through and coordi-33 34 nated by the board of directors or the managing agent, if authorized by the board. 35 (b) Assigns the responsibility for payment of charges for handling claims, including any 36 charges by a managing agent. 37 (4) The board of directors shall ensure that a copy of a resolution adopted under sub-38 section (1) or (3) of this section and a notice described in subsection (5) of this section are: (a) Delivered to each lot; or 39 (b) Mailed, not later than 10 days after adoption of the resolution, to the mailing address 40 of each owner or to the mailing address designated in writing by the owner. 41

42 (5) The notice required under subsection (4) of this section shall:

(a) Advise each owner to contact an insurance agent to determine the effect of the resolution on the owner's individual insurance coverage; and

45 (b) Be in a form and style reasonably calculated to inform the owner of the importance

1 of the notice.

2 (6) Failure to provide a copy of a resolution or a notice required under this section does 3 not affect the responsibility of an owner to comply with a resolution adopted under this 4 section.

5 <u>SECTION 4.</u> (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section and notwithstanding any requirement under the declaration or bylaws or ORS 94.550 to 94.783, in the discretion of the board of directors of the homeowners association, any notice, information or other written material required to be given to an owner or director under the declaration or bylaws or ORS 9 94.550 to 94.783, may be given by electronic mail, facsimile or other form of electronic communication.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, electronic mail, facsimile or other form
 of electronic communication may not be used to give notice of:

13 (a) Failure to pay an assessment;

14 (b) Foreclosure of an association lien under ORS 94.709; or

15 (c) An action the association may take against an owner.

(3) An owner or director may decline to receive notice by electronic mail, facsimile or
 other form of electronic communication and may direct the board of directors to provide
 notice in the manner required under the declaration or bylaws or ORS 94.550 to 94.783.

19 <u>SECTION 5.</u> (1) As used in this section, "electronic ballot" means a ballot given by:

20 (a) Electronic mail;

21 (b) Facsimile transmission;

22 (c) Posting on a website; or

23 (d) Other means of electronic communication acceptable to the board of directors.

(2) Unless the declaration or bylaws prohibit or provide for other methods of electronic
ballots, the board of directors of a homeowners association, in its discretion, may provide
that a vote, approval or consent of an owner may be given by electronic ballot.

(3) An electronic ballot shall comply with the requirements of this section and the declaration or bylaws or ORS 94.550 to 94.783.

(4) An electronic ballot may be accompanied by or contained in an electronic notice in
 accordance with section 4 of this 2007 Act.

(5) If an electronic ballot is posted on a website, a notice of the posting shall be sent to
each owner and shall contain instructions on obtaining access to the posting on the website.
(6) A vote made by electronic ballot is effective when it is electronically transmitted to

34 an address, location or system designated by the board of directors for that purpose.

(7) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws or rules adopted by the board
 of directors, a vote by electronic ballot may not be revoked.

(8) The board of directors may not elect to use electronic ballots unless there are pro cedures to ensure:

(a) Compliance with ORS 94.647 if the vote conducted by written ballot under ORS 94.647
 uses the procedures specified in ORS 94.647 (2)(b); and

(b) That the electronic ballot is secret, if the declaration or bylaws or rules adopted by
the board require that electronic ballots be secret.

43 <u>SECTION 6.</u> (1) A director of a homeowners association who is present at a meeting of 44 the board of directors at which action is taken on any association matter is presumed to 45 have assented to the action unless the director votes against the action or abstains from

voting on the action because the director claims a conflict of interest. 1

2 (2) When action is taken on any matter at a meeting of the board of directors, the vote or abstention of each director present must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. 3

(3) Directors may not vote by proxy or by secret ballot at meetings of the board of di-4 rectors. $\mathbf{5}$

(4) Notwithstanding subsection (3) of this section, officers may be elected by secret bal-6 lot. 7

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SECTION 7. ORS 94.595 is amended to read:

9 94.595. (1) The declarant, on behalf of a homeowners association, shall:

(a) Conduct a reserve study as described in subsection (3) of this section; [and] 10

(b) Prepare a maintenance plan as described in subsection (4) of this section; and 11

12 (c) Establish a reserve account as provided in subsection (2) of this section.

13 (b) (2)(a) [Establish] A reserve account shall be established for major maintenance, repair or replacement of all items of common property which will normally require major maintenance, 14 15 repair or replacement, in whole or in part, in more than [three] one and less than 30 years, for exterior painting if the common property includes exterior painted surfaces, for other items, whether 16 or not involving common property, if the association has responsibility to maintain the items and for 17 other items required by the declaration or bylaws. The reserve account need not include reserves 18 for those items: 19

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(A) That [could] can reasonably be funded from [operating assessments] the general budget or other funds or accounts of the association; or 21

22(B) For which one or more, but less than all, owners are responsible for maintenance and replacement under the provisions of the declaration or bylaws. 23

[(2)(a) A reserve account established under this section must be funded by assessments against the 24 individual lots for which the reserves are established.] 25

[(b) Unless the declaration provides otherwise, the assessments under this subsection begin accru-2627ing for all lots from the date the first lot is conveyed.]

[(3)(a)] (b) The reserve account shall be established in the name of the homeowners association. 28The association is responsible for administering the account and for making periodic payments into 2930 the account.

31 [(b)] (c) The reserve portion of the initial assessment determined by the declarant shall be based 32on:

(A) The reserve study described in [paragraph (c) of this subsection] subsection (3) of this 33 34 section; or

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(B) Other [sources of] reliable information.

(d) A reserve account established under this section must be funded by assessments 36 37 against the individual lots for which the reserves are established.

(e) Unless the declaration provides otherwise, the assessments under this subsection be-38 gin accruing for all lots from the date the first lot is conveyed. 39

[(c)] (3)(a) The board of directors of the association annually shall conduct a reserve study or 40 review and update an existing study to determine the reserve account requirements and may: 41

(A) Adjust the amount of payments as indicated by the study or update; and 42

(B) Provide for other reserve items that the board of directors, in its discretion, may deem ap-43 propriate. 44

[(d)] (b) The reserve study shall [include]: 45

(A) [Identification of] Identify all items for which reserves are [required to] or will be estab-1 $\mathbf{2}$ lished; 3 (B) **Include** the estimated remaining useful life of each item as of the date of the reserve study; and 4 $\mathbf{5}$ (C) [The] Include for each item, as applicable, an estimated cost of maintenance[,] and repair [or] and replacement [of each item] at the end of [its] the item's useful life[; and]. 6 [(D)] (4)(a) [A 30-year] The board of directors shall prepare a maintenance plan for the 7 maintenance, repair and replacement of [common property with regular and adequate contributions, 8 9 adjusted by estimated inflation and interest earned on reserves, to meet the maintenance, repair and replacement schedule.] all property for which the association has maintenance, repair or re-10 placement responsibility under the declaration or bylaws or ORS 94.550 to 94.783, including, 11 12 but not limited to, the items for which the reserve account is established under subsection (2) of this section. The maintenance plan shall: 13 (A) Describe the maintenance, repair and replacement to be conducted; 14 15 (B) Include a schedule for the maintenance, repair and replacement; [(4) The 30-year plan under subsection (3) of this section shall:] 16 [(a)] (C) Be appropriate for the size and complexity of the [common property] maintenance, 17 repair and replacement responsibility of the association; and 18 19 [(b)] (D) Address issues that include but are not limited to warranties and the useful life of the [common property] items for which the association has maintenance, repair and replacement 20responsibility. 2122(b) The board of directors shall review and update the maintenance plan described under 23this subsection as necessary. [(5) The board of directors and the declarant shall, within 30 days after conducting the reserve 24study, provide to every owner a written summary of the reserve study and of any revisions to the 2530-year plan adopted by the board of directors or the declarant as a result of the reserve study.] 2627[(6)(a)] (5)(a) If the declaration or bylaws require a reserve account, the reserve study requirements of subsection (3) of this section and the maintenance plan requirements of subsection (4) 28of this section first apply to the association of a subdivision that meets the definition of a planned 2930 community under ORS 94.550 and is recorded prior to October 23, 1999, when: 31 (A) The board of directors adopts a resolution in compliance with the bylaws that applies the requirements of [subsection (3)] subsections (3) and (4) of this section to the association; or 32(B) A petition signed by a majority of owners is submitted to the board of directors mandating 33 34 that the requirements of [subsection (3)] subsections (3) and (4) of this section apply to the association. 35 (b) A reserve study and maintenance plan shall be completed within one year of adoption of 36 37 the resolution or submission of the petition to the board of directors. 38 [(7)(a)] (6)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the reserve account may be used only for the purposes for which reserves have been established and is to be kept separate 39 from other funds. 40 (b) After the individual lot owners have assumed responsibility for administration of the planned 41 community under ORS 94.616, if the board of directors has adopted a resolution, which may be an 42annual continuing resolution, authorizing the borrowing of funds: 43 (A) The board of directors may borrow funds from the reserve account to meet high seasonal 44 demands on the regular operating funds or to meet unexpected increases in expenses. 45

(B) Not later than the adoption of the budget for the following year, the board of directors shall 1 2 adopt by resolution a written payment plan providing for repayment of the borrowed funds within a reasonable period. 3 [(8)] (7) Nothing in this section prohibits prudent investment of reserve account funds subject 4 to any constraints imposed by the declaration, bylaws or rules of the association. $\mathbf{5}$ [(9)] (8) In addition to the authority of the board of directors under subsection [(3)(c)] (3)(a) of 6 this section, following the second year after the association has assumed administrative responsi-7 bility for the planned community under ORS 94.616: 8 9 (a) By an affirmative vote of at least 75 percent of the owners of the planned community, the 10 association may elect to reduce or increase future assessments for the reserve account; and (b) The association may, on an annual basis by a unanimous vote, elect not to fund the reserve 11 12account. 13 [(10)] (9) Assessments paid into the reserve account are the property of the association and are not refundable to sellers or owners of lots. 14 15 SECTION 8. ORS 94.616 is amended to read: 1694.616. (1) At the meeting called under ORS 94.609, the declarant shall turn over to the homeowners association the responsibility for the administration of the planned community, and the as-17 18 sociation shall accept the administrative responsibility from the declarant. (2) If a quorum of the owners is present, the owners shall elect not fewer than the number 19 20of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum of the [a] board of directors in accordance with the declaration or bylaws of the association. 2122(3) At the meeting[,] called under ORS 94.609, the declarant shall deliver to the association: 23(a) The original or a photocopy of the recorded declaration and copies of the bylaws and the articles of incorporation, if any, of the planned community and any supplements and amendments to 24the articles or bylaws; 25(b) A deed to the common property in the planned community, unless otherwise provided in the 2627declaration; (c) The minute books, including all minutes, and other books and records of the association and 28the board of directors; 2930 (d) All rules and regulations adopted by the declarant; 31 (e) Resignations of officers and members of the board of directors who are required to resign because of the expiration of any period of declarant control reserved pursuant to ORS 94.600; 32(f) A financial statement. The financial statement: 33 34 (A) Must consist of a balance sheet and an income and expense statement for the preceding 12-month period or the period following the recording of the declaration, whichever period is 35 shorter; and 36 37 (B) Must be reviewed, in accordance with the Statements on Standards for Accounting and Re-38 view Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, by an independent certified public accountant licensed in the State of Oregon if the annual assessments of an associ-39 ation exceed \$75,000; 40 (g) All funds of the association and control of the funds, including all bank records; 41 (h) All tangible personal property that is property of the association, and an inventory of the 42 43 property; (i) Records of all property tax payments for the common property to be administered by the as-44 sociation; 45

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(j) Copies of any income tax returns filed by the declarant in the name of the association, and 1 2 supporting records for the returns; 3 (k) All bank signature cards; (L) The reserve account established in the name of the association under ORS 94.595; 4 (m) The reserve study described in ORS 94.595, including all updates and other sources of in-5 formation that serve as a basis for calculating reserves in accordance with ORS 94.595; 6 (n) An operating budget for the portion of the planned community turned over to association 7 administration and a budget for replacement and maintenance of the common property; 8 9 (o) A copy of the following, if available: 10 (A) The as-built architectural, structural, engineering, mechanical, electrical and plumbing plans; (B) The original specifications, indicating all subsequent material changes; 11 12 (C) The plans for underground site service, site grading, drainage and landscaping together with 13 cable television drawings; (D) Any other plans and information relevant to future repair or maintenance of the property; 14 15and 16(E) A list of the general contractor and the electrical, heating and plumbing subcontractors re-17 sponsible for construction or installation of common property; 18 (p) Insurance policies; (q) Copies of any occupancy permits issued for the planned community; 19 (r) Any other permits issued by governmental bodies applicable to the planned community in 20force or issued within one year before the date on which the owners assume administrative respon-2122sibility; 23(s) A list of any written warranties on the common property that are in effect and the names of the contractor, subcontractor or supplier who made the installation for which the warranty is in 2425effect: (t) A roster of owners and their addresses and telephone numbers, if known, as shown on the 2627records of the declarant; (u) Leases of the common property and any other leases to which the association is a party; 28(v) Employment or service contracts in which the association is one of the contracting parties 2930 or service contracts in which the association or the owners have an obligation or responsibility, 31 directly or indirectly, to pay some or all of the fee or charge of the person performing the service; 32and (w) Any other contracts to which the homeowners association is a party. 33 34 (4) In order to facilitate an orderly transition, during the three-month period following the 35 turnover meeting, the declarant or an informed representative shall be available to meet with the board of directors on at least three mutually acceptable dates to review the documents delivered 36 37 under subsection (3) of this section. 38 (5) If the declarant has complied with this section and unless the declarant has sufficient voting rights as a lot owner to control the association, the declarant is not responsible for the failure of 39 the owners to [comply] elect the number of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum of the 40 board of directors and assume control of the association in accordance with subsection (1) of 41 this section. [and] The declarant is relieved from further responsibility for the administration of the 42 association, except as a lot owner. 43 (6) If the owners present do not constitute a quorum or the owners fail to elect the 44 number of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum of the board of directors at the turn-45

over meeting held in accordance with this section: 1 2 (a) At any time before the election of the number of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum, an owner or first mortgagee may call a special meeting for the purpose of election 3 of directors and shall give notice of the meeting in accordance with the notice requirements 4 in the bylaws for special meetings. The owners and first mortgagees present at the special 5 meeting shall select a person to preside over the meeting. 6 (b) An owner or first mortgagee may request a court to appoint a receiver as provided 7 in section 2 of this 2007 Act. 8 9 SECTION 9. ORS 94.647 is amended to read: 94.647. (1) Unless prohibited or limited by the declaration or bylaws, any action that may be 10 taken at any annual, regular or special meeting of the homeowners association may be taken with-11 12 out a meeting if the association delivers a written ballot to every association member that is entitled 13 to vote on the matter. Action by written ballot may not substitute for the following meetings: (a) A turnover meeting required under ORS 94.616. 14 15 (b) An annual meeting of an association if more than a majority of the lots are the principal residences of the occupants. 16 17(c) A meeting of the association if the agenda includes a proposal to remove a director from the board of directors. 18 (d) A special meeting of the association called at the request of owners under ORS 94.650 19 (2). 20(2)(a) A written ballot shall set forth each proposed action and provide an opportunity to vote 2122for or against each proposed action. 23(b) The board of directors must provide owners with at least 10 days' notice before written ballots are mailed or otherwise delivered. If, at least three days before written ballots are scheduled 24to be mailed or otherwise distributed, at least 10 percent of the owners petition the board of direc-25tors requesting secrecy procedures, subject to paragraph (d) of this subsection, a written ballot 2627must be accompanied by: (A) A secrecy envelope; 28(B) A return identification envelope to be signed by the owner; and 2930 (C) Instructions for marking and returning the ballot. 31 (c) The notice required under paragraph (b) of this subsection shall state: 32(A) The general subject matter of the vote by written ballot; (B) The right of owners to request secrecy procedures specified in paragraph (b) of this sub-33 34 section; 35 (C) The date after which ballots may be distributed; (D) The date and time by which any petition requesting secrecy procedures must be received 36 37 by the board [requesting secrecy procedures]; and 38 (E) The address where any petition must be delivered. [(d) Notwithstanding the applicable provisions of subsection (3) or (4) of this section, written ballots 39 that are returned in secrecy envelopes may not be examined or counted before the deadline for returning 40 ballots has passed.] 41 (d) The requirements of paragraph (b)(A) and (B) of this subsection do not apply to a 42 written ballot of an owner if the consent or approval of that owner is required by the dec-43 laration or bylaws or ORS 94.550 to 94.783. 44

45 (3) Matters that may be voted on by written ballot shall be deemed approved or rejected as

1 follows:

2 (a) If approval of a proposed action otherwise would require a meeting at which a certain quo-3 rum must be present and at which a certain percentage of total votes cast is required to authorize 4 the action, the proposal shall be deemed to be approved when the date for the return of ballots has 5 passed, a quorum of owners has voted and the required percentage of approving votes has been re-6 ceived. Otherwise, the proposal shall be deemed to be rejected; or

(b) If approval of a proposed action otherwise would require a meeting at which a specified 7 percentage of owners must authorize the action, the proposal shall be deemed to be approved when 8 9 the percentage of total votes cast in favor of the proposal equals or exceeds [such] the required percentage. The proposal shall be deemed to be rejected when the number of votes cast in opposition 10 renders approval impossible or when both the date for return of ballots has passed and [such] the 11 12 required percentage has not been met. [Unless otherwise prohibited by the declaration or bylaws, the 13 votes may be counted from time to time before the final return date to determine whether the proposal has passed or failed by the votes already cast on the date they are counted.] 14

15 (4) All solicitations for votes by written ballot shall state the following:

(a) If approval of a proposal by written ballot requires that the total number of votes cast equal
 or exceed a certain quorum requirement, the number of responses needed to meet [such] the quorum
 requirement; [and]

(b) If approval of a proposal by written ballot requires that a certain percentage of total votes
 cast approve the proposal, the required percentage of total votes needed for approval[.]; and

(c) The period during which the association will accept written ballots for counting in
 accordance with subsection (5) of the section.

(5)(a) [All solicitations for votes by written ballot shall specify the period during which] The association shall accept written ballots for counting[, which] during the period specified in the solicitation under subsection (4) of this section. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this
subsection, the period shall end on the earliest of the following dates:

[(a)] (A) If approval of a proposed action by written ballot requires that a certain percentage of the owners approve the proposal, the date on which the association has received a sufficient number of approving ballots;

30 [(b)] (B) If approval of a proposed action by written ballot requires that a certain percentage 31 of the owners approve the proposal, the date on which the association has received a sufficient 32 number of disapproving ballots to render approval impossible; or

33 [(c)] (C) In all cases, [the] **a specified** date certain on which all ballots must be returned to be 34 counted.

(b) If the vote is by secrecy procedure under subsection (2)(b) of this section, the period
 shall end on the date specified in the solicitation or any extension under paragraph (c) of this
 subsection.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, in the discretion of the
board of directors, if a date certain is specified in the solicitation under subsection (4) of this
section, the period may be extended by written notice of the extension given to all owners
before the end of the specified date certain.

42 (6) Except as otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, unless the vote is by secrecy
43 procedure under subsection (2)(b) of this section, a written ballot may [not] be revoked before
44 the final return date of the ballots.

45 (7) Unless otherwise prohibited by the declaration or bylaws, the votes may be counted

1 from time to time before the final return date of the ballots to determine whether the pro-

2 posal has passed or failed by the votes already cast on the date the ballots are counted.

3 (8) Notwithstanding subsection (7) of this section, written ballots that are returned in 4 secrecy envelopes may not be examined or counted before the date certain specified in the 5 solicitation or any extension under subsection (5)(c) of this section.

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SECTION 10. ORS 94.650 is amended to read:

94.650. (1) The homeowners association shall hold at least one meeting of the owners each cal-endar year.

9 (2)(a) Special meetings of the association may be called by the president of the board of direc-10 tors, by a majority of the board of directors or by the president or secretary upon receipt of a 11 written request of a percentage of owners specified in the bylaws of the association. However, the 12 bylaws may not require a percentage greater than 50 percent or less than 10 percent of the votes 13 of the planned community for the purpose of calling a meeting.

(b) If the bylaws do not specify a percentage of owners that may [call] request the calling of a special meeting, a special meeting shall be called if 30 percent or more of the owners [may call a special meeting,] make the request in writing. Notice of [which] the special meeting shall be given as specified in this section.

(c) Business transacted at a special meeting shall be confined to the purposes stated in the no-tice.

(3) If the owners request a special meeting under subsection (2) of this section and the notice is not given within 30 days after the date the written request is delivered to the president or the secretary, an owner who signed the request may set the time and place of the meeting and give notice as provided in subsection (4) of this section.

[(3)] (4) Not less than 10 or more than 50 days before any meeting called under this section, the secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws shall cause **the** notice to be hand delivered or mailed to the mailing address of each [*lot*] **owner** or to the mailing address designated in writing by the owner, and to all mortgagees that have requested [*such*] **the** notice. [*Mortgagees may designate a representative to attend a meeting called under this section.*]

[(4)] (5) The notice of a meeting shall state the time and place of the meeting and the items on the agenda, including the general nature of any proposed amendment to the declaration or bylaws, any budget changes or any proposal to remove a director or officer.

(6) Mortgagees may designate a representative to attend a meeting called under this
 section.

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SECTION 11. ORS 94.655 is amended to read:

94.655. (1) Unless the **declaration or** bylaws of a homeowners association provide otherwise, a quorum for any meeting of the association [*shall consist*] **consists** of the number of persons who are entitled to cast 20 percent of the votes and who are present in person, [*or*] by proxy **or by absentee ballot, if absentee ballots are permitted by the board of directors,** at the beginning of the meeting.

(2) If any meeting of the association cannot be organized because of a lack of a quorum,
the owners who are present, either in person or by proxy, may adjourn the meeting. The
quorum for a subsequent meeting is the greater of:

43 (a) One-half of the quorum required in the declaration or bylaws; or

44 (b) The quorum required in subsection (1) of this section.

45 **SECTION 12.** ORS 94.658 is amended to read:

94.658. (1) Unless the declaration provides otherwise, each lot of a planned community shall 1 2 be entitled to one vote. (2) Unless the declaration or bylaws provide otherwise: 3 (a) An executor, administrator, guardian or trustee may vote[, in person or by proxy, at a meeting 4 of the association] or grant approval or consent with respect to a lot owned or held in a fiduciary 5 capacity if the fiduciary satisfies the secretary of the board of directors that the person is the ex-6 ecutor, administrator, guardian or trustee holding the lot. 7 (b) When a lot is owned by two or more persons jointly, according to the records of the asso-8 9 ciation: (A) Except as provided in this paragraph, the vote [or proxy] of the lot may be exercised by a 10 co-owner in the absence of protest by another co-owner. If the co-owners cannot agree upon the 11 12 vote, the vote of the lot shall be disregarded completely in determining the proportion of votes given 13 with respect to such matter. (B) A valid court order may establish the right of co-owners' authority to vote. 14 15 SECTION 13. ORS 94.660 is amended to read: 16 94.660. (1) [Unless the bylaws provide otherwise,] The vote [or votes] or consent of a lot may be cast [by absentee ballot or pursuant to a proxy executed by the owner.] or given: 17 18 (a) In person at a meeting of the homeowners association. 19 (b) In the discretion of the board of directors, by absentee ballot in accordance with subsection (3) of this section. 20(c) Unless the declaration or bylaws or ORS 94.550 to 94.783 provide otherwise, pursuant 2122to a proxy in accordance with subsection (2) of this section. 23(d) By written ballot in lieu of a meeting under ORS 94.647. (e) By any other method specified by the declaration or bylaws or ORS 94.550 to 94.783. 24 (2)(a) A proxy: 25(A) Must be dated and signed by the owner; 2627(B) Is not valid if it is undated or purports to be revocable without notice; and (C) Terminates one year after its date unless the proxy specifies a shorter term. 28(b) The board of directors may not require that a proxy be on a form prescribed by the 2930 board. 31 [(2)] (c) An owner may not revoke a proxy given pursuant to this section except by actual notice 32of revocation to the person presiding over a meeting of the association or to the board of directors if a vote is being conducted by written ballot in lieu of a meeting pursuant to ORS 94.647. 33 34 [(3) A proxy is not valid if it is undated or purports to be revocable without notice. A proxy shall 35 terminate one year after its date unless the proxy specifies a shorter term.] (d) A copy of a proxy in compliance with paragraph (a) of this subsection provided to the 36 37 association by facsimile, electronic mail or other means of electronic communication utilized 38 by the board of directors is valid. (3)(a) An absentee ballot shall set forth each proposed action and provide an opportunity 39 to vote for or against each proposed action. 40 (b) All solicitations for votes by absentee ballot shall include: 41 (A) Instructions for delivery of the completed absentee ballot, including the delivery lo-42 43 cation; and (B) Instructions about whether the ballot may be canceled if the ballot has been delivered 44 according to the instructions. 45

(c) An absentee ballot shall be counted as an owner present for the purpose of estab-1 2 lishing a quorum. (d) An owner may vote in person at a meeting even though an absentee ballot has been 3 delivered to the owner if the owner has not voted and returned the absentee ballot. 4 $\mathbf{5}$ SECTION 14. ORS 94.675 is amended to read: 94.675. (1) The board of directors of [an] a homeowners association shall obtain and 6 maintain: 7 (a) Insurance for all insurable improvements in the common property against loss or damage by 8 9 fire or other hazards, including extended coverage, vandalism and malicious mischief. The insurance 10 shall cover the full replacement costs of any repair or reconstruction in the event of damage or destruction from any such hazard if the insurance is available at reasonable cost; and 11 12 (b) A public liability policy covering all common property and all damage or injury caused by 13 the negligence of the association. (2) Premiums for insurance obtained under this section shall be a common expense of the asso-14 15 ciation. (3) [The] A policy may contain a [reasonable deductible and the amount thereof] deductible in 16 the amount specified in the declaration or bylaws. The deductible amount shall be added to the 17 18 face amount of the policy in determining whether the insurance equals at least the full replacement 19 cost. (4) Notwithstanding a provision in the declaration or bylaws that imposes a maximum 20deductible amount in an association insurance policy, if the board of directors determines 2122that it is in the best interest of the association and owners as provided in subsection (5) of 23this section, the board may adopt a resolution authorizing the association to obtain and maintain an insurance policy with a deductible amount exceeding the specified maximum, but 24not in excess of: 25(a) The maximum deductible acceptable to the Federal National Mortgage Association; 2627or (b) \$10,000. 28(5) In making the determination under subsection (4) of this section, the board of direc-2930 tors shall consider such factors as the availability and cost of insurance and the loss expe-31 rience of the association. (6) The board of directors shall ensure that a copy of a resolution adopted under sub-32section (4) of this section and a notice described in section 3 of this 2007 Act are: 33 34 (a) Delivered to each owner; or (b) Mailed, not later than 10 days after adoption of the resolution, to the mailing address 35 of each owner or to the mailing address designated in writing by the owner. 36 37 SECTION 15. ORS 94.680 is amended to read: 38 94.680. (1) If a declaration [provides] or bylaws provide that the homeowners association has the sole authority to decide whether to repair or reconstruct a unit that has suffered damage or 39 whether a unit must be repaired or reconstructed, the board of directors shall obtain blanket all-risk 40 insurance for the full replacement cost of all structures in the planned community. Cost of the 41 coverage shall be a common expense to the association. 42 (2) If the declaration [contains] or bylaws contain a provision described in subsection (1) of this 43 section, the declaration or bylaws also shall provide: 44 (a) Requirements of or limitations on repairing or reconstructing damaged or destroyed property; 45

1 (b) The time within which the repair or reconstruction must begin; and

2 (c) The actions the board of directors must take if:

- 3 (A) Damage or destruction is not repaired or replaced; or
- 4 (B) Insurance proceeds exceed or fall short of the costs of repair or reconstruction.

5 **SECTION 16.** ORS 94.685 is amended to read:

6 94.685. (1) Unless provided in the declaration, the bylaws shall specify:

7 [(1)] (a) The insurance an owner must obtain, if any;

8 [(2)] (b) The insurance, if any, an individual owner is precluded from obtaining; [and]

9 (c) The responsibility for payment of the amount of the deductible in an association in-10 surance policy; and

11 [(3)] (d) Whether or not the insurance coverage obtained and maintained by the board of direc-12 tors may be brought into contribution with insurance bought by owners or their mortgagees.

(2) The declaration or bylaws may provide that the responsibility for payment of the
 amount of the deductible may be prescribed by resolution adopted by the board of directors.
 <u>SECTION 17.</u> ORS 94.719 is amended to read:

- 94.719. [Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws,] In any suit or action brought by a homeowners association to foreclose its lien or to collect delinquent assessments or in any suit or action brought by the declarant, the association or any owner or class of owners to enforce compliance with the terms and provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783[,] or the declaration or bylaws, including all amendments and supplements thereto or any rules or regulations adopted by the association, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees therein and in any appeal therefrom.
- 23 <u>SECTION 18.</u> Sections 19, 20, 21 and 22 of this 2007 Act are added to and made a part of 24 ORS chapter 100.

25 <u>SECTION 19.</u> (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, if an association of unit owners 26 fails to fill vacancies on the board of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum in accord-27 ance with the bylaws, a unit owner or a first mortgagee of a unit may request the circuit 28 court of the county in which the condominium is located to appoint a receiver under ORCP 29 80 to manage the affairs of the association.

(2) At least 45 days before a unit owner or first mortgagee of a unit requests the circuit
court to appoint a receiver under subsection (1) of this section, the unit owner or first
mortgagee shall mail, by certified or registered mail, a notice to the association and shall
post a copy of the notice at a conspicuous place or places on the property or provide notice
by a method otherwise reasonably calculated to inform unit owners of the proposed action.

(3) The notice shall be signed by the unit owner or first mortgagee of the unit and in clude:

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(a) A description of the intended action.

(b) A statement that the intended action is pursuant to this section.

(c) The date, not less than 30 days after mailing of the notice, by which the association
 must fill vacancies on the board sufficient to constitute a quorum.

(d) A statement that if the association fails to fill vacancies on the board by the specified
date, the unit owner or first mortgagee may file a petition with the court under subsection
(1) of this section.

(e) A statement that if a receiver is appointed, all expenses of the receivership will be
 common expenses of the association as provided in subsection (4) of this section.

1 (4) If a receiver is appointed, the salary of the receiver, court costs, attorney fees and 2 all other expenses of the receivership shall be common expenses of the association.

3 (5) A receiver appointed under this section has all of the powers and duties of a duly 4 constituted board of directors and shall serve until a sufficient number of vacancies on the 5 board are filled to constitute a quorum.

6 (6) If at a turnover meeting held in accordance with ORS 100.210 the unit owners fail to 7 elect the number of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum of the board of directors, in 8 addition to the notice requirements specified in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, a unit 9 owner shall give the notice to all other unit owners as provided in the bylaws.

(7) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) of this section, in the case of an emergency,
 the court may waive the notice requirements of subsections (2) and (3) of this section.

<u>SECTION 20.</u> (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section and notwithstanding any requirement under the declaration or bylaws or this chapter, in the discretion of the board of directors of the association of unit owners, any notice, information or other written material required to be given to a unit owner or director under the declaration or bylaws or this chapter, may be given by electronic mail, facsimile or other form of electronic communication acceptable to the board of directors.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, electronic mail, facsimile or other form
 of electronic communication may not be used to give notice of:

- 20 (a) Failure to pay an assessment;
- 21 (b) Foreclosure of an association lien under ORS 100.450;
- 22 (c) An action the association may take against a unit owner; or
- 23 (d) An offer to use the dispute resolution program under ORS 100.405.
- (3) A unit owner or director may decline to receive notice by electronic mail, facsimile
 or other form of electronic communication and may direct the board of directors to provide
 notice in the manner required under the declaration or bylaws or this chapter.
- 27 SECTION 21. (1) As used in this section, "electronic ballot" means a ballot given by:
- 28 (a) Electronic mail;
- 29 (b) Facsimile transmission;
- 30 (c) Posting on a website; or

31 (d) Other means of electronic communication acceptable to the board of directors.

(2) Unless the declaration or bylaws prohibit or provide for other methods of electronic
ballots, the board of directors of an association of unit owners, in the board's discretion,
may provide that a vote, approval or consent of a unit owner may be given by electronic
ballot.

36 (3) An electronic ballot shall comply with the requirements of this section and the dec 37 laration or bylaws or this chapter.

(4) An electronic ballot may be accompanied by or contained in an electronic notice in
 accordance with section 20 of this 2007 Act.

(5) If an electronic ballot is posted on a website, a notice of the posting shall be sent to
each unit owner and shall contain instructions on obtaining access to the posting on the
website.

43 (6) A vote made by electronic ballot is effective when it is electronically transmitted to
44 an address, location or system designated by the board of directors for that purpose.

45 (7) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws or rules adopted by the board

of directors, a vote by electronic ballot may not be revoked. 1 2 (8) The board of directors may not elect to use electronic ballots unless there are procedures to ensure: 3 (a) Compliance with ORS 100.425 if the vote conducted by written ballot under ORS 4 100.425 uses the procedures specified in ORS 100.425 (2)(b); and 5 (b) That the electronic ballot is secret, if the declaration or bylaws or rules adopted by 6 the board require that electronic ballots be secret. 7 SECTION 22. (1) A director of an association of unit owners who is present at a meeting 8 9 of the board of directors at which action is taken on any association matter is presumed to have assented to the action unless the director votes against the action or abstains from 10 voting on the action because the director claims a conflict of interest. 11 12(2) When action is taken on any matter at a meeting of the board of directors, the vote or abstention of each director present must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. 13 (3) Directors may not vote by proxy or by secret ballot at meetings of the board of di-14 15rectors. (4) Notwithstanding subsection (3) of this section, officers may be elected by secret bal-16 lot. 17 18 SECTION 23. ORS 100.175 is amended to read: 19 100.175. (1) The declarant, on behalf of the association of unit owners, shall: (a) Conduct a reserve study as described in subsection (3) of this section; [and] 20(b) Prepare a maintenance plan as described in subsection (4) of this section; and 21 22(c) Establish a reserve account as provided in subsection (2) of this section. 23[(b)] (2)(a) [Establish] A reserve account shall be established for major maintenance, repair or replacement of those common elements all or part of which will normally require major main-24tenance, repair or replacement in more than [three] one and less than 30 years, for exterior 25painting if the common elements include exterior painted surfaces, and for such other items as may 2627be required by the declaration or bylaws. The reserve account need not include: (A) Items that [could] can reasonably be funded from [operating assessments] the general 28budget or other funds or accounts of the association; or 2930 (B) A reserve for limited common elements for which maintenance and replacement are the re-31 sponsibility of one or more, but less than all, unit owners under the provisions of the declaration or bylaws. 32[(2)(a) The reserve account must be funded by assessments against the individual units for the 33 34 purposes for which the reserve account is being established.] 35 [(b) The assessment under this subsection will accrue from the time of the conveyance of the first individual unit assessed as provided in ORS 100.530.] 36 37 [(3)(a)] (b) The reserve account shall be established in the name of the association of unit own-38 ers. [that will be] The association is responsible for administering the account and for making periodic payments into the account. 39 40 [(b)] (c) The reserve portion of the initial assessment determined by the declarant shall be based on [the following]: 41 (A) The reserve study described in [paragraph (c) of this] subsection (3) of this section; 42 (B) In the case of a conversion condominium, the statement described in ORS 100.655 (1)(g); or 43 (C) Other reliable information. 44

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the purposes for which the reserve account is established. 1 2 (e) The assessment under this subsection accrues from the time of the conveyance of the 3 first individual unit assessed as provided in ORS 100.530. [(c)] (3)(a) The board of directors of the association annually shall conduct a reserve study or 4 review and update an existing study to determine the reserve account requirements and may: 5 (A) Adjust the amount of payments in accordance with the study or review; and 6 (B) Provide for other reserve items that the board of directors, in its discretion, may deem ap-7 propriate. 8 9 [(d)] (b) The reserve study shall [include]: (A) [Identification of] Identify all items for which reserves are [to] or will be established; 10 (B) Include the estimated remaining useful life of each item as of the date of the reserve study; 11 12and 13 (C) Include for each item, as applicable, an estimated cost of maintenance[,] and repair [or] and replacement [of each item at the end of its] at the end of the item's useful life. [; and] 14 15[(D)] (4)(a) [A 30-year plan] The board of directors shall prepare a maintenance plan for the maintenance, repair and replacement of [common elements and association property with regular and 16 adequate contributions, adjusted by estimated inflation and interest earned on reserves, to meet the 17 18 maintenance, repair and replacement schedule.] all property for which the association has main-19 tenance, repair or replacement responsibility under the declaration or bylaws or this chapter, 20including, but not limited to, the items for which the reserve account is established under subsection (2) of this section. The maintenance plan shall: 2122(A) Describe the maintenance, repair and replacement to be conducted; 23(B) Include a schedule for the maintenance, repair and replacement; [(4) The 30-year plan under subsection (3) of this section shall:] 24 [(a)] (C) Be appropriate for the size and complexity of the [common elements and association 25property] maintenance, repair and replacement responsibility of the association; and 2627[(b)] (D) Address issues that include but are not limited to warranties and the useful life of the [common elements and association property.] items for which the association has maintenance, 28repair or replacement responsibility. 2930 (b) The board of directors shall review and update the maintenance plan described under 31 this subsection as necessary. [(5) The board of directors and the declarant shall, within 30 days after conducting the reserve 32study, provide to every unit owner a written summary of the reserve study and of any revisions to the 33 34 30-year plan adopted by the board of directors or the declarant as a result of the reserve study.] 35 [(6)(a)] (5)(a) If the declaration or bylaws require a reserve account, the reserve study requirements of subsection (3) of this section and the maintenance plan requirements of subsection (4) 36 37 of this section first apply to the association of a condominium recorded prior to October 23, 1999: 38 (A) Upon adoption of a resolution by the board of directors in accordance with the bylaws providing that the requirements of [subsection (3)] subsections (3) and (4) of this section apply to the 39 40 association; or (B) Upon submission to the board of directors of a petition signed by a majority of unit owners 41 mandating that the requirements of [subsection (3)] subsections (3) and (4) of this section apply to 4243 the association. (b) The reserve study and the maintenance plan shall be completed within one year of the date 44

of adoption of the resolution or submission of the petition to the board of directors.

[(7)(a)] (6)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the reserve account is to
be used only for the purposes for which reserves have been established and is to be kept separate
from other funds.
(b) After the individual unit owners have assumed administrative responsibility for the associ-

ation under ORS 100.210, if the board of directors has adopted a resolution, which may be an annual
continuing resolution, authorizing the borrowing of funds:

(A) The board of directors may borrow funds from the reserve account to meet high seasonal
demands on the regular operating funds or to meet unexpected increases in expenses.

9 (B) Not later than the adoption of the budget for the following year, the board of directors shall 10 adopt by resolution a written payment plan providing for repayment of the borrowed funds within 11 a reasonable period.

12 [(8)] (7) Restrictions on the use of the reserve account do not prohibit its prudent investment 13 subject to any constraints on investment of association funds imposed by the declaration, bylaws or 14 rules of the association of unit owners.

15 [(9)] (8) Assessments paid into the reserve account are the property of the association of unit 16 owners and are not refundable to sellers of units.

[(10)] (9) In addition to the authority of the board of directors under subsection [(3)(c)] (3)(a)
 of this section, following turnover, the association may:

(a) On an annual basis, elect not to fund the reserve account described in subsection (1) of this
 section by unanimous vote of the owners; or

(b) Elect to reduce or increase future assessments for the reserve account described in subsection (1) of this section by an affirmative vote of at least 75 percent of the owners.

23 SECTION 24. ORS 100.210 is amended to read:

100.210. (1) A turnover meeting shall be called by the declarant within 90 days of the expiration of any period of declarant control reserved in the declaration or bylaws under ORS 100.200. If no control has been reserved, the declarant shall call the turnover meeting within 90 days of the earlier of:

(a) In a single stage condominium, three years from the date of conveyance of the first unit to
a person other than [the] a successor declarant or conveyance of 50 percent of the units.

30 (b) In a staged or flexible condominium, seven years from the date of conveyance of the first 31 unit to a person other than the declarant or conveyance to persons other than [*the*] **a successor** 32 declarant of 50 percent of the total number of units which the declarant may submit to the pro-33 visions of this chapter under ORS 100.125 or 100.150.

(2) The declarant shall give notice of the turnover meeting in accordance with the bylaws of the
condominium to each unit owner at least 10 but not more than 50 days prior to the meeting. The
notice shall state the purpose of the meeting and the time and place where it is to be held.

(3) If the meeting required under subsection (1) of this section is not called by the declarant
within the time specified, the meeting may be called and notice given by a unit owner or any first
mortgagee of a unit.

40 (4) At the turnover meeting:

(a) The declarant shall relinquish control of the administration of the association of unit owners
 and the unit owners shall assume the control;

(b) If a quorum of the unit owners is present, the unit owners shall elect [a] not fewer than
the number of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum of the board of directors in accordance with the declaration or bylaws of the condominium; and

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(c) The declarant shall deliver to the association the items specified in subsection (5) of this

2 section. (5) At the turnover meeting the declarant shall deliver to the association all property of the unit 3 owners and the association of unit owners held or controlled by the declarant including, but not 4 limited to, the following items, if applicable: $\mathbf{5}$ (a) The original or a photocopy of the recorded declaration and bylaws of the condominium and 6 any supplements and amendments thereto. 7 (b) A copy of the articles of incorporation. 8 9 (c) The minute books, including all minutes, and other books and records of the association. (d) The reserve study, updates described in ORS 100.175 and other sources of information that 10 serve as a basis for calculating reserves in accordance with ORS 100.175 [(3)]. 11 12 (e) Any rules and regulations which have been promulgated. 13 (f) Resignations of officers and members of the board of directors who are required to resign because of the expiration of any period of declarant control reserved under ORS 100.200. 14 15 (g) A financial statement. The financial statement: (A) Must consist of a balance sheet and an income and expense statement for the preceding 16 12-month period or the period following the recording of the declaration, whichever period is 17 18 shorter. 19 (B) Must be reviewed, in accordance with the Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, by an independent 20certified public accountant licensed in the State of Oregon if the annual assessments of an associ-2122ation of unit owners exceed \$75,000. 23(h) Association funds or control thereof, including, but not limited to, funds for reserve required under ORS 100.530 (3)(b) and any bank signature cards. 24(i) All tangible personal property that is property of the association and an inventory of such 2526property. 27(j) A copy of the following, if available: (A) The as-built architectural, structural, engineering, mechanical, electrical and plumbing plans. 28(B) The original specifications indicating thereon all material changes. 2930 (C) The plans for underground site service, site grading, drainage and landscaping together with 31 cable television drawings. 32(D) Any other plans and information relevant to future repair or maintenance of the property. (k) Insurance policies. 33 34 (L) Copies of any occupancy permits which have been issued for the condominium. 35 (m) Any other permits issued by governmental bodies applicable to the condominium in force or issued within one year prior to the date the unit owners assume control of the administration 36 37 of the association of unit owners. (n) A list of the general contractor and the subcontractors responsible for construction or in-38 stallation of the major plumbing, electrical, mechanical and structural components of the common 39 elements. 40 (o) A roster of unit owners and their addresses and telephone numbers, if known, as shown on 41 the records of the declarant. 42 (p) Leases of the common elements and any other leases to which the association is a party. 43 (q) Employment or service contracts in which the association is one of the contracting parties 44

or service contracts in which the association or the unit owners have an obligation or responsibility,

1 directly or indirectly, to pay some or all of the fee or charge of the person performing the service.

(r) Any other contracts to which the association of unit owners is a party.

3 (6) In order to facilitate an orderly transition, during the three-month period following the 4 turnover meeting, the declarant or an informed representative shall be available to meet with the 5 board of directors on at least three mutually acceptable dates to review the documents delivered 6 under subsection (5) of this section.

7 (7) If the declarant has complied with this section, unless the declarant otherwise has sufficient 8 voting rights as a unit owner to control the association, the declarant [*shall not be*] is not respon-9 sible for the failure of the unit owners to [*comply*] elect the number of directors sufficient to 10 constitute a quorum of the board of directors and assume control of the association in ac-11 cordance with subsection (4) of this section. [*and*] The declarant shall be relieved of any further 12 responsibility for the administration of the association except as a unit owner of any unsold unit.

(8) If the unit owners present do not constitute a quorum or the unit owners fail to elect
the number of directors sufficient to constitute a quorum of the board of directors at the
turnover meeting held in accordance with subsection (1) of this section:

(a) At any time before the election of the number of directors sufficient to constitute a
quorum, a unit owner or first mortgagee of a unit may call a special meeting for the purpose
of election of directors and shall give notice of the meeting in accordance with the notice
requirements in the bylaws for special meetings. The unit owners and first mortgagees
present at the special meeting shall select a person to preside over the meeting.

(b) A unit owner or first mortgagee of a unit may request a court to appoint a receiver
 as provided in section 19 of this 2007 Act.

23 SECTION 25. ORS 100.407 is amended to read:

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24 100.407. (1) The association of unit owners shall hold at least one meeting of the owners each 25 calendar year.

(2)(a) Special meetings of the association may be called by the chairperson of the board of directors, by a majority of the board of directors or by the chairperson or secretary upon receipt of a written request of a percentage of unit owners specified in the bylaws. However, the bylaws may not require a percentage greater than 50 percent or less than 10 percent of the unit owners for the purpose of calling a meeting.

(b) If the bylaws do not specify a percentage of unit owners that may [call] request the calling
of a special meeting, a special meeting shall be called if 30 percent or more of the unit owners
[may call a special meeting,] make the request in writing. Notice of [which] the special meeting
shall be given as specified in this section.

(3) If the unit owners request a special meeting under subsection (2) of this section and the notice is not given within 30 days after the date the written request is delivered to the chairperson or the secretary, a unit owner who signed the request may set the time and place of the meeting and give notice as provided in subsection (4) of this section.

39 [(3)(a)] (4)(a) Not less than 10 nor more than 50 days before any meeting called under this sec-40 tion, the secretary or other officer of the association specified in the bylaws shall cause the notice 41 to be hand delivered or mailed to the mailing address of each unit owner or to the mailing address 42 designated in writing by the **unit** owner, and to all mortgagees that have requested [such] the no-43 tice.

(b) The notice shall state the time and place of the meeting and the items on the agenda, including the general nature of any proposed amendment to the declaration or bylaws, any budget

changes or any proposal to remove a director or officer of the association. 1

2 (c) Mortgagees may designate a representative to attend a meeting called under this section.

3 SECTION 26. ORS 100.408 is amended to read:

100.408. (1) Unless the bylaws provide otherwise, a quorum for any meeting of the association 4

of unit owners [shall consist] consists of the number of persons who are entitled to cast 20 percent of the [votes] voting rights and who are present in person, [or] by proxy or by absentee ballot, 6

if absentee ballots are permitted by the board of directors, at the beginning of the meeting. 7

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(2) If any meeting of the association of unit owners cannot be organized because of a lack 9 of a quorum, the unit owners who are present, either in person or by proxy, may adjourn the meeting. The quorum for a subsequent meeting is the greater of:

(a) One-half of the quorum required in the bylaws; or 11

12(b) The quorum required in subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 27. ORS 100.425 is amended to read: 13

100.425. (1) Unless prohibited or limited by the declaration, articles of incorporation or bylaws, 14 15 any action that may be taken at any annual, regular or special meeting of the association of unit owners may be taken without a meeting if the association delivers a written ballot to every associ-16 ation member that is entitled to vote on the matter. Action by written ballot may not substitute for 17 18 the following meetings:

19 (a) The turnover meeting required under ORS 100.210.

20(b) The annual meeting of an association if more than a majority of the units are the principal residences of the occupants. 21

22(c) A meeting of the association if the agenda includes a proposal to remove a director from the board of directors. 23

(d) A special meeting of the association called at the request of unit owners under ORS 24 25100.407 (2).

(2)(a) A written ballot shall set forth each proposed action and provide an opportunity to vote 2627for or against each proposed action.

(b) The board of directors must provide owners with at least 10 days' notice before written 28ballots are mailed or otherwise delivered. If, at least three days before written ballots are scheduled 2930 to be mailed or otherwise distributed, at least 10 percent of the owners petition the board of direc-31 tors requesting secrecy procedures, subject to paragraph (d) of this subsection, a written ballot must be accompanied by: 32

(A) A secrecy envelope; 33

34 (B) A return identification envelope to be signed by the owner; and

35 (C) Instructions for marking and returning the ballot.

(c) The notice required under paragraph (b) of this subsection shall state: 36

37 (A) The general subject matter of the vote by written ballot;

(B) The right of owners to request secrecy procedures specified in paragraph (b) of this sub-38 section; 39

(C) The date after which ballots may be distributed; 40

(D) The date and time by which any petition requesting secrecy procedures must be received 41

by the board [requesting secrecy procedures]; and 42

(E) The address where any petition must be delivered. 43

[(d) Notwithstanding the applicable provisions of subsection (3) or (4) of this section, written ballots 44

that are returned in secrecy envelopes may not be examined or counted before the deadline for returning 45

1 ballots has passed.]

2 (d) The requirements of paragraph (b)(A) and (B) of this subsection do not apply to a 3 written ballot of a unit owner if the consent or approval of that unit owner is required by 4 the declaration or bylaws or this chapter.

5 (3) Matters that may be voted on by written ballot shall be deemed approved or rejected as 6 follows:

7 (a) If approval of a proposed action otherwise would require a meeting at which a certain quo-8 rum must be present and at which a certain percentage of total votes cast is required to authorize 9 the action, the proposal shall be deemed to be approved when the date for return of ballots has 10 passed, a quorum of unit owners has voted and the required percentage of approving votes has been 11 received. Otherwise, the proposal shall be deemed to be rejected; and

12(b) If approval of a proposed action otherwise would require a meeting at which a specified 13 percentage of unit owners must authorize the action, the proposal shall be deemed to be approved when the percentage of total votes cast in favor of the proposal equals or exceeds [such] the re-14 15 quired percentage. The proposal shall be deemed to be rejected when the number of votes cast in 16opposition renders approval impossible or when both the date for return of ballots has passed and [such] the required percentage has not been met. [Unless otherwise prohibited by the declaration, 17 18 articles of incorporation or bylaws, the votes may be counted from time to time before the final return 19 date to determine whether the proposal has passed or failed by the votes already cast on the date they 20are counted.]

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(4) All solicitations for votes by written ballot shall state the following:

(a) If approval of a proposal by written ballot requires that the total number of votes cast equal
or exceed a certain quorum requirement, the number of responses needed to meet [*such*] the quorum
requirement; [*and*]

(b) If approval of a proposal by written ballot requires that a certain percentage of total votes
 cast approve the proposal, the required percentage of total votes needed for approval; and

(c) The period during which the association will accept written ballots for counting in
 accordance with subsection (5) of this section.

(5)(a) [All solicitations for votes by written ballot shall specify the period during which] The association shall accept written ballots for counting[, which] during the period specified in the solicitation under subsection (4) of this section. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the period shall end on the earliest of the following dates:

[(a)] (A) If approval of a proposed action by written ballot requires that a certain percentage
 of the unit owners approve the proposal, the date on which the association has received a sufficient
 number of approving ballots;

[(b)] (B) If approval of a proposed action by written ballot requires that a certain percentage
 of the unit owners approve the proposal, the date on which the association has received a sufficient
 number of disapproving ballots to render approval impossible; [and] or

39 [(c)] (C) In all cases, a **specified** date certain on which all ballots must be returned to be 40 counted.

(b) If the vote is by secrecy procedure under subsection (2)(b) of this section, the period
shall end on the date specified in the solicitation or any extension under paragraph (c) of this
subsection.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in the declaration, articles of incorporation or bylaws,
 in the discretion of the board of directors, if a date certain is specified in the solicitation

under subsection (4) of this section, the period may be extended by written notice of the 1 2 extension given to all unit owners before the end of the specified date certain. (6) Except as otherwise provided in the declaration, articles of incorporation[,] or bylaws, **unless** 3 the vote is by secrecy procedure under subsection (2)(b) of this section, a written ballot may 4 [not] be revoked before the final return date of the ballots. 5 (7) Unless otherwise prohibited by the declaration, articles of incorporation or bylaws, 6 the votes may be counted from time to time before the final return date of the ballots to 7 determine whether the proposal has passed or failed by the votes already cast on the date 8 9 the ballots are counted. (8) Notwithstanding subsection (7) of this section, ballots that are returned in secrecy 10 envelopes may not be examined or counted before the date certain specified in the solicita-11 12tion or any extension under subsection (5)(c) of this section. 13 SECTION 28. ORS 100.427 is amended to read: 100.427. (1) [Unless the bylaws provide otherwise, the vote or votes] The voting rights or consent 14 15 of a unit owner may be cast [by absentee ballot or pursuant to a proxy executed by the owner.] or given: 16 (a) In person at a meeting of the association of unit owners. 1718 (b) In the discretion of the board of directors, by absentee ballot in accordance with subsection (3) of this section. 19 (c) Unless the declaration or bylaws or this chapter provide otherwise, pursuant to a 20proxy in accordance with subsection (2) of this section. 2122(d) By written ballot in lieu of a meeting under ORS 100.425. (e) By any other method specified by the declaration or bylaws or this chapter. 23(2)(a) A proxy: 24 (A) Must be dated and signed by the unit owner; 25(B) Is not valid if it is undated or purports to be revocable without notice; and 26(C) Terminates one year after its date unless the proxy specifies a shorter term. 27(b) The board of directors may not require that a proxy be on a form prescribed by the 28board. 2930 [(2)] (c) [An] A unit owner may not revoke a proxy given pursuant to this section except by 31 actual notice of revocation to the person presiding over a meeting of the association of unit owners or to the board of directors if a vote is being conducted by written ballot in lieu of a meeting pur-32suant to ORS 100.425. 33 34 [(3) A proxy is not valid if it is undated or purports to be revocable without notice. A proxy shall 35 terminate one year after its date unless the proxy specifies a shorter term.] (d) A copy of a proxy in compliance with paragraph (a) of this subsection provided to the 36 37 association by facsimile, electronic mail or other means of electronic communication utilized 38 by the board of directors is valid. (3)(a) An absentee ballot shall set forth each proposed action and provide an opportunity 39 to vote for or against each proposed action. 40 (b) All solicitations for votes by absentee ballot shall include: 41 (A) Instructions for delivery of the completed absentee ballot, including the delivery lo-42 43 cation; and (B) Instructions about whether the ballot may be canceled if the ballot has been delivered 44

45 according to the instructions.

(c) An absentee ballot shall be counted as a unit owner present for the purpose of es-1 2 tablishing a quorum. (d) A unit owner may vote in person at a meeting even though an absentee ballot was 3 delivered to the unit owner if the unit owner has not voted and returned the absentee ballot. 4 $\mathbf{5}$ SECTION 29. ORS 100.470 is amended to read: 100.470. [Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws,] In any suit or action brought 6 by an association of unit owners to foreclose its lien or to collect delinquent assessments or in any 7 suit or action brought by declarant, the association or any owner or class of owners to enforce 8 9 compliance with the terms and provisions of the Oregon Condominium Act, the condominium declaration or bylaws, including all amendments and supplements thereto or any rules or regulations 10 adopted by the association, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees 11 12 therein and in any appeal therefrom. 13 **SECTION 30.** ORS 100.415 is amended to read: 100.415. (1) The bylaws shall include a reference to the declaration to which the bylaws relate 14 15 and shall provide for: 16[(1)] (a) The organization of the association of unit owners in accordance with ORS 100.405, when the initial meeting shall be held and the method of calling that meeting. 17 18 [(2)] (b) If required under ORS 100.205, the formation of a transitional committee in accordance with such section. 19 [(3)] (c) The turnover meeting required under ORS 100.210, including when the meeting shall be 20called, the method of calling the meeting, the right of a unit owner under ORS 100.210 (3) to call 2122the meeting and a statement of the purpose of the meeting. 23[(4)(a)] (d)(A) The method of calling the annual meeting and all other meetings of the unit owners in accordance with ORS 100.407; and 2425[(b)] (B) The percentage of owners that constitutes a quorum. [(5)(a)] (e)(A) The election from among the unit owners of a board of directors and the number 2627of persons constituting the board; [(b)] (B) The terms of office of directors; 28[(c)] (C) The powers and duties of the board; 2930 [(d)] (D) The compensation, if any, of the directors; 31 [(e)] (E) The method of removal from office of directors; and [(f)] (F) The method of filling vacancies on the board. 32[(6)] (f) The method of calling meetings of the board of directors in accordance with ORS 100.420 33 34 and a statement that all meetings of the board of directors of the association of unit owners shall 35 be open to unit owners. [(7)] (g) The election of a chairperson, a secretary, a treasurer and any other officers of the 36 37 association. 38 [(8)] (h) The preparation and adoption of a budget in accordance with ORS 100.412. $[(9)(\alpha)]$ (i)(A) The maintenance, repair and replacement of the common elements and association 39 40 property; [(b)] (B) Payment for the expense of maintenance, repair and replacement of common elements 41 and association property and other expenses of the condominium in accordance with ORS 100.530; 4243 and [(c)] (C) The method of approving payment vouchers. 44 [(10)] (j) The employment of personnel necessary for the maintenance and repair of the common 45

1 elements.

2 [(11)] (k) The manner of collecting assessments from the unit owners.

3 [(12)] (L) Insurance coverage in accordance with ORS 100.435 and the responsibility for pay-

4 ment of the amount of the deductible in an association insurance policy.

5 [(13)] (**m**) The preparation and distribution of the annual financial statement in accordance with 6 ORS 100.480.

7 [(14)] (n) The reserve account and the preparation, review and update of the reserve study re-8 quired under ORS 100.175.

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[(15)] (o) The filing of an Annual Report and any amendment with the Real Estate Agency in accordance with ORS 100.250.

11 [(16)] (**p**) The method of adopting and of amending administrative rules and regulations govern-12 ing the details of the operation of the condominium and use of the common elements.

[(17)] (q) Restrictions on and requirements respecting the enjoyment and maintenance of the units and the common elements as are designed to prevent unreasonable interference with the use of their respective units and of the common elements by the several unit owners.

16 [(18)] (r) Any restrictions on use or occupancy of units. Any such restrictions created by docu-17 ments other than the bylaws may be incorporated by reference in the bylaws to the official records 18 of the county in which the property is located.

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[(19)] (s) The method of amending the bylaws in accordance with ORS 100.410.

[(20)] (t) Any other details regarding the property that the declarant considers desirable. However, if a provision required to be in the declaration under ORS 100.105 is included in the bylaws, the voting requirements for amending the declaration shall also govern the amendment of the provision in the bylaws.

[(21)] (u) In the event additional units are proposed to be annexed or created pursuant to ORS 100.125 or 100.150, the method of apportioning common expenses in the event new units are added during the course of the fiscal year.

(2) The bylaws may provide that the responsibility for payment of the amount of the
 deductible may be prescribed by resolution adopted by the board of directors.

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SECTION 31. ORS 100.435 is amended to read:

100.435. (1) If the bylaws provide that the association of unit owners has the sole authority to decide whether to repair or reconstruct a unit that has suffered damage or that a unit must be repaired or reconstructed, the board of directors shall obtain and maintain at all times and shall pay for out of the common expense funds, the following insurance covering both the common elements and individual units:

(a) Property insurance including, but not limited to, fire, extended coverage, vandalism and ma licious mischief; and

37 (b) Insurance covering the legal liability of the association of unit owners, the unit owners in-38 dividually and the manager including, but not limited to, the board of directors, the public and the unit owners and their invitees or tenants, incident to ownership, supervision, control or use of the 39 property. There may be excluded from the policy required under this paragraph, coverage of a unit 40 owner, other than coverage as a member of the association of unit owners or board of directors, for 41 liability arising out of acts or omissions of that unit owner and liability incident to the ownership 42or use of the part of the property as to which that unit owner has the exclusive use or occupancy. 43 Liability insurance required under this paragraph shall be issued on a comprehensive liability basis 44 and shall provide a cross liability indorsement providing that the rights of a named insured under 45

the policy [shall] do not prejudice any action against another named insured. 1

2 (2) If the bylaws require the individual unit owners to obtain insurance for their units, the bylaws also shall contain a provision requiring the board of directors to obtain the following insurance 3 4 covering the common elements:

(a) Property insurance including, but not limited to, fire, extended coverage, vandalism and ma-5 6 licious mischief; and

(b) Insurance covering the legal liability of the association of unit owners and the manager in-7 cluding, but not limited to, the board of directors, to the public or the unit owners and their invitees 8 9 or tenants, incident to supervision, control or use of the property.

(3) The board of directors shall obtain, if reasonably available, terms in insurance policies under 10 this section that provide a waiver of subrogation by the insurer as to any claims against the board 11 12 of directors of the association[, any owner or any guest of an owner].

(4) Notwithstanding a provision in the declaration or bylaws of a condominium, including 13 a condominium created before the effective date of this 2007 Act, that imposes a maximum 14 15 deductible amount of \$10,000 or less in an association insurance policy, if the board of directors determines that it is in the best interest of the association of unit owners and of the 16 unit owners, as provided in subsection (5) of this section, the board may adopt a resolution 17 18 authorizing the association to obtain and maintain an insurance policy with a deductible amount exceeding the specified maximum, but not in excess of the greater of: 19

(a) The maximum deductible acceptable to the Federal National Mortgage Association; 2021or

(b) \$10,000.

23(5) In making the determination under subsection (4) of this section, the board of directors shall consider such factors as the availability and cost of insurance and the loss expe-24 25rience of the association.

(6) If the declaration or bylaws of a condominium created before the effective date of this 26272007 Act do not assign the responsibility for payment of the amount of the deductible in an association insurance policy, the board of directors may adopt a resolution that assigns the 28responsibility for payment of the amount of the deductible. The resolution must include, but 2930 need not be limited to:

31 (a) The circumstances under which the deductible will be charged against:

(A) A unit owner or the unit owners affected by a loss; or 32

(B) All unit owners; 33

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35 (c) If a unit owner and the association have duplicate insurance coverage, the insurance policy that is primary, unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws. 36

(b) The allocation of the deductible charged under paragraph (a) of this subsection; and

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(7) If the board of directors adopts a resolution described in subsection (6) of this section, 38 the resolution may require that a unit owner, in addition to any other insurance required by the declaration or bylaws, obtain and maintain: 39

(a) An insurance policy that insures the unit owner's unit and appurtenant limited com-40 mon elements for not less than the amount of the deductible in the association's insurance 41 policy for which the unit owner may be responsible and that insures the unit owner's per-42 sonal property for any loss or damage; and 43

(b) Comprehensive liability insurance that includes, but is not limited to, coverage for 44 negligent acts of unit owners and tenants, guests of unit owners and tenants and occupants 45

of other units for damage to the general and limited common elements, to other units and 1 to the personal property of other persons that is located in other units or the common ele-2 ments. 3 (8) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, the board of directors may 4 adopt a resolution that: 5 (a) Prescribes a procedure for processing insurance claims. The procedure may require 6 that all claims against the association's insurance policy be processed through and coordi-7 nated by the board of directors or the managing agent, if authorized by the board. 8 9 (b) Assigns the responsibility for payment of charges for handling claims, including any 10 charges by a managing agent. (9) The board of directors shall ensure that a copy of a resolution adopted under sub-11 12sections (4), (6) and (8) of this section and a notice described in subsection (10) of this section 13 are: (a) Delivered to each unit owner; or 14 (b) Mailed, not later than 10 days after adoption of the resolution, to the mailing address 15 of each unit owner or to the mailing address designated in writing by the unit owner. 16 (10) The notice required under subsection (9) of this section shall: 1718 (a) Advise the unit owner to contact the unit owner's insurance agent to determine the effect of the resolution on the unit owner's individual insurance coverage; and 19 (b) Be in a form and style reasonably calculated to inform the unit owner of the impor-20tance of the notice. 2122(11) Failure to provide a copy of a resolution or a notice required under this section does not affect the responsibility of a unit owner to comply with a resolution adopted under this 23section. 2425SECTION 32. ORS 100.525 is amended to read: 100.525. (1) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration, each unit of a condominium shall be 2627entitled to one vote. (2) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws: 28(a) An executor, administrator, guardian or trustee may vote[, in person or by proxy, at a meeting 2930 of the association] or grant approval or consent with respect to a unit owned or held in a fiduciary 31 capacity, whether or not the [same] specific right has been transferred to the fiduciary, if the per-32son satisfies the secretary that the person is the executor, administrator, guardian or trustee holding the unit in a fiduciary capacity. 33 34 (b) Whenever a unit is owned by two or more persons jointly, according to the records of the 35 association: (A) Except as provided in this subsection, the vote [or proxy] of the unit may be exercised by 36 37 any one of the owners [present], in the absence of protest by a co-owner. In the event of a disa-38 greement among the co-owners, the vote of the unit shall be disregarded completely in determining the proportion of votes given with respect to the matter. 39 40 (B) A valid court order may establish the right of co-owners' authority to vote. SECTION 33. ORS 94.572 is amended to read: 41 94.572. (1)(a) A Class I or Class II planned community created before January 1, 2002, that was 42 not created under ORS 94.550 to 94.783 is subject to this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590, 94.595 [(6) 43 to (10)] (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.630 (1), (3) and (4), 94.640, 94.645, 94.647, 94.650, 94.655, 94.657, 94.658, 44 94.660, 94.662, 94.665, 94.670, 94.675, 94.680, 94.690, 94.695, 94.704, 94.709, 94.712, 94.716, 94.719, 45

94.723, 94.728, 94.733, 94.770, 94.775, 94.777 and 94.780 to the extent that those statutes are consistent with any governing documents. If the governing documents do not provide for the formation of an association, the requirements of this subsection are not effective until the formation of an association in accordance with paragraph (b) of this subsection. If a provision of the governing documents is inconsistent with this subsection, the owners may amend the governing documents using the procedures in this subsection:

7 (A) In accordance with the procedures for the adoption of amendments in the governing documents and subject to any limitations in the governing documents, the owners may amend the in-8 9 consistent provisions of the governing documents to conform to the extent feasible with this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590, 94.595 [(6) to (10)] (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.630 (1), (3) and (4), 94.640, 94.645, 10 94.647, 94.650, 94.655, 94.657, 94.658, 94.660, 94.662, 94.665, 94.670, 94.675, 94.680, 94.690, 94.695, 11 12 94.704, 94.709, 94.712, 94.716, 94.719, 94.723, 94.728, 94.733, 94.770, 94.775, 94.777 and 94.780. Nothing 13 in this paragraph requires the owners to amend a declaration or bylaws to include the information required by ORS 94.580 or 94.635. 14

15 (B) If there are no procedures for amendment in the governing documents:

(i) For an amendment to a recorded governing document other than bylaws, the owners may
amend the inconsistent provisions of the document to conform to this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590,
94.595 [(6) to (10)] (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.630 (1), (3) and (4), 94.640, 94.645, 94.647, 94.650, 94.655, 94.657,
94.658, 94.660, 94.662, 94.665, 94.670, 94.675, 94.680, 94.690, 94.695, 94.704, 94.709, 94.712, 94.716,
94.719, 94.723, 94.728, 94.733, 94.770, 94.775, 94.777 and 94.780 by a vote of at least 75 percent of the
owners in the planned community.

(ii) For an amendment to the bylaws, the owners may amend the inconsistent provisions of the
bylaws to conform to this section and ORS 94.550, 94.590, 94.595 [(6) to (10)] (5) to (9), 94.625, 94.630
(1), (3) and (4), 94.640, 94.645, 94.647, 94.650, 94.655, 94.657, 94.658, 94.660, 94.662, 94.665, 94.670,
94.675, 94.680, 94.690, 94.695, 94.704, 94.709, 94.712, 94.716, 94.719, 94.723, 94.728, 94.733, 94.770,
94.775, 94.777 and 94.780 by a vote of at least a majority of the owners in the planned community.

(iii) An amendment may be adopted at a meeting held in accordance with the governing documents or by another procedure permitted by the governing documents following the procedures
prescribed in ORS 94.647, 94.650 or 94.660.

(iv) An amendment to a recorded declaration shall be executed, certified and recorded as provided in ORS 94.590 (2) and (3) and shall be subject to ORS 94.590 (5). An amendment to the bylaws and any other governing document shall be executed and certified as provided in ORS 94.590 (3) and shall be recorded in the office of the recording officer of every county in which the planned community is located if the bylaws or other governing document to which the amendment relates were recorded.

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(C) An amendment adopted pursuant to this paragraph shall include:

(i) A reference to the recording index numbers and date of recording of the declaration or other
 governing document, if recorded, to which the amendment relates; and

(ii) A statement that the amendment is adopted pursuant to the applicable subparagraph of thisparagraph.

(b)(A) If the governing documents do not provide for the formation of an association of owners, at least 10 percent of the owners in the planned community or any governing entity may initiate the formation of an association as provided in this paragraph. The owners or the governing entity initiating the association formation shall call an organizational meeting for the purpose of voting whether to form an association described in ORS 94.625. The notice of the meeting shall:

1 (i) Name the initiating owners or governing entity;

2 (ii) State that the organizational meeting is for the purpose of voting whether to form an asso-3 ciation in accordance with the proposed articles of incorporation;

4 (iii) State that if the owners vote to form an association, the owners may elect the initial board 5 of directors provided for in the articles of incorporation and may adopt the initial bylaws;

6 (iv) State that to form an association requires an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the 7 owners in the planned community, or, if a larger percentage is specified in the applicable governing 8 document, the larger percentage;

9 (v) State that to adopt articles of incorporation, to elect the initial board of directors pursuant 10 to the articles of incorporation or to adopt the initial bylaws requires an affirmative vote of at least 11 a majority of the owners present;

(vi) State that if the initial board of directors is not elected, an interim board of directors shall
be elected pursuant to bylaws adopted as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph;

(vii) State that a copy of the proposed articles of incorporation and bylaws will be available at
 least five business days before the meeting and state the method of requesting a copy; and

(viii) Be delivered in accordance with the declaration and bylaws. If there is no governing document or the document does not include applicable provisions, the owners or governing entity shall
follow the procedures prescribed in ORS 94.650 [(3)] (4).

(B) At least five business days before the organizational meeting, the initiating owners or governing entity shall cause articles of incorporation and bylaws to be drafted. The bylaws shall include, to the extent applicable, the information required by ORS 94.635.

22 (C) At the organizational meeting:

(i) Representatives of the initiating owners or governing entity shall, to the extent not incon sistent with the governing documents, conduct the meeting according to Robert's Rules of Order as
 provided in ORS 94.657.

(ii) The initiating owners or governing entity shall make available copies of the proposed articles of incorporation and the proposed bylaws.

(iii) The affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners of a planned community, or, if a
larger percentage is specified in the applicable governing document, the larger percentage, is required to form an association under this paragraph.

(iv) If the owners vote to form an association, the owners shall adopt articles of incorporation and may elect the initial board of directors as provided in the articles of incorporation, adopt bylaws and conduct any other authorized business by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners present. If the owners do not elect the initial board of directors, owners shall elect an interim board of directors by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the owners present to serve until the initial board of directors is elected.

(v) An owner may vote by proxy, or by written ballot, if approved, in the discretion of a majority
 of the initiating owners or governing entity.

(D) Not later than 10 business days after the organizational meeting, the board of directorsshall:

(i) Cause the articles of incorporation to be filed with the Secretary of State under ORS chapter
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(ii) Cause the notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be
 prepared, executed and recorded in accordance with subsection (4) of this section;

45 (iii) Provide a copy of the notice of planned community to each owner, together with a copy of

1 the adopted articles of incorporation and bylaws, if any, or a statement of the procedure and method

2 for adoption of bylaws described in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph. The copies and any state-3 ment shall be delivered to each lot, mailed to the mailing address of each lot or mailed to the 4 mailing addresses designated by the owners in writing; and

5 (iv) Cause a statement of association information to be prepared, executed and recorded in ac-6 cordance with ORS 94.667.

7 (E) If the owners vote to form an association, all costs incurred under this paragraph, including 8 but not limited to the preparation and filing of the articles of incorporation, drafting of bylaws, 9 preparation of notice of meeting and the drafting, delivery and recording of all notices and state-10 ments shall be a common expense of the owners and shall be allocated as provided in the appropri-11 ate governing document or any amendment thereto.

(2)(a) The owners of lots in a Class I or Class II planned community that are subject to the provisions of ORS chapter 94 specified in subsection (1) of this section may elect to be subject to any other provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783 upon compliance with the procedures prescribed in subsection (1) of this section.

(b) If the owners of lots in a Class I or Class II planned community elect to be subject to additional provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783, unless the notice of planned community otherwise required or permitted under subsection (4) of this section includes a statement of the election pursuant to this paragraph, the board of directors of the association shall cause the notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be prepared, executed and recorded in accordance with subsection (4) of this section.

(3)(a) The owners of lots in a Class III planned community created before January 1, 2002, may
 elect to be subject to provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783 upon compliance with the applicable pro cedures in subsection (1) of this section.

(b) If the owners of lots in a Class III planned community elect to be subject to provisions of ORS 94.550 to 94.783, the board of directors of the association shall cause the notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be prepared, executed and recorded in accordance with subsection (4) of this section.

29 (4) The notice of planned community required or permitted by this section shall be:

30 (a) Titled "Notice of Planned Community under ORS 94.572";

31 (b) Executed by the president and secretary of the association; and

(c) Recorded in the office of the recording officer of every county in which the property is lo-cated.

34 (5) The notice of planned community shall include:

(a) The name of the planned community and association as identified in the recorded declaration,
 conditions, covenants and restrictions or other governing document and, if different, the current
 name of the association;

(b) A list of the properties, described as required for recordation in ORS 93.600, within the ju risdiction of the association;

40 (c) Information identifying the recorded declaration, conditions, covenants and restrictions or
41 other governing documents and a reference to the recording index numbers and date of recording
42 of the governing documents;

(d) A statement that the property described in accordance with paragraph (b) of this subsection
is subject to specific provisions of the Oregon Planned Community Act;

45 (e) A reference to the specific provisions of the Oregon Planned Community Act that apply to

the subject property and a reference to the subsection of this section under which the application 1

2 is made; and

(f) If an association is formed under subsection (1)(b)(A) of this section, a statement to that ef-3 fect. 4

 $\mathbf{5}$ (6) An amended statement shall include a reference to the recording index numbers and the date of recording of prior statements. 6

(7) The county clerk may charge a fee for recording a statement under this section according 7 to the provisions of ORS 205.320 (4). 8

9 (8) The board of directors of an association not otherwise required to cause a notice of planned community described in subsection (4) of this section to be prepared and recorded under this section 10 may cause a notice of planned community to be prepared, executed and recorded as provided in 11 12 subsection (4) of this section.

13 (9) Title to a unit, lot or common property in a Class I or Class II planned community created before January 1, 2002, may not be rendered unmarketable or otherwise affected by a failure of the 14 15planned community to be in compliance with a requirement of this section.

16(10) As used in this section:

(a) "Governing entity" means an incorporated or unincorporated association, committee, person 17 18 or any other entity that has authority, under a governing document, to maintain commonly maintained property, impose assessments on lots or to act on behalf of lot owners within the planned 19 20community on matters of common concern.

(b) "Recorded declaration" means an instrument recorded with the county recording officer of 2122the county in which the planned community is located that contains conditions, covenants and re-23strictions binding lots in the planned community or imposes servitudes upon the real property.

SECTION 34. ORS 100.410 is amended to read: 24

25100.410. (1) The declarant shall adopt on behalf of the association of unit owners the initial bylaws that govern the administration of the condominium. The bylaws shall be recorded simultane-2627ously with the declaration as an exhibit or as a separate instrument.

(2) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, amendments to the bylaws may be 28proposed by a majority of the board of directors or by at least 30 percent of the owners. 29

30 (3) Subject to subsections (4) and (5) of this section and ORS 100.415 [(20)] (1)(t), an amendment 31 of the bylaws is not effective unless the amendment is:

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(a) Approved by at least a majority of the unit owners; and

(b) Certified by the chairperson and secretary of the association of unit owners as being adopted 33 34 in accordance with the bylaws and the provisions of this section, acknowledged in the manner pro-35 vided for acknowledgment of instruments and recorded.

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(4) In condominiums that are exclusively residential:

37 (a) The bylaws may not provide that greater than a majority of the unit owners is required to amend the bylaws except for amendments relating to age restrictions, pet restrictions, limitations 38 on the number of persons who may occupy units and limitations on the rental or leasing of units. 39

(b) An amendment relating to a matter specified in paragraph (a) of this subsection is not ef-40 fective unless approved by at least 75 percent of the owners or a greater percentage specified in the 41 bylaws. 42

(5) The bylaws may not be amended to limit or diminish any special declarant right without the 43 consent of the declarant. However, the declarant may waive the declarant's right of consent. 44

(6)(a) For five years after the recording of the initial bylaws, before any amended bylaw may 45

be recorded, the amended bylaw must be approved by the Real Estate Commissioner. The commis-1

2 sioner shall approve such amendment if the requirements of ORS 100.415 and this section have been satisfied. 3

(b) The approval by the commissioner under paragraph (a) of this subsection is not required for 4 bylaws restated under subsection (10) of this section unless the bylaws are restated during the 5 five-year period after the recording of the initial bylaws. 6

(7) Before the commissioner approves amended bylaws or restated bylaws under this section, the 7 person submitting the amended bylaws or restated bylaws shall pay to the commissioner the fee 8 9 provided by ORS 100.670.

(8) Notwithstanding a provision in the bylaws, including bylaws adopted prior to July 14, 2003, 10 that requires an amendment to be executed, or executed and acknowledged, by all owners approving 11 12 the amendment, amendments to the bylaws under this section become effective after approval by the 13 owners if executed and certified on behalf of the association by the chairperson and secretary in accordance with subsection (3)(b) of this section. 14

15(9) An amendment to the bylaws must be conclusively presumed to have been regularly adopted in compliance with all applicable procedures relating to the amendment unless an action is brought 16 within one year after the effective date of the amendment or the face of the amendment indicates 17 18 that the amendment received the approval of fewer votes than required for the approval. Nothing 19 in this subsection prevents the further amendment of an amended bylaw.

20(10)(a) The board of directors, by resolution and without the further approval of unit owners, may cause restated bylaws to be prepared and recorded to codify individual amendments that have 2122been adopted in accordance with this section.

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(b) Bylaws restated under this subsection must:

(A) Include all previously adopted amendments that are in effect, state that the amendments 24 25were approved by the commissioner as required under this section and state that no other changes were made except, if applicable, to correct scriveners' errors or to conform format and style; 26

27(B) Include a statement that the board of directors has adopted a resolution in accordance with paragraph (a) of this subsection and is causing the bylaws to be restated and recorded under this 2829subsection;

30 (C) Include a reference to the recording index numbers and date of recording of the initial by-31 laws and all previously recorded amendments that are in effect and are being codified;

32(D) Include a certification by the chairperson and secretary of the association that the restated bylaws include all previously adopted amendments that are in effect, that amendments were ap-33 34 proved by the commissioner if required under this section and that no other changes were made except, if applicable, to correct scriveners' errors or to conform format and style; 35

(E) Be executed and acknowledged by the chairperson and secretary of the association and re-36 37 corded in the deed records of each county in which the condominium is located; and

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(F) If required under subsection (6) of this section, be approved by the commissioner.

(c) The board of directors shall cause a copy of the recorded restated bylaws, including the re-39 40 cording information, to be filed with the commissioner.

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SECTION 35. ORS 100.640 is amended to read:

100.640. The following documents and information shall be submitted to the Real Estate Com-42 missioner as part of the filing required under ORS 100.635: 43

(1) A copy of the proposed or recorded declaration or supplemental declaration of condominium 44 ownership drawn in conformance with ORS 100.105 or 100.120, or the law applicable in the state 45

1 where the condominium was created;

2 (2) A copy of the proposed or recorded bylaws drawn in conformance with ORS 100.415 or the 3 law applicable in the state where the condominium was created;

4 (3) A copy of the full size plat prepared in conformance with ORS 100.115 (2) or the law appli-5 cable in the state where the condominium was created, or a copy of the site plan;

6 (4) A statement from the county assessor or county surveyor that the name for the condominium 7 is acceptable under ORS 100.105 (6);

(5) A copy of a preliminary title report, title insurance policy or condominium guarantee that
has been issued within the preceding 30 days, including a map showing the location of property described in the report, policy or guarantee or other evidence of title satisfactory to the commissioner;
(6) A copy of all restrictive covenants, reservations or other documents that may create an
encumbrance on or limit the use of the property other than those restrictions contained in the

13 declaration or bylaws;

(7) A copy of the reserve study required by ORS 100.175 and other sources of information that
 serve as a basis for calculating reserves in accordance with ORS 100.175 [(3)], unless the information
 is contained in the disclosure statement;

17 (8) The following sample forms:

(a) Unit sales agreement, including the notice to purchaser of cancellation rights in accordance
with ORS 100.730 and 100.740, the statement required by ORS 93.040 (1) and any warranty required
under ORS 100.185; and

21 (b) A receipt for documents required under ORS 100.725;

22 (9) If required by ORS 100.680:

(a) A copy of the escrow agreement drawn in conformance with ORS 100.680 and executed by
both the declarant and the escrow agent. If individual escrow agreements or instructions are to be
executed by the purchaser, other than the standard escrow instruction required by the escrow agent,
submit sample form and a letter from the escrow agent, agreeing to the establishment of the escrows
and the procedure set forth in the sample form; and

28 (b) A unit sales agreement drawn in conformance with ORS 100.680;

29 (10) If any of the sales will be by means of an installment contract of sale:

(a) A copy of the escrow agreement or escrow instructions executed by the developer and the
 escrow agent providing for the establishment of collection escrows and the deposit of documents in
 accordance with ORS 100.720; and

33 (b) The proposed installment contract of sale form, if available;

34 (11) Any other documents by which the purchasers will be bound;

(12) Any report or disclosure statement issued for the condominium, by the federal government
 and any other state; and

(13) A statement of any additional facts or information which the developer desires to submit
 to the commissioner.

SECTION 36. ORS 100.655 is amended to read:

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40 100.655. (1) The disclosure statement submitted to the Real Estate Commissioner as part of a 41 filing under ORS 100.635 shall contain the following information:

42 (a) The name and address of the condominium, and the name, address and telephone number of43 the developer;

44 (b) A general narrative description of the condominium stating the total number of units, a de-45 scription of the types of units, the total number of units that may be included in the condominium

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1	pursuant to ORS 100.105 (2), and a precise statement of the nature of the interest which is being
2	offered;
3	(c) If at the time of filing:
4	(A) The construction of the project is not completed, general disclosure of the status of con-
5	struction and the actual or scheduled dates of completion of buildings, recreational facilities and
6	other common elements, including a statement describing any recreational facilities or improvements
7	to the common elements that the developer reserves the right to develop or promises to develop, or
8	a statement that there are no such facilities or improvements; or
9	(B) The construction of the project is completed, the actual dates of completion of buildings,
10	recreational facilities and other common elements if known by the developer;
11	(d) The nature and significant terms of any financing offered by the developer to purchasers of
12	the condominium units;
13	(e) Copies of any warranties for structural elements and mechanical and other systems or a brief
14	description of such warranties;
15	(f)(A) A current or projected budget of the association of unit owners for the operation and
16	maintenance and any other common expenses of the condominium, including an amount for a subsidy
17	of the association by the declarant, if any, by a contribution of funds, goods or services;
18	(B) A brief statement of the method of determining liability for common expenses and the right
19	to common profits; and
20	(C) The following notice in at least 12-point type that is either all capitals or boldface:
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23	NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS
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25	THE PROJECTION OF THE BUDGET OF THE ASSOCIATION OF UNIT OWNERS FOR THE
26	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AND OTHER COMMON EXPENSES OF THE CONDOMIN-
27	IUM IS ONLY AN ESTIMATE, PREPARED WITH DUE CARE.
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30	(g) If a provision for reserves under ORS 100.175 is included in the budget disclosed under par-
31	agraph (f) of this subsection:
32	(A) A statement identifying the information constituting the basis for the reserve assessment
33	under ORS 100.175 [(3)(b)]; and
34	(B) A statement that the information constituting the basis for the reserve assessment identified
35	under ORS 100.175 $[(3)(b)]$ is available for review upon written request to the declarant or the des-
36	ignated person, unless included in the disclosure statement;
37	(h) In the case of a conversion condominium, a statement of:
38	(A) The present condition of all structural components and major mechanical and utility instal-
39	lations in the condominium, including the approximate date of construction and a reasonable esti-
40	mate of the remaining useful life of, at a minimum, the roof, siding, plumbing, electrical, HVAC
41	system, asphalt, sidewalks and decks;
42	(B) Whether or not the assessment of conditions under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph,
43	which shall be in at least 12-point type that is all capitals or boldface, was prepared by a licensed
44	engineer, architect or home inspector; and
45	(C) The statutory procedure required to create a conversion condominium;

1 (i) A cross-reference to the portions of the declaration, any supplemental declaration and bylaws 2 containing the general power and authority of the board of directors, the method of apportionment 3 of voting rights among the members of the association of unit owners and a statement of the nature 4 and extent of control of the board of directors retained by the developer by voting rights or other-5 wise;

6 (j) A list of the documents by which purchasers may be bound, including the declaration, bylaws, 7 ground leases, management agreement, easements, covenants, restrictions and conditions;

8 (k) A statement of whether there are any restrictions on alienation of units or any use or oc-9 cupancy restrictions, such as limitations on residential or commercial use, pets, age of occupants 10 or number of occupants, and a cross-reference to those portions of the declaration, any supplemental 11 declaration, bylaws or any other document containing the principal provisions relating to those re-12 strictions; and

13 (L) If the condominium is a staged condominium:

(A) Whether the declarant reserves the right to annex additional property to the condominium
 pursuant to ORS 100.125 and, if so:

16 (i) The maximum number of units;

17 (ii) The date after which annexation right terminates;

(iii) The description of additional common elements declarant reserves right to annex to the
 property and whether such common elements might substantially increase the proportionate amount
 of common expenses by current unit owners; and

(iv) The effect of annexation of additional units on allocation of interest in the common elementsand voting rights.

(B) If the condominium or any stage being filed under ORS 100.635 contains or may contain any
variable property, a statement of the rights reserved by the declarant under ORS 100.150 (1) and the
results specified in ORS 100.155 if such rights are not exercised.

(2) In lieu of the disclosure statement required under subsection (1) of this section, the commissioner may accept a disclosure report issued or approved by another state or governmental agency.

29 (3) No disclosure statement is required for condominiums described in ORS 100.660.

(4) The declarant is not liable to the association or the owners with respect to a statement of
 condition or estimate of useful life contained in the disclosure statement if:

(a) The declarant did not have actual knowledge of any inaccuracies in the statement at the
 time of delivery of the disclosure statement to the purchaser; and

(b) The declarant relied upon reports prepared by licensed engineers or architects in making the
 statement or, if the condominium has four or fewer units, reports prepared by licensed engineers,
 architects or home inspectors.

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