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- 1 AN ACT Relating to foreclosures on deeds of trust; amending RCW
- 2 61.24.130, 61.24.010, 61.24.040, and 61.24.060; adding new sections to
- 3 chapter 61.24 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an expiration
- 4 date.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 61.24 RCW 7 to read as follows:
 - (1)(a) A mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent may not file a notice of default under RCW 61.24.030(7) until thirty days after contact is made as required under (b) of this subsection or thirty days after satisfying the due diligence requirements as described in subsection (5) of this section.
- 13 (b) A mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall contact the
 14 borrower in person or by telephone in order to assess the borrower's
 15 financial situation and explore options for the borrower to avoid
 16 foreclosure. During the initial contact, the mortgagee, beneficiary,
 17 or authorized agent shall advise the borrower that he or she has the
 18 right to request a subsequent meeting and, if requested, the mortgagee,
 19 beneficiary, or authorized agent shall schedule the meeting to occur

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within fourteen days. The assessment of the borrower's financial situation and a discussion of options may occur during the first contact or at the subsequent meeting scheduled for that purpose. In either case, the borrower must be provided the toll-free telephone number made available by the department to find a department-certified housing counseling agency. Any meeting may occur telephonically.

- (2) A notice of default filed under RCW 61.24.030(7) must include a declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent that it has contacted the borrower, it has tried with due diligence to contact the borrower as required under this section, or the borrower has surrendered the property to the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent.
- (3) A mortgagee's, beneficiary's, or authorized agent's loss mitigation personnel may participate by telephone during any contact required under this section.
- (4) A borrower may designate a department-certified housing counseling agency, attorney, or other advisor to discuss with the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent, on the borrower's behalf, options for the borrower to avoid foreclosure. The contact made at the direction of the borrower must satisfy the contact requirements of subsection (1)(b) of this section. Any deed of trust modification or workout plan offered at the meeting by the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent is subject to approval by the borrower.
- (5) A notice of default may be filed under RCW 61.24.030(7) if a mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent has not contacted a borrower as required under subsection (1)(b) of this section and the failure to contact the borrower occurred despite the due diligence of the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent. Due diligence requires the following:
- (a) A mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall first attempt to contact a borrower by sending a first-class letter that includes the toll-free telephone number made available by the department to find a department-certified housing counseling agency.
- (b)(i) After the letter has been sent, the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall attempt to contact the borrower by telephone at least three times at different hours and on different days. Telephone calls must be made to the primary telephone number on file.

(ii) A mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent may attempt to contact a borrower using an automated system to dial borrowers if the telephone call, when answered, is connected to a live representative of the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent.

- (iii) A mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent satisfies the telephone contact requirements of this subsection (5)(b) if the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent determines, after attempting contact under this subsection (5)(b), that the borrower's primary telephone number and secondary telephone number or numbers on file, if any, have been disconnected.
- (c) If the borrower does not respond within two weeks after the telephone call requirements of (b) of this subsection have been satisfied, the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall send a certified letter, with return receipt requested.
 - (d) The mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall provide a means for the borrower to contact the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent in a timely manner, including a toll-free telephone number that will provide access to a live representative during business hours.
 - (e) The mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall post a prominent link on the home page of the mortgagee's, beneficiary's, or authorized agent's internet web site, if any, to the following information:
 - (i) Options that may be available to borrowers who are unable to afford their mortgage payments and who wish to avoid foreclosure, and instructions to borrowers advising them on steps to take to explore those options;
 - (ii) A list of financial documents borrowers should collect and be prepared to present to the mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent when discussing options for avoiding foreclosure;
- 31 (iii) A toll-free telephone number for borrowers who wish to 32 discuss options for avoiding foreclosure with their mortgagee, 33 beneficiary, or authorized agent; and
 - (iv) The toll-free telephone number made available by the department to find a department-certified housing counseling agency.
- 36 (6) Subsections (1) and (5) of this section do not apply if any of the following occurs:

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- 1 (a) The borrower has surrendered the property as evidenced by 2 either a letter confirming the surrender or delivery of the keys to the 3 property to the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent;
 - (b) The borrower has contracted with an organization, person, or entity whose primary business is advising people who have decided to leave their homes on how to extend the foreclosure process and avoid their contractual obligations to mortgagees or beneficiaries; or
- 8 (c) The borrower has filed for bankruptcy, and the proceedings have not been finalized.
- 10 (7) This section applies only to deeds of trust made from January 11 1, 2003, to December 31, 2007, inclusive, that are secured by 12 residential real property and are for owner-occupied residences. For 13 purposes of this subsection, "owner-occupied" means that the residence 14 is the principal residence of the borrower.
 - (8) As used in this section:

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- 16 (a) "Borrower" includes a mortgagor or trustor.
- 17 (b) "Department" means the United States department of housing and 18 urban development.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 61.24 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) The legislature finds and declares that any duty that servicers may have to maximize net present value under their pooling and servicing agreements is owed to all parties in a deed of trust pool, not to any particular parties, and that a servicer acts in the best interests of all parties if it agrees to or implements a deed of trust modification or workout plan for which both of the following apply:
 - (a) The deed of trust is in payment default, or payment default is reasonably foreseeable; and
- 29 (b) Anticipated recovery under the deed of trust modification or 30 workout plan exceeds the anticipated recovery through foreclosure on a 31 net present value basis.
- 32 (2) The mortgagee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall offer the 33 borrower a deed of trust modification or workout plan if the 34 modification or plan is consistent with its contractual or other 35 authority.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 61.24 RCW to read as follows:

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(1) Upon posting a notice of sale under RCW 61.24.040, a trustee or authorized agent shall also post the following notice, in the manner required for posting the notice of sale on the property to be sold, and a mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent shall mail at the same time in an envelope addressed to the "Resident of property subject to foreclosure sale" the following notice:

9 "The foreclosure process has begun on this property, which may 10 affect your right to continue to live in this property. Twenty days or more after the date of this notice, this property may be sold at 11 12 foreclosure. If you are renting this property, the new property owner 13 may either give you a new lease or rental agreement or provide you with 14 a sixty-day eviction notice. However, other laws may prohibit an 15 eviction in this circumstance or provide you with a longer notice 16 before eviction. You may wish to contact a lawyer or your local legal 17 aid or housing counseling agency to discuss any rights that you may 18 have."

- 19 (2) This section applies only to deeds of trust secured by 20 residential real property, and if the billing address for the mortgage 21 note is different than the property address.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 61.24 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) A tenant or subtenant in possession of a rental housing unit at the time the property is sold in foreclosure must be given sixty days' written notice before the tenant or subtenant may be removed from the property as prescribed in chapter 59.12 RCW. The rent of the tenant or subtenant must be prorated if the tenant or subtenant has paid all rent amounts due and the tenant or subtenant vacates before the expiration of any month.
- 31 (2) This section does not apply if a party to the note remains on 32 the property as a tenant, subtenant, or occupant.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Sections 3 and 4 of this act do not affect any local just cause eviction ordinance or affect the authority of a public entity that otherwise exists to regulate or monitor the basis for eviction.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Sections 3 and 4 of this act apply only to the foreclosure of a nonowner-occupied one-to-four family residence, condominium unit, residential cooperative unit, residential unit in any other type of planned unit development, or manufactured home in which title has been eliminated under RCW 65.20.040.

Sec. 7. RCW 61.24.130 and 2008 c 153 s 5 are each amended to read 7 as follows:

- (1) Nothing contained in this chapter shall prejudice the right of the borrower, grantor, any guarantor, or any person who has an interest in, lien, or claim of lien against the property or some part thereof, to restrain, on any proper legal or equitable ground, a trustee's sale. The court shall require as a condition of granting the restraining order or injunction that the applicant pay to the clerk of the court the sums that would be due on the obligation secured by the deed of trust if the deed of trust was not being foreclosed:
- (a) In the case of default in making the periodic payment of principal, interest, and reserves, such sums shall be the periodic payment of principal, interest, and reserves paid to the clerk of the court every thirty days.
- (b) In the case of default in making payment of an obligation then fully payable by its terms, such sums shall be the amount of interest accruing monthly on said obligation at the nondefault rate, paid to the clerk of the court every thirty days.

In the case of default in performance of any nonmonetary obligation secured by the deed of trust, the court shall impose such conditions as it deems just.

In addition, the court may condition granting the restraining order or injunction upon the giving of security by the applicant, in such form and amount as the court deems proper, for the payment of such costs and damages, including attorneys' fees, as may be later found by the court to have been incurred or suffered by any party by reason of the restraining order or injunction. The court may consider, upon proper showing, the grantor's equity in the property in determining the amount of said security.

(2) No court may grant a restraining order or injunction to restrain a trustee's sale unless the person seeking the restraint gives five days notice to the trustee of the time when, place where, and the

judge before whom the application for the restraining order or injunction is to be made. This notice shall include copies of all pleadings and related documents to be given to the judge. No judge may act upon such application unless it is accompanied by proof, evidenced by return of a sheriff, the sheriff's deputy, or by any person eighteen years of age or over who is competent to be a witness, that the notice has been served on the trustee.

- (3) If the restraining order or injunction is dissolved after the date of the trustee's sale set forth in the notice as provided in RCW 61.24.040(1)(f), the court granting such restraining order or injunction, or before whom the order or injunction is returnable, shall, at the request of the trustee, set a new sale date which shall be not less than forty-five days from the date of the order dissolving the restraining order. The trustee shall:
- 15 (a) Comply with the requirements of RCW 61.24.040(1) (a) through (f) at least thirty days before the new sale date; and
 - (b) Cause a copy of the notice of trustee's sale as provided in RCW 61.24.040(1)(f) to be published in a legal newspaper in each county in which the property or any part thereof is situated once between the thirty-fifth and twenty-eighth day before the sale and once between the fourteenth and seventh day before the sale.
 - (4) If a trustee's sale has been stayed as a result of the filing of a petition in federal bankruptcy court and an order is entered in federal bankruptcy court granting relief from the stay or closing or dismissing the case, or discharging the debtor with the effect of removing the stay, the trustee may set a new sale date which shall not be less than forty-five days after the date of the bankruptcy court's order. The trustee shall:
- 29 (a) Comply with the requirements of RCW 61.24.040(1) (a) through 30 (f) at least thirty days before the new sale date; and
 - (b) Cause a copy of the notice of trustee's sale as provided in RCW 61.24.040(1)(f) to be published in a legal newspaper in each county in which the property or any part thereof is situated, once between the thirty-fifth and twenty-eighth day before the sale and once between the fourteenth and seventh day before the sale.
 - (5) Subsections (3) and (4) of this section are permissive only and do not prohibit the trustee from proceeding with a trustee's sale

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- following termination of any injunction or stay on any date to which such sale has been properly continued in accordance with RCW 61.24.040(6).
- 4 (6) The issuance of a restraining order or injunction shall not 5 prohibit the trustee from continuing the sale as provided in RCW 6 61.24.040(6).
- (7) Upon good cause shown to the court, a foreclosure sale may be 7 enjoined if the lender has not been responsive to a borrower's 8 documented, reasonable, and material requests. This subsection only 9 applies to a foreclosure sale of an owner-occupied one-to-four family 10 residence, condominium unit, residential cooperative unit, residential 11 unit in any other type of planned unit development, or manufactured 12 home in which title has been eliminated under RCW 65.20.040, which is 13 the principal residence of the borrower. 14
- 15 **Sec. 8.** RCW 61.24.010 and 2008 c 153 s 1 are each amended to read 16 as follows:
 - (1) The trustee of a deed of trust under this chapter shall be:
- 18 (a) Any domestic corporation incorporated under Title 23B, 30, 31, 32, or 33 RCW of which at least one officer is a Washington resident; 20 or
- 21 (b) Any title insurance company authorized to insure title to real 22 property under the laws of this state, or its agents; or
- 23 (c) Any attorney who is an active member of the Washington state 24 bar association at the time the attorney is named trustee; or
 - (d) Any professional corporation incorporated under chapter 18.100 RCW, any professional limited liability company formed under chapter 25.15 RCW, any general partnership, including limited liability partnerships, formed under chapter 25.04 RCW, all of whose shareholders, members, or partners, respectively, are either licensed attorneys or entities, provided all of the owners of those entities are licensed attorneys, or any domestic corporation wholly owned by any of the entities under this subsection (1)(d); or
- (e) Any agency or instrumentality of the United States government;
 or
- 35 (f) Any national bank, savings bank, or savings and loan 36 association chartered under the laws of the United States.

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- (2) The trustee may resign at its own election or be replaced by the beneficiary. The trustee shall give prompt written notice of its resignation to the beneficiary. The resignation of the trustee shall become effective upon the recording of the notice of resignation in each county in which the deed of trust is recorded. If a trustee is not appointed in the deed of trust, or upon the resignation, incapacity, disability, absence, or death of the trustee, or the election of the beneficiary to replace the trustee, the beneficiary shall appoint a trustee or a successor trustee. Upon recording the appointment of a successor trustee in each county in which the deed of trust is recorded, the successor trustee shall be vested with all powers of an original trustee.
- (3) The trustee or successor trustee shall have no fiduciary duty or fiduciary obligation to the grantor or other persons having an interest in the property subject to the deed of trust.
- 16 (4) The trustee or successor trustee shall act impartially between 17 the borrower, grantor, and beneficiary.
 - (5) The trustee or successor trustee must:

- (a) Act in the borrower's best interest and in the utmost good faith toward the borrower, and shall disclose any and all interests to the borrower including, but not limited to, interests that may lie with the lender that are used to facilitate a borrower's request. A trustee shall not accept, provide, or charge any undisclosed compensation or realize any undisclosed remuneration that inures to the benefit of the trustee on an expenditure made for the borrower;
 - (b) Carry out all lawful instructions provided by the borrower;
- 27 (c) Disclose to the borrower all material facts of which the
 28 trustee has knowledge that might reasonably affect the borrower's
 29 rights, interests, or ability to receive the borrower's intended
 30 benefit from the residential mortgage loan;
 - (d) Use reasonable care in performing duties; and
- (e) Provide an accounting to the borrower for all money and property received from the borrower.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A new section is added to chapter 61.24 RCW to read as follows:

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- 1 (1) The claims listed under this subsection may not be waived by 2 the failure of the borrower to bring a lawsuit to enjoin a foreclosure 3 sale under this chapter. Nonwaived claims include:
 - (a) Common law fraud and misrepresentation;
 - (b) A violation of RCW 19.144.080;

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- 6 (c) Damages against the lender that may be grounds for contractual rescission, if asserted in a timely manner before the foreclosure sale;
- 8 (d) Breach of duty of impartiality by a trustee under RCW 9 61.24.010(4);
 - (e) Breach of duty by a trustee under RCW 61.24.010(5); or
 - (f) Breach of duty by a lender under RCW 61.24.130(7).
- 12 (2) The nonwaived claims listed under subsection (1) of this 13 section may be (a) asserted in an unlawful detainer action brought by 14 the lender against the borrower as a holdover tenant or (b) 15 independently brought against a lender or trustee if a third party is 16 the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale.
- 17 (3) The nonwaived claims listed under subsection (1) of this 18 section must be asserted or brought within one year from the date of 19 the foreclosure sale.
- 20 (4) This section applies only to foreclosures of an owner-occupied 21 one-to-four family residence, condominium unit, residential cooperative 22 unit, residential unit in any other type of planned unit development, 23 or manufactured home in which title has been eliminated under RCW 24 65.20.040, which is the principal place of the borrower.
- 25 **Sec. 10.** RCW 61.24.040 and 2008 c 153 s 3 are each amended to read 26 as follows:

27 A deed of trust foreclosed under this chapter shall be foreclosed 28 as follows:

- (1) At least ninety days before the sale, the trustee shall:
- 30 (a) Record a notice in the form described in ((RCW 61.24.040(1)))(f) of this subsection in the office of the auditor in each county in which the deed of trust is recorded;
- 33 (b) To the extent the trustee elects to foreclose its lien or 34 interest, or the beneficiary elects to preserve its right to seek a 35 deficiency judgment against a borrower or grantor under RCW 36 61.24.100(3)(a), and if their addresses are stated in a recorded 37 instrument evidencing their interest, lien, or claim of lien, or an

amendment thereto, or are otherwise known to the trustee, cause a copy of the notice of sale described in ((RCW 61.24.040(1)))(f) of this subsection to be transmitted by both first-class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the following persons or their legal representatives, if any, at such address:

(i) The borrower and grantor;

- (ii) The beneficiary of any deed of trust or mortgagee of any mortgage, or any person who has a lien or claim of lien against the property, that was recorded subsequent to the recordation of the deed of trust being foreclosed and before the recordation of the notice of sale;
- (iii) The vendee in any real estate contract, the lessee in any lease, or the holder of any conveyances of any interest or estate in any portion or all of the property described in such notice, if that contract, lease, or conveyance of such interest or estate, or a memorandum or other notice thereof, was recorded after the recordation of the deed of trust being foreclosed and before the recordation of the notice of sale;
- (iv) The last holder of record of any other lien against or interest in the property that is subject to a subordination to the deed of trust being foreclosed that was recorded before the recordation of the notice of sale;
- 23 (v) The last holder of record of the lien of any judgment 24 subordinate to the deed of trust being foreclosed; and
 - (vi) The occupants of property consisting solely of a single-family residence, or a condominium, cooperative, or other dwelling unit in a multiplex or other building containing fewer than five residential units, whether or not the occupant's rental agreement is recorded, which notice may be a single notice addressed to "occupants" for each unit known to the trustee or beneficiary;
 - (c) Cause a copy of the notice of sale described in (($\Re CW$ 61.24.040(1)))(f) of this subsection to be transmitted by both first-class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the plaintiff or the plaintiff's attorney of record, in any court action to foreclose a lien or other encumbrance on all or any part of the property, provided a court action is pending and a list pendens in connection therewith is recorded in the office of the

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auditor of any county in which all or part of the property is located 1 2 on the date the notice is recorded; (d) Cause a copy of the notice of sale described in ((RCW 3 4 61.24.040(1))) (f) of this subsection to be transmitted by both first-5 class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to any person who has recorded a request for notice in 6 7 accordance with RCW 61.24.045, at the address specified in such 8 person's most recently recorded request for notice; (e) Cause a copy of the notice of sale described in ((RCW 9 10 61.24.040(1))) (f) of this subsection to be posted in a conspicuous place on the property, or in lieu of posting, cause a copy of said 11 12 notice to be served upon any occupant of the property; 13 (f) The notice shall be in substantially the following form: 14 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE I. 15

16 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee will on the

day of , at the hour of o'clock M. at 17 18 address and location if inside a building | in the City of , 19 20 State of Washington, sell at public auction to the highest and best 21 bidder, payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County(ies) of State of 22 23 Washington, to-wit:

> [If any personal property is to be included in the trustee's sale, include a description that reasonably identifies such personal property]

27 . . ., recorded under Auditor's File No. 28 29 records of County, Washington, from , as Grantor, to as Trustee, to secure an obligation in 30 favor of as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in 31 32 which was assigned by , under an Assignment recorded under Auditor's File No. . . . [Include recording information for 33 34 all counties if the Deed of Trust is recorded in more than one county.]

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No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now 36

pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust.

If there is another action pending to foreclose other security for all or part of the same debt, qualify the statement and identify the action.]

7 III.

- 8 The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows:
- 9 [If default is for other than payment of money, set forth the
- 10 particulars]
- 11 Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears:
- 12 IV.
- 13 The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is:
- 14 Principal \$, together with interest as provided in the note
- 16 and such other costs and fees as are due under the note or other
- instrument secured, and as are provided by statute.
- 18 V.
- 19 The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense
- 20 of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by
- 21 statute. The sale will be made without warranty, express or implied,
- 22 regarding title, possession, or encumbrances on the . . . day of
- 23 The default(s) referred to in paragraph III must be
- 24 cured by the . . . day of (11 days before the sale
- 25 date), to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be
- 26 discontinued and terminated if at any time on or before the . . . day
- 27 of (11 days before the sale date), the default(s)
- 28 as set forth in paragraph III is/are cured and the Trustee's fees and
- 29 costs are paid. The sale may be terminated any time after the
- 30 day of (11 days before the sale date), and before
- 31 the sale by the Borrower, Grantor, any Guarantor, or the holder of any
- 32 recorded junior lien or encumbrance paying the entire principal and
- interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees, and advances,
- 34 if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of
- 35 Trust, and curing all other defaults.

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2	A written notice of default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or	
3	Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following addresses:	
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6 7	by both first-class and certified mail on the day of	
8	proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee;	
9	and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served on the day	
10	of,, with said written notice of default or the	
11	written notice of default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real	
12 13	property described in paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting.	
14	VII.	
15 16 17	The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale.	
18	VIII.	
19 20 21	The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property.	
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2324252627	Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale.	
28	[Add Part X to this notice if applicable under RCW 61.24.040(9)]	
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31	, Trustee	
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1	} Address
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3 4	} Phone [Acknowledgment]
5	(2) In addition to providing the borrower and grantor the notice of
6	sale described in ((RCW 61.24.040)) subsection (1)(f) of this section,
7	the trustee shall include with the copy of the notice which is mailed
8	to the grantor, a statement to the grantor in substantially the
9	following form:
10	NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE
11	Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington,
12	Chapter 61.24 RCW
13	The attached Notice of Trustee's Sale is a consequence of
14	default(s) in the obligation to , the Beneficiary of your
15	Deed of Trust and owner of the obligation secured thereby. Unless the
16	default(s) is/are cured, your property will be sold at auction on the
17	day of
18	To cure the default(s), you must bring the payments current, cure
19	any other defaults, and pay accrued late charges and other costs,
20	advances, and attorneys' fees as set forth below by the day of
21	[11 days before the sale date]. To date, these
22	arrears and costs are as follows:
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12	Attorneys' fees:	\$	\$	
13	Trustee's fee:	\$	\$	
14	Trustee's expenses	: :		
15	(Itemization)			
16	Title report	\$	\$	
17	Recording fees	\$	\$	
18	Service/Posting			
19	of Notices	\$	\$	
20	Postage/Copying			
21	expense	\$	\$	
22	Publication	\$	\$	
23	Telephone		\$	
24	charges	\$		
25	Inspection fees	\$	\$	
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27		\$	\$	
28	TOTALS	\$	\$	
29	To pay off the entire of	bligation	secured by your De	ed of Trus
30	of the day of	yo	u must pay a total	of \$
31	in principal, \$ i	n interest	, plus other cost	s and adva
32	estimated to date in the am	mount of \$	From	and after

To pay off the entire obligation secured by your Deed of Trust as of the day of you must pay a total of \$. 31 in principal, \$. in interest, plus other costs and advances estimated to date in the amount of \$. From and after the date of this notice you must submit a written request to the Trustee to obtain the total amount to pay off the entire obligation secured by your Deed of Trust as of the payoff date.

As to the defaults which do not involve payment of money to the Beneficiary of your Deed of Trust, you must cure each such default. Listed below are the defaults which do not involve payment of money to the Beneficiary of your Deed of Trust. Opposite each such listed default is a brief description of the action necessary to cure the default and a description of the documentation necessary to show that the default has been cured.

8	Default	Description of Action Required to Cure and
9		Documentation Necessary to Show Cure
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You may reinstate your Deed of Trust and the obligation secured thereby at any time up to and including the day of , . . . [11 days before the sale date], by paying the amount set forth or estimated above and by curing any other defaults described above. course, as time passes other payments may become due, and any further payments coming due and any additional late charges must be added to your reinstating payment. Any new defaults not involving payment of money that occur after the date of this notice must also be cured in order to effect reinstatement. In addition, because some of the charges can only be estimated at this time, and because the amount necessary to reinstate or to pay off the entire indebtedness may include presently unknown expenditures required to preserve the property or to comply with state or local law, it will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. Tender of payment or performance must be made to: , whose address is , telephone (. AFTER THE DAY OF YOU MAY NOT REINSTATE YOUR DEED OF TRUST BY PAYING THE BACK PAYMENTS AND COSTS AND FEES AND CURING THE OTHER DEFAULTS AS OUTLINED ABOVE. The Trustee will respond to any written request for current payoff or reinstatement amounts within ten days of receipt of your written request. In such a

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case, you will only be able to stop the sale by paying, before the sale, the total principal balance (\$) plus accrued interest, costs and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the documents and by curing the other defaults as outlined above.

You may contest this default by initiating court action in the Superior Court of the county in which the sale is to be held. In such action, you may raise any legitimate defenses you have to this default. A copy of your Deed of Trust and documents evidencing the obligation secured thereby are enclosed. You may wish to consult a lawyer. Legal action on your part may prevent or restrain the sale, but only if you persuade the court of the merits of your defense.

The court may grant a restraining order or injunction to restrain a trustee's sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130 upon five days notice to the trustee of the time when, place where, and the judge before whom the application for the restraining order or injunction is to be made. This notice shall include copies of all pleadings and related documents to be given to the judge. Notice and other process may be served on the trustee at:

19	NAME:
20	ADDRESS:
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22	TELEPHONE NUMBER:

If you do not reinstate the secured obligation and your Deed of Trust in the manner set forth above, or if you do not succeed in restraining the sale by court action, your property will be sold. The effect of such sale will be to deprive you and all those who hold by, through or under you of all interest in the property;

- (3) In addition, the trustee shall cause a copy of the notice of sale described in ((RCW 61.24.040)) subsection (1)(f) of this section (excluding the acknowledgment) to be published in a legal newspaper in each county in which the property or any part thereof is situated, once on or between the thirty-fifth and twenty-eighth day before the date of sale, and once on or between the fourteenth and seventh day before the date of sale;
- 35 (4) On the date and at the time designated in the notice of sale, 36 the trustee or its authorized agent shall sell the property at public

auction to the highest bidder. The trustee may sell the property in gross or in parcels as the trustee shall deem most advantageous;

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- (5) The place of sale shall be at any designated public place within the county where the property is located and if the property is in more than one county, the sale may be in any of the counties where the property is located. The sale shall be on Friday, or if Friday is a legal holiday on the following Monday, and during the hours set by statute for the conduct of sales of real estate at execution;
- (6) The trustee has no obligation to, but may, for any cause the trustee deems advantageous, continue the sale for a period or periods not exceeding a total of one hundred twenty days by (a) a public proclamation at the time and place fixed for sale in the notice of sale and if the continuance is beyond the date of sale, by giving notice of the new time and place of the sale by both first class and either certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the persons specified in ((RCW 61.24.040)) subsection (1)(b)(i) and (ii) of this section to be deposited in the mail (i) not less than four days before the new date fixed for the sale if the sale is continued for up to seven days; or (ii) not more than three days after the date of the continuance by oral proclamation if the sale is continued for more than seven days, or, alternatively, (b) by giving notice of the time and place of the postponed sale in the manner and to the persons specified in ((RCW 61.24.040)) subsection (1)(b), (c), (d), and (e) of this <u>section</u> and publishing a copy of such notice once in the newspaper(s) described in ((RCW 61.24.040)) subsection (3) of this section, more than seven days before the date fixed for sale in the notice of sale. No other notice of the postponed sale need be given;
- (7) The purchaser shall forthwith pay the price bid and on payment the trustee shall execute to the purchaser its deed; the deed shall recite the facts showing that the sale was conducted in compliance with all of the requirements of this chapter and of the deed of trust, which recital shall be prima facie evidence of such compliance and conclusive evidence thereof in favor of bona fide purchasers and encumbrancers for value, except that these recitals shall not affect the lien or interest of any person entitled to notice under ((RCW 61.24.040)) subsection (1) of this section, if the trustee fails to give the required notice to such person. In such case, the lien or interest of such omitted person shall not be affected by the sale and such omitted person shall be

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treated as if such person was the holder of the same lien or interest and was omitted as a party defendant in a judicial foreclosure proceeding;

- (8) The sale as authorized under this chapter shall not take place less than one hundred ninety days from the date of default in any of the obligations secured;
- (9) If the trustee elects to foreclose the interest of any occupant or tenant of property comprised solely of a single-family residence, or a condominium, cooperative, or other dwelling unit in a multiplex or other building containing fewer than five residential units, the following notice shall be included as Part X of the Notice of Trustee's Sale:

13 X.

NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS

The purchaser at the trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants ((and)) who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants ((and)) who are not tenants by summary proceedings under ((the unlawful detainer act,)) chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with sixty days' written notice in accordance with section 4 of this act;

- (10) Only one copy of all notices required by this chapter need be given to a person who is both the borrower and the grantor. All notices required by this chapter that are given to a general partnership are deemed given to each of its general partners, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.
- **Sec. 11.** RCW 61.24.060 and 1998 c 295 s 8 are each amended to read 30 as follows:

The purchaser at the trustee's sale shall be entitled to possession of the property on the twentieth day following the sale, as against the grantor under the deed of trust and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants ((and)) who are not tenants, who were given all of the notices to which they were entitled under this chapter. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a

- 1 tenant with sixty days' written notice in accordance with section 4 of
- 2 <u>this act.</u> The purchaser shall also have a right to the summary
- 3 proceedings to obtain possession of real property provided in chapter
- 4 59.12 RCW.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 12.** If any provision of this act or its
- 6 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 7 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 8 persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 13.** Sections 1 through 6 of this act expires 10 January 1, 2013.

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