ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 309–ASSEMBLYWOMAN HANSEN

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises various provisions governing commoninterest communities and condominium hotels. (BDR 10-960)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to property rights; authorizing the use of electronic ballots for the election and removal of members of the executive board of a unit-owners' association of a common-interest community and for the election of delegates or representatives to exercise the voting rights of units' owners in an association; authorizing a member of the executive board who is subject to removal to submit a written request for a meeting of the executive board to discuss the member's removal; revising requirements concerning the provision of certain notices by an association; specifying that an association is authorized to conduct a vote for the election or removal of a member of the executive board without a meeting; authorizing an association that conducts a vote without a meeting to allow the units' owners to vote by using a voting machine; establishing requirements relating to the use of electronic voting for the election or removal of a member of the executive board without a meeting; authorizing money in the operating account of an association to be withdrawn without the usual required signatures for the purpose of making certain automatic and annual payments; requiring the Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels to adopt regulations establishing the requirements relating to the transfer of certain items upon the termination or assignment of a management agreement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.





Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law: (1) establishes the procedures for the election and removal of 2345678 members of the executive board of a unit-owners' association of a common-interest community and the election of delegates or representatives to exercise the voting rights of units' owners in certain common-interest communities; and (2) requires that the election and removal of such members, as applicable, be conducted by secret written ballot. (NRS 116.31034, 116.31036, 116.31105) Sections 1 and 2 of this bill, respectively, authorize the use of secret electronic ballots for the election or removal of any member of the executive board and require that the results of õ such ballots be reviewed, announced and entered into the record at a meeting of the 10 association. Section 4 of this bill makes conforming changes to provide the same 11 authority and impose the same requirement with regard to the election of delegates 12 13 or representatives to exercise the voting rights of units' owners. Section 2 additionally provides that, with regard to the removal of a member of the executive 14 board that will be voted on by secret ballot, the member who is the subject of the 15 removal may submit a written request for a meeting of the executive board, which 16 must occur before the meeting scheduled for a vote on the member's removal, at 17 which the removal will be discussed as an agenda item. Section 2 requires notice of 18 such a requested meeting to be given to the units' owners not later than 5 days after 19 receipt of the written request.

20Existing law requires, in general, any notice required to be given to a unit's 21 22 23 24 25 owner by an association and any communication from or other information provided by the association to be delivered to the mailing or electronic mail address designated by the unit's owner, unless the unit's owner has opted out of receiving electronic communications or has not designated an electronic mail address. (NRS 116.31068) Section 2.5 of this bill eliminates such requirements for notice with 26 27 28 29 30 respect to communications from and other information provided by the association and instead requires, with certain exceptions, such notices to be delivered to the electronic mail address that a unit's owner designates. Section 2.5 sets forth the manner in which an association is required to deliver such notices to a unit's owner who has opted out of receiving electronic notices or who has not designated an 31 electronic mail address at which to receive notices.

Existing law authorizes an association to conduct a vote without a meeting unless conducting a vote in such a manner is prohibited or limited by the declaration or bylaws of the association. (NRS 116.311) **Section 3** of this bill removes such an exception and specifies that an association is authorized to conduct a vote for the election or removal of a member of the executive board without a meeting.

38 Section 3 authorizes an association that conducts a vote without a meeting to 39 allow the units' owners to vote by using a voting machine that meets certain 40 requirements. Section 3 also provides that if an association conducts a vote for the 41 election or removal of a member of the executive board without a meeting and the 42 executive board chooses to use electronic voting: (1) the association is required to 43 send, within a certain time period, a paper ballot and a return envelope, prepaid by 44 United States mail, to any unit's owner who has opted out of receiving electronic 45 notices pursuant to section 2.5; (2) the association is required to send, within a 46 certain time period, an electronic ballot to any unit's owner who has designated an 47 electronic mail address at which to receive notices pursuant to section 2.5; (3) if the 48 association allows units' owners to vote by using a voting machine, the association 49 is required to provide to a unit's owner the opportunity to opt out of voting by using 50 a voting machine and instead receive a paper ballot; (4) a meeting of the units' 51 owners must be held to open and count the paper ballots and review and announce 52 the results obtained from the electronic ballots or voting machine and enter the 53 results into the meeting record; and (5) any electronic voting must be conducted by 54 an independent third-party who meets certain requirements.





55 Existing law generally prohibits money in the operating account of an 56 association from being withdrawn without the signatures of certain persons, but 57 also establishes certain purposes for which money in the operating account may be 58 withdrawn without such signatures. (NRS 116.31153) Section 5 of this bill 59 additionally provides that money in the operating account of an association may be 60 withdrawn without the usual required signatures for the purpose of making: (1) 61 automatic payments for the cost of certain insurance policies, telecommunications 62 services maintained by the association and services to the association that are billed 63 on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis; and (2) annual payments to the Office of 64 Ombudsman.

Existing law imposes certain requirements on community managers regarding the transfer of the possession of all books, records and other papers of a client upon the termination or assignment of a management agreement. (NRS 116A.620) Section 6 of this bill instead requires the Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels to adopt regulations establishing the requirements relating to such a transfer. Section 7 of this bill makes a conforming change to remove the provisions of existing law relating to such a transfer when the Commission has adopted the regulations required by section 6.
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73 Sections 8, 9, 9.5 and 10 of this bill generally replicate the changes made by 74 sections 1, 2, 2.5 and 3 in the corresponding provisions of law that apply to 75 condominium hotels. Section 11 of this bill replicates the existing provisions of and 76 changes made to section 5 and applies such provisions to condominium hotels.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 116.31034 is hereby amended to read as 2 follows:

3 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 of 116.31034 4 NRS 116.212, not later than the termination of any period of 5 declarant's control, the units' owners shall elect an executive board 6 of at least three members, all of whom must be units' owners. The 7 executive board shall elect the officers of the association. Unless 8 the governing documents provide otherwise, the officers of the association are not required to be units' owners. The members of the 9 executive board and the officers of the association shall take office 10 11 upon election.

12 2. The term of office of a member of the executive board may 13 not exceed 3 years, except for members who are appointed by the 14 declarant. Unless the governing documents provide otherwise, there 15 is no limitation on the number of terms that a person may serve as a 16 member of the executive board.

3. The governing documents of the association must provide for terms of office that are staggered in such a manner that, to the extent possible, an equal number of members of the executive board are elected at each election. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to:





1 (a) Members of the executive board who are appointed by the 2 declarant; and

3 (b) Members of the executive board who serve a term of 1 year 4 or less.

5 4. Not less than 30 days before the preparation of a ballot for 6 the election of members of the executive board, the secretary or 7 other officer specified in the bylaws of the association shall cause 8 notice to be given to each unit's owner of the unit's owner's 9 eligibility to serve as a member of the executive board. Each unit's owner who is qualified to serve as a member of the executive board 10 may have his or her name placed on the ballot along with the names 11 12 of the nominees selected by the members of the executive board or a 13 nominating committee established by the association.

14 5. Before the secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the association causes notice to be given to each unit's owner of 15 16 his or her eligibility to serve as a member of the executive board 17 pursuant to subsection 4, the executive board may determine that if, at the closing of the prescribed period for nominations for 18 19 membership on the executive board, the number of candidates 20 nominated for membership on the executive board is equal to or less 21 than the number of members to be elected to the executive board at 22 the election, then:

(a) The association will not prepare or [mail] *provide* any ballots
to units' owners pursuant to this section; and

(b) The nominated candidates shall be deemed to be duly elected
to the executive board at the meeting of the units' owners at which
the ballots would have been counted pursuant to paragraph (e) of
subsection 15.

6. If the executive board makes the determination set forth in subsection 5, the secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the association shall disclose the determination and the provisions of subsection 5 with the notice given pursuant to subsection 4.

33 If, at the closing of the prescribed period for nominations for 7. 34 membership on the executive board, the number of candidates 35 nominated for membership on the executive board is less than 36 the number of members to be elected to the executive board at the 37 election, the executive board may fill the remaining vacancies on the 38 executive board by appointment of the executive board at a meeting 39 of the executive board held after the candidates are elected pursuant 40 to subsection 5. Any such person appointed to the executive board 41 shall serve as a member of the executive board until the next 42 regularly scheduled election of members of the executive board. An 43 executive board member elected to a previously appointed position 44 which was temporarily filled by board appointment pursuant to this 45 subsection may only be elected to fulfill the remainder of that term.





8. If, at the closing of the prescribed period for nominations for membership on the executive board described in subsection 5, the number of candidates nominated for membership on the executive board is greater than the number of members to be elected to the executive board, then the association shall:

6 (a) Prepare and [mail] *provide* ballots to the units' owners 7 pursuant to this section; and

8 (b) Conduct an election for membership on the executive board 9 pursuant to this section.

10 9. Each person who is nominated as a candidate for 11 membership on the executive board pursuant to subsection 4 must:

(a) Make a good faith effort to disclose any financial, business,
professional or personal relationship or interest that would result or
would appear to a reasonable person to result in a potential conflict
of interest for the candidate if the candidate were to be elected to
serve as a member of the executive board; and

17 (b) Disclose whether the candidate is a member in good 18 standing. For the purposes of this paragraph, a candidate shall not be 19 deemed to be in "good standing" if the candidate has any unpaid and 20 past due assessments or construction penalties that are required to be 21 paid to the association.

22 → The candidate must make all disclosures required pursuant to this 23 subsection in writing to the association with his or her candidacy 24 information. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the 25 association shall distribute the disclosures, on behalf of the 26 candidate, to each member of the association with the ballot or, in 27 the event ballots are not prepared and [mailed] provided pursuant to 28 subsection 5, in the next regular mailing of the association. The 29 association is not obligated to distribute any disclosure pursuant to 30 this subsection if the disclosure contains information that is believed 31 to be defamatory, libelous or profane.

10. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 11 and 12,unless a person is appointed by the declarant:

(a) A person may not be a candidate for or member of the
 executive board or an officer of the association if:

(1) The person resides in a unit with, is married to, is
domestic partners with, or is related by blood, adoption or marriage
within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to another person
who is also a member of the executive board or is an officer of the
association;

41 (2) The person stands to gain any personal profit or 42 compensation of any kind from a matter before the executive board 43 of the association; or





1 (3) The person, the person's spouse or the person's parent or 2 child, by blood, marriage or adoption, performs the duties of a 3 community manager for that association.

4 (b) A person may not be a candidate for or member of the 5 executive board of a master association or an officer of that master 6 association if the person, the person's spouse or the person's parent 7 or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, performs the duties of a 8 community manager for:

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(1) That master association; or

10 (2) Any association that is subject to the governing 11 documents of that master association.

12 11. A person, other than a person appointed by the declarant, 13 who owns 75 percent or more of the units in an association may:

(a) Be a candidate for or member of the executive board or anofficer of the association; and

16 (b) Reside in a unit with, be married to, be domestic partners 17 with, or be related by blood, adoption or marriage within the third 18 degree of consanguinity or affinity to another person who is also a 19 member of the executive board or is an officer of the association,

20 \rightarrow unless the person owning 75 percent or more of the units in the 21 association and the other person would constitute a majority of the 22 total number of seats on the executive board.

12. A person, other than a person appointed by the declarant,may:

25 (a)

(a) Be a candidate for or member of the executive board; and

(b) Reside in a unit with, be married to, be domestic partners
with, or be related by blood, adoption or marriage within the third
degree of consanguinity or affinity to another person who is also a
member of the executive board or is an officer of the association,

30 \rightarrow if the number of candidates nominated for membership on the 31 executive board is less than or equal to the number of members to be 32 elected to the executive board.

13. If a person is not eligible to be a candidate for or member
of the executive board or an officer of the association pursuant to
any provision of this chapter, the association:

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(a) Must not place his or her name on the ballot; and

(b) Must prohibit such a person from serving as a member of theexecutive board or an officer of the association.

14. An officer, employee, agent or director of a corporate owner of a unit, a trustee or designated beneficiary of a trust that owns a unit, a partner of a partnership that owns a unit, a member or manager of a limited-liability company that owns a unit, and a fiduciary of an estate that owns a unit may be an officer of the association or a member of the executive board. In all events where the person serving or offering to serve as an officer of the





association or a member of the executive board is not the recordowner, the person shall file proof in the records of the associationthat:

4 (a) The person is associated with the corporate owner, trust, 5 partnership, limited-liability company or estate as required by this 6 subsection; and

7 (b) Identifies the unit or units owned by the corporate owner, 8 trust, partnership, limited-liability company or estate.

9 15. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 or NRS 10 **116.311** or 116.31105, the election of any member of the executive 11 board must be conducted by secret [written] ballot in the following 12 manner:

(a) The secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the
 association shall cause a secret *paper or electronic* ballot *to be provided to each unit's owner* and :

16 (1) If a paper ballot is provided, shall send the ballot and a 17 return envelope, [to be sent,] prepaid by United States mail, to the 18 mailing address of each unit within the common-interest community 19 or to any other mailing address designated in writing by the unit's 20 owner [.]; or

21 (2) If an electronic ballot is provided, shall provide the 22 ballot or make the ballot available by electronic means to each 23 unit's owner.

(b) Each unit's owner must be provided with at least 15 days
after the date the secret [written] ballot is mailed , *provided or made available* to the unit's owner to return the secret [written] ballot to
the association [.] by physical or electronic means.

(c) A quorum is not required for the election of any member ofthe executive board.

30 (d) Only the secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the 31 association *receives by physical or electronic means* may be 32 counted to determine the outcome of the election.

33 (e) [The secret written ballots must be opened and counted at] At the meeting of the units' owners held pursuant to subsection 1 of 34 35 NRS 116.3108 [-], the secret ballots physically received by the 36 association must be opened and counted and the results of the 37 secret ballots received by the association by electronic means must 38 be reviewed, announced and entered into the record. A quorum is 39 not required to be present when the secret [written] ballots 40 *physically received by the association* are opened and counted *or* the results of the secret ballots received by the association by 41 42 electronic means are reviewed, announced and entered into the 43 *record* at the meeting.

44 (f) The incumbent members of the executive board and each 45 person whose name is placed on the ballot as a candidate for





1 membership on the executive board may not possess, be given 2 access to or participate in the opening or counting of the secret 3 [written] ballots that [are returned to] the association *physically* receives, or the collection of data regarding the secret ballots that 4 5 the association receives by electronic means, before those secret [written] ballots have been opened and counted or reviewed, 6 announced and entered into the record, as applicable, at a meeting 7 8 of the association.

9 16. An association shall not adopt any rule or regulation that 10 has the effect of prohibiting or unreasonably interfering with a 11 candidate in the candidate's campaign for election as a member of 12 the executive board, except that the candidate's campaign may be 13 limited to 90 days before the date that ballots are required to be 14 returned to the association.

15 17. A candidate who has submitted a nomination form for 16 election as a member of the executive board may request that the 17 association or its agent either:

(a) Send before the date of the election and at the association's
expense, to the mailing address of each unit within the commoninterest community or to any other mailing address designated in
writing by the unit's owner a candidate informational statement. The
candidate informational statement:

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(1) Must be no longer than a single, typed page;

24 (2) Must not contain any defamatory, libelous or profane 25 information; and

26 (3) May be sent with [the] *a* secret ballot mailed pursuant to
27 subsection 15 or in a separate mailing; or

(b) To allow the candidate to communicate campaign material directly to the units' owners, provide to the candidate, in paper format at a cost not to exceed 25 cents per page for the first 10 pages and 10 cents per page thereafter, in the format of a compact disc at a cost of not more than \$5 or by electronic mail at no cost:

(1) A list of the mailing address of each unit, which must not
 include the names of the units' owners or the name of any tenant of
 a unit's owner; or

36 (2) If the members of the association are owners of time
37 shares within a time share plan created pursuant to chapter 119A of
38 NRS and:

(I) The voting rights of those owners are exercised by
delegates or representatives pursuant to NRS 116.31105, the mailing
address of the delegates or representatives.

42 (II) The voting rights of those owners are not exercised by 43 delegates or representatives, the mailing address of the association 44 established pursuant to NRS 119A.520. If the mailing address of the 45 association is provided to the candidate pursuant to this sub-





1 subparagraph, the association must send to each owner of a time 2 share within the time share plan the campaign material provided by 3 the candidate. If the campaign material will be sent by mail, the 4 candidate who provides the campaign material must provide to the 5 association a separate copy of the campaign material for each owner 6 and must pay the actual costs of mailing before the campaign 7 material is mailed. If the campaign material will be sent by 8 electronic transmission, the candidate must provide to the 9 association one copy of the campaign material in an electronic 10 format.

11 \rightarrow The information provided pursuant to this paragraph must not 12 include the name of any unit's owner or any tenant of a unit's 13 owner. If a candidate who makes a request for the information 14 described in this paragraph fails or refuses to provide a written 15 statement signed by the candidate which states that the candidate is 16 making the request to allow the candidate to communicate campaign 17 material directly to units' owners and that the candidate will not use 18 the information for any other purpose, the association or its agent 19 may refuse the request.

18. An association and its directors, officers, employees and agents are immune from criminal or civil liability for any act or omission which arises out of the publication or disclosure of any information related to any person and which occurs in the course of carrying out any duties required pursuant to subsection 17.

25 19. Each member of the executive board shall, within 90 days 26 after his or her appointment or election, certify in writing to 27 the association, on a form prescribed by the Administrator, that the 28 member has read and understands the governing documents of the 29 association and the provisions of this chapter to the best of his or her 30 ability. The Administrator may require the association to submit a 31 copy of the certification of each member of the executive board of 32 that association at the time the association registers with the 33 Ombudsman pursuant to NRS 116.31158.

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Sec. 2. NRS 116.31036 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 116.31036 1. Notwithstanding any provision of the 36 declaration or bylaws to the contrary, any member of the executive 37 board, other than a member appointed by the declarant, may be 38 removed from the executive board, with or without cause, if at a 39 removal election held pursuant to this section, the number of votes 40 cast in favor of removal constitutes:

41 (a) At least 35 percent of the total number of voting members of42 the association; and

43 (b) At least a majority of all votes cast in that removal election.

44 2. A removal election may be called by units' owners 45 constituting at least 10 percent, or any lower percentage specified in





the bylaws, of the total number of voting members of the 1 2 association. To call a removal election, the units' owners must 3 submit a written petition which is signed by the required percentage 4 of the total number of voting members of the association pursuant to 5 this subsection and which is mailed, return receipt requested, or 6 served by a process server to the executive board or the community 7 manager for the association. If a removal election is called pursuant to this subsection and: 8

9 (a) The voting rights of the units' owners will be exercised 10 through the use of secret [written] ballots pursuant to this section:

11 (1) The secret [written] ballots for the removal election must 12 be [sent] mailed, provided or made available in the manner required 13 by this section not less than 15 days or more than 60 days after the 14 date on which the petition is received. [; and]

15 (2) The executive board shall set the date for the meeting to 16 open and count the secret [written] ballots *physically received by* 17 the association and to review, announce and enter into the record 18 the results of the secret ballots received by the association by 19 *electronic means* so that the meeting is held not more than 15 days 20 after the deadline for returning the secret [written] ballots by 21 *physical or electronic means* and not later than 90 days after the 22 date on which the petition was received.

23 (3) Upon written request submitted to the community 24 manager, president or secretary of the association by a member of 25 the executive board who is the subject of the removal election, the 26 secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the association 27 shall cause notice of a meeting of the executive board to be given 28 to the units' owners not later than 5 days after receipt of the 29 written request. The notice must include the date, time and 30 location of the meeting, as requested by the member of the executive board who is the subject of the removal election, and 31 32 identify the removal of the member from the executive board as an 33 agenda item listed for discussion. A meeting requested pursuant to 34 this subparagraph must occur before the date for the meeting set 35 by the executive board pursuant to subparagraph (2).

(b) The voting rights of the owners of time shares will be
exercised by delegates or representatives as set forth in NRS
116.31105, the executive board shall set the date for the removal
election so that the removal election is held not less than 15 days or
more than 90 days after the date on which the petition is received.

41 \rightarrow The association shall not adopt any rule or regulation which 42 prevents or unreasonably interferes with the collection of the 43 required percentage of signatures for a petition pursuant to this 44 subsection.





1 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS *116.311 or* 116.31105, 2 the removal of any member of the executive board must be 3 conducted by secret [written] ballot in the following manner:

4 (a) The secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the 5 association shall cause a secret *paper or electronic* ballot *to be* 6 *provided to each unit's owner* and :

7 (1) If a paper ballot is provided, shall send the ballot and a 8 return envelope, [to be sent,] prepaid by United States mail, to the 9 mailing address of each unit within the common-interest community 10 or to any other mailing address designated in writing by the unit's 11 owner [.]; or

12 (2) If an electronic ballot is provided, shall provide the 13 ballot or make the ballot available by electronic means to each 14 unit's owner.

(b) Each unit's owner must be provided with at least 15 days
after the date the secret [written] ballot is mailed , *provided or made available* to the unit's owner to return the secret [written] ballot to
the association [.] by physical or electronic means.

19 (c) Only the secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the 20 association *receives by physical or electronic means* may be 21 counted to determine the outcome.

22 (d) [The secret written ballots must be opened and counted at] 23 At a meeting of the association [], the secret ballots physically 24 received by the association must be opened and counted and the 25 results of the secret ballots received by the association by 26 electronic means must be reviewed, announced and entered into 27 *the record.* A guorum is not required to be present when the secret 28 written] ballots *physically received by the association* are opened 29 and counted or the results of the secret ballots received by the 30 association by electronic means are reviewed, announced and 31 *entered into the record* at the meeting.

32 (e) The incumbent members of the executive board, including, 33 without limitation, the member who is subject to the removal, may 34 not possess, be given access to or participate in the opening or 35 counting of the secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the association physically receives, or the collection of data regarding 36 the secret ballots that the association receives by electronic means, 37 38 before those secret [written] ballots have been opened and counted 39 or reviewed, announced and entered into the record, as applicable, 40 at a meeting of the association.

41 Sec. 2.5. NRS 116.31068 is hereby amended to read as 42 follows:

43 116.31068 1. Except as otherwise provided in [subsection 3
 44 and unless a unit's owner opts out of receiving electronic
 45 communications or has not designated an electronic mail address,]





subsections 2, 3 and 6, an association shall deliver any notice
 required to be given by the association under this chapter [and any
 communication from or other information provided by the
 association] to the [mailing or] electronic mail [addresses] address a
 unit's owner designates.

6 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection [3,] 6, if a unit's owner has opted out of receiving electronic [communications or has not designated an electronic mail address to which a notice, communication or other information can be delivered,] notices, the association may deliver notices [, communications and other information] by:

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(a) Hand delivery to each unit's owner;

13 (b) Hand delivery, United States mail, postage paid, or 14 commercially reasonable delivery service to the mailing address of 15 each unit; or

(c) Any other method reasonably calculated to provide notice tothe unit's owner.

18 [2.] 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, if a 19 unit's owner has not opted out of receiving electronic notices, but 20 has not designated an electronic mail address at which to receive 21 notices pursuant to this section, the association may deliver any 22 notice required to be given by the association pursuant to this 23 chapter by:

(a) Electronic means, including, without limitation, by
electronic mail to an electronic mail address that a unit's owner
has provided to the association but has not designated as the
electronic mail address at which to receive notices pursuant to this
section; or

29 (b) Any of the methods specified in subsection 2.

30 4. A unit's owner is entitled to designate only one electronic 31 mail address at which to receive notices pursuant to this section.

5. The ineffectiveness of a good faith effort to deliver notice by
an authorized means does not invalidate action taken at or without a
meeting.

[3.] 6. The provisions of this section do not apply:

(a) To a notice required to be given pursuant to NRS 116.3116
to 116.31168, inclusive; or

(b) If any other provision of this chapter specifies the manner in
which a notice [, communication or other information] must be
given by an association.

41 Sec. 3. NRS 116.311 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 116.311 1. Unless prohibited or limited by the declaration or
43 bylaws and except as otherwise provided in this section, units'
44 owners may vote at a meeting in person, by absentee ballot pursuant
45 to paragraph (d) of subsection 2, by a proxy pursuant to subsections





1 3 to 8, inclusive, or, when a vote is conducted without a meeting, by 2 electronic or paper ballot pursuant to subsection 9.

3 2. At a meeting of units' owners, the following requirements 4 apply:

5 (a) Units' owners who are present in person may vote by voice 6 vote, show of hands, standing or any other method for determining 7 the votes of units' owners, as designated by the person presiding at 8 the meeting.

9 (b) If only one of several owners of a unit is present, that owner is entitled to cast all the votes allocated to that unit. If more than one 10 of the owners are present, the votes allocated to that unit may be 11 12 cast only in accordance with the agreement of a majority in interest 13 of the owners, unless the declaration expressly provides otherwise. 14 There is majority agreement if any one of the owners cast the votes 15 allocated to the unit without protest being made promptly to the 16 person presiding over the meeting by any of the other owners of the 17 unit.

18 (c) Unless a greater number or fraction of the votes in the 19 association is required by this chapter or the declaration, a majority 20 of the votes cast determines the outcome of any action of the 21 association.

(d) Subject to subsection 1, a unit's owner may vote by absentee
ballot without being present at the meeting. The association
promptly shall deliver an absentee ballot to an owner who requests it
if the request is made at least 3 days before the scheduled meeting.
Votes cast by absentee ballot must be included in the tally of a vote
taken at that meeting.

(e) When a unit's owner votes by absentee ballot, the
association must be able to verify that the ballot is cast by the unit's
owner having the right to do so.

31 3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, votes allocated 32 to a unit may be cast pursuant to a proxy executed by a unit's owner. 33 A unit's owner may give a proxy only to a member of his or her 34 immediate family, a tenant of the unit's owner who resides in the 35 common-interest community, another unit's owner who resides in the common-interest community, or a delegate or representative 36 37 when authorized pursuant to NRS 116.31105. If a unit is owned by 38 more than one person, each owner of the unit may vote or register 39 protest to the casting of votes by the other owners of the unit 40 through an executed proxy. A unit's owner may revoke a proxy 41 given pursuant to this section only by actual notice of revocation to 42 the person presiding over a meeting of the association.

- 43 4. Before a vote may be cast pursuant to a proxy:
- 44 (a) The proxy must be dated.

45 (b) The proxy must not purport to be revocable without notice.





1 (c) The proxy must designate the meeting for which it is 2 executed, and such a designation includes any recessed session of 3 that meeting.

4 (d) The proxy must designate each specific item on the agenda of the meeting for which the unit's owner has executed the proxy, 5 6 except that the unit's owner may execute the proxy without 7 designating any specific items on the agenda of the meeting if the 8 proxy is to be used solely for determining whether a quorum is 9 present for the meeting. If the proxy designates one or more specific items on the agenda of the meeting for which the unit's owner has 10 executed the proxy, the proxy must indicate, for each specific item 11 12 designated in the proxy, whether the holder of the proxy must cast a 13 vote in the affirmative or the negative on behalf of the unit's owner. 14 If the proxy does not indicate whether the holder of the proxy must 15 cast a vote in the affirmative or the negative for a particular item on 16 the agenda of the meeting, the proxy must be treated, with regard to 17 that particular item, as if the unit's owner were present but not 18 voting on that particular item.

(e) The holder of the proxy must disclose at the beginning of the
meeting for which the proxy is executed and any recessed session of
that meeting the number of proxies pursuant to which the holder will
be casting votes.

5. A proxy terminates immediately after the conclusion of the meeting, and any recessed sessions of the meeting, for which it is executed.

26 Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a vote may 6. 27 not be cast pursuant to a proxy for the election or removal of a 28 member of the executive board of an association. A vote may be 29 cast pursuant to a proxy for the election or removal of a member of 30 the executive board of a master association which governs a time-31 share plan created pursuant to chapter 119A of NRS if the proxy is 32 exercised through a delegate or representative authorized pursuant 33 to NRS 116.31105.

7. The holder of a proxy may not cast a vote on behalf of theunit's owner who executed the proxy in a manner that is contrary tothe proxy.

8. A proxy is void if the proxy or the holder of the proxy
violates any provision of subsections 3 to 7, inclusive.

39 9. [Unless prohibited or limited by the declaration or bylaws, 40 an] An association may conduct a vote without a meeting [. Except

41 as otherwise provided in NRS 116.31034 and 116.31036, if],

42 including, without limitation, a vote for the election or removal of

43 *a member of the executive board. If* an association conducts a vote

44 without a meeting, the following requirements apply:





1 (a) The association shall notify the units' owners that the vote 2 will be taken by ballot.

3 (b) The association shall deliver a paper or electronic ballot to 4 every unit's owner entitled to vote on the matter [-] and may allow 5 the units' owners to vote by using a voting machine. Any such 6 voting machine must be a mechanical voting system that has been 7 approved by the Secretary of State in accordance with chapter 8 293B of NRS and, once voting begins, must be:

9 (1) Located in a prominent place within the common 10 elements of the association; and

11 (2) Available for use between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. 12 each day for a period of 15 consecutive days.

(c) The ballot must set forth each proposed action and providean opportunity to vote for or against the action.

(d) When the association delivers the ballots, it shall also:

16 (1) Indicate the number of responses needed to meet the 17 quorum requirements;

18 (2) State the percentage of votes necessary to approve each19 matter other than election of directors;

20 (3) Specify the time and date by which a ballot must be 21 delivered to the association to be counted, which time and date may 22 not be fewer than 3 days after the date the association delivers the 23 ballot; and

(4) Describe the time, date and manner by which units'
owners wishing to deliver information to all units' owners regarding
the subject of the vote may do so.

(e) Except as otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, a
ballot is not revoked after delivery to the association by death or
disability of or attempted revocation by the person who cast that
vote.

(f) Approval by ballot pursuant to this subsection is valid only if
the number of votes cast by ballot equals or exceeds the quorum
required to be present at a meeting authorizing the action.

(g) If the vote is for the election or removal of a member of the
 executive board and the executive board chooses to use electronic
 voting:

37 (1) If the vote is for the election of a member of the 38 executive board, the association must send or provide, in the 39 manner and time that ballots are sent or provided pursuant to 40 paragraph (a) of subsection 15 of NRS 116.31034 or paragraph 41 (a) of subsection 7 of NRS 116.31105:

42 (I) A paper ballot and a return envelope, prepaid by 43 United States mail, to any unit's owner who has opted out of 44 receiving electronic notices pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 45 116.31068; and



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1 (II) An electronic ballot to any unit's owner who has 2 designated an electronic mail address at which to receive notices 3 pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 116.31068.

4 (2) If the vote is for the removal of a member of the 5 executive board, the association must send or provide, in the 6 manner and time that ballots are sent or provided pursuant to 7 subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of 8 NRS 116.31036:

9 (I) A paper ballot and a return envelope, prepaid by 10 United States mail, to any unit's owner who has opted out of 11 receiving electronic notices pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 12 116.31068; and

(II) An electronic ballot to any unit's owner who has
 designated an electronic mail address at which to receive notices
 pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 116.31068.

16 (3) If the association allows units' owners to vote by using a 17 voting machine, the association must provide to each unit's owner, not less than 15 days before the date on which voting begins, a 18 notice of the opportunity to vote by using a voting machine that 19 20 provides the location at which the voting machine will be available 21 for use and the days and times during which the voting machine 22 will be available for use. The association shall also provide with 23 the notice a form that allows a unit's owner to opt out of voting by 24 using a voting machine and instead receive a paper ballot. If a 25 unit's owner returns the form to the association within 15 days 26 after receiving the notice, the association shall send a paper ballot 27 and a return envelope, prepaid by United States mail, to the mailing address of the unit's owner or to any other mailing 28 29 address designated in writing by the unit's owner.

(4) A meeting of the units' owners must be held in the 30 manner set forth in NRS 116.31034 or 116.31036 to open and 31 32 count the paper ballots and review and announce the results obtained from the electronic ballots or voting machine, as 33 applicable, and enter the results into the meeting record. Any 34 paper ballots must be opened and counted in a manner that may 35 be readily observed by the units' owners in attendance at the 36 37 meeting and must not occur privately behind closed doors or in an area that is not open to observation by the units' owners in 38 39 attendance.

40 (5) Any electronic voting must be conducted by an 41 independent third-party through the use of an online voting 42 system, a voting machine, or both an online voting system and a 43 voting machine. The independent third-party shall be deemed to be 44 a data collector pursuant to NRS 603A.030 and is subject to the 45 obligations and liabilities of chapter 603A of NRS with regard to





1 the security and privacy of any personal information, as that term 2 is defined in NRS 603A.040, that is provided or maintained 3 through the use of an online voting system or voting machine. The 4 independent third-party conducting the electronic voting may not 5 be any of the following persons and may not share voting results 6 or information with any of the following persons before the 7 meeting held pursuant to subparagraph (4):

8 (I) A candidate for or member of the executive board or 9 an officer of the association;

10 (II) A person who resides in a unit with, is married to, is 11 domestic partners with, or is related by blood, adoption or 12 marriage within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to 13 another person who is a member of the executive board or an 14 officer of the association or performs the duties of a community 15 manager for the association;

16 (III) An officer, employee, agent or director of a 17 corporate owner of a unit, a trustee or designated beneficiary of a 18 trust that owns a unit, a partner of a partnership that owns a unit, a member or manager of a limited-liability company that owns a 19 20 unit or a fiduciary of an estate that owns a unit if the unit is also 21 owned by another person who is a member of the executive board 22 or an officer of the association or serves as the community 23 *manager for the association;*

24 (IV) A person who performs the duties of a community 25 manager for the association, an affiliate of the community 26 employee of the company by manager. an whom the 27 community manager is employed or an affiliate of the company, 28 the spouse of any such person or the parent or child of any such 29 person by blood, adoption or marriage;

30 (V) The declarant of the association or an affiliate of the 31 declarant;

(VI) A unit's owner or resident of the association; or

(VII) Any person who stands to gain any personal profit
or compensation of any kind from a matter before the executive
board of the association other than payment only for conducting
voting services for the association.

10. If the declaration requires that votes on specified matters
affecting the common-interest community must be cast by the
lessees of leased units rather than the units' owners who have leased
the units:

(a) This section applies to the lessees as if they were the units'owners;

(b) The units' owners who have leased their units to the lesseesmay not cast votes on those specified matters;



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(c) The lessees are entitled to notice of meetings, access to 1 2 records and other rights respecting those matters as if they were the 3 units' owners; and

(d) The units' owners must be given notice, in the manner 4 provided in NRS 116.3108, of all meetings at which the lessees are 5 6 entitled to vote.

7 11. If any votes are allocated to a unit that is owned by the 8 association, those votes may not be cast, by proxy or otherwise, for 9 any purpose.

10 **12.** As used in this section, "online voting system" means an Internet-based voting system with a process that has the ability: 11 12 (a) To authenticate:

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(1) The identity of a unit's owner; and

(2) The validity of each electronic vote to ensure that the 14 15 vote is not altered in transit:

16 (b) To enable a unit's owner to transmit an electronic ballot to 17 the online voting system in a way that ensures the secrecy and 18 *integrity of the ballot;*

(c) To transmit an electronic receipt to each unit's owner who 19 20 casts an electronic vote;

21 (d) To separate any authenticating or identifying information 22 from an electronic ballot, thereby rendering it impossible to match 23 an electronic ballot to a specific unit's owner;

24 (e) To store electronic votes and keep them accessible to units' 25 owners and the Office of the Ombudsman for the purposes of 26 recounts, inspections and reviews; (f) To count all lawful votes: and

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28 (g) To identify, reject and record the basis for rejection of all 29 unlawful votes, including, without limitation, a vote by a unit's 30 owner whose voting rights have been suspended, a vote by a 31 person who is not a unit's owner and duplicate votes.

Sec. 4. NRS 116.31105 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 116.31105 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, if the declaration so provides, in a common-interest community that 34 35 consists of at least 1,000 units, the voting rights of the units' owners 36 in the association for that common-interest community may be 37 exercised by delegates or representatives except that, in the election 38 or removal of a member of the executive board, the voting rights of 39 the units' owners may not be exercised by delegates or 40 representatives.

41 Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, in addition to 2. 42 a common-interest community identified in subsection 1, if the 43 declaration so provides, in a common-interest community created 44 before October 1, 1999, the voting rights of the units' owners in the 45 association for that common-interest community may be exercised





1 by delegates or representatives except that, in the election or 2 removal of a member of the executive board, the voting rights of the 3 units' owners may not be exercised by delegates or representatives.

4 3. In addition to a common-interest community identified in 5 subsections 1 and 2, if the declaration so provides, the voting rights 6 of the owners of time shares within a time-share plan created 7 pursuant to chapter 119A of NRS which is governed by a master 8 association may be exercised by delegates or representatives.

9 4. For the purposes of subsection 1, each unit that a declarant 10 has reserved the right to create pursuant to NRS 116.2105 and for 11 which developmental rights exist must be counted in determining 12 the number of units in a common-interest community.

5. For the purposes of subsection 3, each time share that a developer has reserved the right to create pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 2 of NRS 119A.380 must be counted in determining the number of time shares in a time-share plan.

17 6. Notwithstanding any provision in the declaration, the 18 election of any delegate or representative must be conducted by 19 secret [written] ballot.

20 7. When an election of a delegate or representative is 21 conducted by secret [written] ballot:

(a) The secretary or other officer of the association specified in
 the bylaws of the association shall cause a secret [written] paper or
 electronic ballot *to be provided to each unit's owner* and :

(1) If a paper ballot is provided, shall send the ballot and a
return envelope, [to be sent,] prepaid by United States mail, to the
mailing address of each unit within the common-interest community
or to any other mailing address designated in writing by the unit's
owner []; or

30 (2) If an electronic ballot is provided, shall provide the 31 ballot or make the ballot available by electronic means to each 32 unit's owner.

(b) Each unit's owner must be provided with at least 15 days
after the date the secret [written] ballot is mailed , *provided or made available* to the unit's owner to return the secret [written] ballot to
the association [.] by physical or electronic means.

(c) Only the secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the
association [in the manner prescribed on the ballot] receives by *physical or electronic means* may be counted to determine the
outcome of the election.

41 (d) [The secret written ballots must be opened and counted at] 42 At a meeting called for the purpose of electing delegates or 43 representatives [.], the secret ballots physically received by the 44 association must be opened and counted and the results of the 45 secret ballots received by the association by electronic means must





1 be reviewed, announced and entered into the record. A quorum is 2 not required to be present when the secret [written] ballots 3 physically received by the association are opened and counted or 4 the results of the secret ballots received by the association by 5 electronic means are reviewed, announced and entered into the 6 record at the meeting.

7 (e) A candidate for delegate or representative may not possess. 8 be given access to or participate in the opening or counting of the 9 secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the association [in the manner prescribed on the ballot] physically receives, or the 10 collection of data regarding the secret ballots that the association 11 12 *receives by electronic means*, before those secret [written] ballots 13 have been opened and counted or reviewed, announced and entered 14 *into the record, as applicable, at a meeting called for that purpose.*

8. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 9, the voting rights of the units' owners in the association for a common-interest community may be exercised by delegates or representatives only during the period that the declarant is in control of the association and during the 2-year period after the declarant's control of the association is terminated pursuant to NRS 116.31032.

9. The provisions of subsection 8 do not apply to:

(a) A time-share plan created pursuant to chapter 119A of NRS
 which is governed by a master association; or

(b) A condominium or cooperative containing both units that are
 restricted exclusively to nonresidential use and other units that are
 not so restricted.

Sec. 5. NRS 116.31153 is hereby amended to read as follows:

116.31153 1. Money in the reserve account of an association required by paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 116.3115 may not be withdrawn without the signatures of at least two members of the executive board or the signatures of at least one member of the executive board and one officer of the association who is not a member of the executive board.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, money in the operating account of an association may not be withdrawn without the signatures of at least one member of the executive board or one officer of the association and a member of the executive board, an officer of the association or the community manager.

39 3. Money in the operating account of an association may be 40 withdrawn without the signatures required pursuant to subsection 2 41 to:

42 (a) Transfer money to the reserve account of the association at 43 regular intervals;

(b) Make automatic payments for utilities;



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1 (c) Make automatic payments for the cost of any insurance 2 policies maintained pursuant to NRS 116.3113;

3 (d) Make automatic payments for telecommunications services 4 maintained by the association, including, without limitation, 5 telephone, cable, satellite and Internet services;

6 (e) Make automatic payments for any services to the 7 association that are billed on a monthly, quarterly or annual 8 basis;

(f) Make annual payments to the Office of the Ombudsman;

10 (g) Make an electronic transfer of money to a state agency 11 pursuant to NRS 353.1467; or

12 [(d)] (h) Make an electronic transfer of money to the United 13 States Government, or any agency thereof, pursuant to any federal 14 law requiring transfers of money to be made by an electronic means 15 authorized by the United States Government or the agency thereof.

16 4. An association may use electronic signatures to withdraw 17 money in the operating account of the association if:

(a) The electronic transfer of money is made pursuant to a
 written agreement entered into between the association and the
 financial institution where the operating account of the association is
 maintained;

(b) The executive board has expressly authorized the electronictransfer of money; and

(c) The association has established internal accounting controls
 which comply with generally accepted accounting principles to
 safeguard the assets of the association.

5. As used in this section, "electronic transfer of money" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 353.1467.

29 Sec. 6. NRS 116A.620 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 116A.620 1. Any management agreement must:

31 (a) Be in writing and signed by all parties;

32 (b) Be entered into between the client and the community 33 manager or the employer of the community manager if the 34 community manager is acting on behalf of a corporation, 35 partnership, limited partnership, limited-liability partnership, 36 limited-liability company or other entity;

37 (c) State the term of the management agreement;

38 (d) State the basic consideration for the services to be provided39 and the payment schedule;

40 (e) Include a complete schedule of all fees, costs, expenses and 41 charges to be imposed by the community manager, whether direct or 42 indirect, including, without limitation:

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(1) The costs for any new client or start-up costs;





parties; party; manager: 15 (i) State the spending limits of the community manager; termination of the community manager; carried by each contracting party, including, without limitation: \$1.000.000 or more: fidelity bond coverage; and directors and officers liability coverage for the executive board; 29 (1) Include provisions for dispute resolution; software belonging to the community manager; physical location of the common-interest community; common-interest community; and account. 2. management agreement may: (a) Provide for mandatory binding arbitration; or AB 309

1 (2) The fees for special or nonroutine services, such as the 2 mailing of collection letters, the recording of liens and foreclosing 3 of property;

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(3) Reimbursable expenses;

- 5 (4) The fees for the sale or resale of a unit or for setting up 6 the account of a new member; and
- 7 (5) The portion of fees that are to be retained by the client 8 and the portion to be retained by the community manager;

9 (f) State the identity and the legal status of the contracting 10

(g) State any limitations on the liability of each contracting 11 12

13 (h) Include a statement of the scope of work of the community 14

16 (j) Include provisions relating to the grounds and procedures for 17

18 (k) Identify the types and amounts of insurance coverage to be 19

20 (1) A requirement that the community manager or his or her 21 employer shall maintain insurance covering liability for errors or 22 omissions, professional liability or a surety bond to compensate for 23 losses actionable pursuant to this chapter in an amount of 24

25 (2) An indication of which contracting party will maintain 26

27 (3) A statement as to whether the client will maintain 28

30 (m) Acknowledge that all records and books of the client are the 31 property of the client, except any proprietary information and 32

33 (n) State the physical location, including the street address, of the records of the client, which must be within 60 miles from the 34 35

36 (o) State the frequency and extent of regular inspections of the 37

38 (p) State the extent, if any, of the authority of the community manager to sign checks on behalf of the client in an operating 39 40

41 In addition to any other requirements under this section, a 42

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44 (b) Allow the provisions of the management agreement to apply 45 month to month following the end of the term of the management



1 agreement, but the management agreement may not contain an 2 automatic renewal provision.

Not later than 10 days after the effective date of a 3 3. 4 management agreement, the community manager shall provide each 5 member of the executive board evidence of the existence of the 6 required insurance, including, without limitation: 7

(a) The names and addresses of all insurance companies;

(b) The total amount of coverage; and

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(c) The amount of any deductible.

After signing a management agreement, the community 10 4. manager shall provide a copy of the management agreement to each 11 12 member of the executive board. Within 30 days after an election or 13 appointment of a new member to the executive board, the 14 community manager shall provide the new member with a copy of 15 the management agreement.

16 5. Any changes to a management agreement must be initialed 17 by the contracting parties. If there are any changes after the 18 execution of a management agreement, those changes must be in 19 writing and signed by the contracting parties.

[Except] Until the regulations adopted by the Commission 20 6. 21 *pursuant to subsection 8 become effective, and except* as otherwise 22 provided in the management agreement, upon the termination or 23 assignment of a management agreement, the community manager 24 shall, within 30 days after the termination or assignment, transfer 25 possession of all books, records and other papers of the client to the 26 succeeding community manager, or to the client if there is no 27 succeeding community manager, regardless of any unpaid fees or 28 charges to the community manager or management company.

29 7. Notwithstanding any provision in a management agreement 30 to the contrary, a management agreement may be terminated by the client without penalty upon 30 days' notice following a violation by 31 32 the community manager of any provision of this chapter or chapter 33 116 of NRS.

8. The Commission shall adopt regulations establishing the 34 35 requirements relating to the transfer of all books, records and 36 other papers of the client upon the termination or assignment of a 37 management agreement.

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Sec. 7. NRS 116A.620 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 116A.620 1. Any management agreement must:

(a) Be in writing and signed by all parties; 40

(b) Be entered into between the client and the community 41 42 manager or the employer of the community manager if the 43 community manager is acting on behalf of a corporation, 44 partnership, limited partnership, limited-liability partnership, 45 limited-liability company or other entity;





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1 (c) State the term of the management agreement; 2 (d) State the basic consideration for the services to be provided 3 and the payment schedule; (e) Include a complete schedule of all fees, costs, expenses and 4 5 charges to be imposed by the community manager, whether direct or 6 indirect, including, without limitation: 7 (1) The costs for any new client or start-up costs; 8 (2) The fees for special or nonroutine services, such as the 9 mailing of collection letters, the recording of liens and foreclosing 10 of property: 11 (3) Reimbursable expenses; 12 (4) The fees for the sale or resale of a unit or for setting up 13 the account of a new member; and 14 (5) The portion of fees that are to be retained by the client 15 and the portion to be retained by the community manager; 16 (f) State the identity and the legal status of the contracting 17 parties; 18 (g) State any limitations on the liability of each contracting 19 party; (h) Include a statement of the scope of work of the community 20 21 manager: 22 (i) State the spending limits of the community manager: 23 (i) Include provisions relating to the grounds and procedures for 24 termination of the community manager; 25 (k) Identify the types and amounts of insurance coverage to be 26 carried by each contracting party, including, without limitation: 27 (1) A requirement that the community manager or his or her 28 employer shall maintain insurance covering liability for errors or 29 omissions, professional liability or a surety bond to compensate for 30 losses actionable pursuant to this chapter in an amount of 31 \$1,000,000 or more; 32 (2) An indication of which contracting party will maintain 33 fidelity bond coverage; and (3) A statement as to whether the client will maintain 34 35 directors and officers liability coverage for the executive board; 36 (1) Include provisions for dispute resolution; 37 (m) Acknowledge that all records and books of the client are the 38 property of the client, except any proprietary information and software belonging to the community manager; 39 40 (n) State the physical location, including the street address, of the records of the client, which must be within 60 miles from the 41 42 physical location of the common-interest community; 43 (o) State the frequency and extent of regular inspections of the 44 common-interest community; and





1 (p) State the extent, if any, of the authority of the community 2 manager to sign checks on behalf of the client in an operating 3 account.

4 2. In addition to any other requirements under this section, a 5 management agreement may:

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(a) Provide for mandatory binding arbitration; or

7 (b) Allow the provisions of the management agreement to apply 8 month to month following the end of the term of the management 9 agreement, but the management agreement may not contain an 10 automatic renewal provision.

11 3. Not later than 10 days after the effective date of a 12 management agreement, the community manager shall provide each 13 member of the executive board evidence of the existence of the 14 required insurance, including, without limitation:

15 (a) The names and addresses of all insurance companies; 16

(b) The total amount of coverage; and

(c) The amount of any deductible.

18 After signing a management agreement, the community 4. 19 manager shall provide a copy of the management agreement to each 20 member of the executive board. Within 30 days after an election or 21 appointment of a new member to the executive board, the 22 community manager shall provide the new member with a copy of 23 the management agreement.

24 Any changes to a management agreement must be initialed 5. 25 by the contracting parties. If there are any changes after the 26 execution of a management agreement, those changes must be in 27 writing and signed by the contracting parties.

28 6. [Until the regulations adopted by the Commission pursuant 29 to subsection 8 become effective, and except as otherwise provided in the management agreement, upon the termination or assignment 30 31 of a management agreement, the community manager shall, within 32 30 days after the termination or assignment, transfer possession of all books, records and other papers of the client to the 33 succeeding community manager, or to the client if there is no 34 35 succeeding community manager, regardless of any unpaid fees or 36 charges to the community manager or management company. 37 -7. Notwithstanding any provision in a management agreement

38 to the contrary, a management agreement may be terminated by the client without penalty upon 30 days' notice following a violation by 39 40 the community manager of any provision of this chapter or chapter 41 116 of NRS.

42 [8.] 7. The Commission shall adopt regulations establishing 43 the requirements relating to the transfer of all books, records and 44 other papers of the client upon the termination or assignment of a 45 management agreement.





Sec. 8. NRS 116B.445 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 116B.445 1. Not later than the termination of any period of 3 declarant's control, the units' owners shall elect an executive board 4 of at least three members. At least a majority of the members of the 5 executive board must be residential unit owners and at least one member of the executive board must be a duly authorized 6 representative of the hotel unit owner. The executive board shall 7 8 elect the officers of the association. The members of the executive board and the officers of the association shall take office upon 9 election. 10

11 2. The term of office of a member of the executive board may 12 not exceed 3 years, except for members who are appointed by the 13 declarant or the hotel unit owner. Unless the governing documents 14 provide otherwise, there is no limitation on the number of terms that 15 a person may serve as a member of the executive board.

3. The governing documents of the association must provide for terms of office that are staggered in such a manner that, to the extent possible, an equal number of members of the executive board are elected at each election. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to:

21 (a) Members of the executive board who are appointed by the 22 declarant;

(b) Members of the executive board who are appointed by thehotel unit owner; and

(c) Members of the executive board who serve a term of 1 yearor less.

27 4. Not less than 30 days before the preparation of a ballot for 28 the election of members of the executive board, the secretary or 29 other officer specified in the bylaws of the association shall cause 30 notice to be given to each unit's owner of his or her eligibility to 31 serve as a member of the executive board. Each unit's owner who is 32 qualified to serve as a member of the executive board may have his or her name placed on the ballot along with the names of the 33 34 nominees selected by the members of the executive board or a 35 nominating committee established by the association.

5. Each person whose name is placed on the ballot as a candidate for a member of the executive board must:

(a) Make a good faith effort to disclose any financial, business,
professional or personal relationship or interest that would result or
would appear to a reasonable person to result in a potential conflict
of interest for the candidate if the candidate were to be elected to
serve as a member of the executive board; and

(b) Disclose whether the candidate is a member in good
standing. For the purposes of this paragraph, a candidate shall not be
deemed to be in "good standing" if the candidate has any unpaid and



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1 past due assessments or charges that are required to be paid to the 2 association.

The candidate must make all disclosures required pursuant to this
subsection in writing to the association with his or her candidacy
information. The association shall distribute the disclosures to each
member of the association with the ballot in the manner established
in the bylaws of the association.

8 6. Unless a person is appointed by the declarant, a person may 9 not be a member of the executive board or an officer of the 10 association if the person, the person's spouse or the person's parent 11 or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, performs the duties of a 12 community manager for that association.

13 7. An officer, employee, agent or director of a corporate owner 14 of a unit, a trustee or designated beneficiary of a trust that owns a 15 unit, a partner of a partnership that owns a unit, a member or 16 manager of a limited-liability company that owns a unit, and a 17 fiduciary of an estate that owns a unit may be an officer of the 18 association or a member of the executive board. In all events where 19 the person serving or offering to serve as an officer of the 20 association or a member of the executive board is not the record 21 owner, the person shall file proof in the records of the association 22 that:

(a) The person is associated with the corporate owner, trust,
 partnership, limited-liability company or estate as required by this
 subsection; and

(b) Identifies the unit or units owned by the corporate owner,trust, partnership, limited-liability company or estate.

8. [The] Except as otherwise provided in NRS 116B.550, the
election of any member of the executive board must be conducted
by secret [written] ballot as follows:

(a) The secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the
association shall cause a secret *paper or electronic* ballot *to be provided to each unit's owner* and :

(1) If a paper ballot is provided, shall send the ballot and a
return envelope, [to be sent,] prepaid by United States mail, to the
mailing address of each unit within the condominium hotel or to any
other mailing address designated in writing by the unit's owner [.];
or

39 (2) If an electronic ballot is provided, shall provide the 40 ballot or make the ballot available by electronic means to each 41 unit's owner.

42 (b) Each unit's owner must be provided with at least 15 days
43 after the date the secret [written] ballot is mailed , *provided or made*44 *available* to the unit's owner to return the secret [written] ballot to
45 the association [.] *by physical or electronic means.*





1 (c) A quorum is not required for the election of any member of 2 the executive board.

3 (d) Only the secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the 4 association *receives by physical or electronic means* may be 5 counted to determine the outcome of the election.

6 (e) [The secret written ballots must be opened and counted at] At 7 a meeting of the association [.], the secret ballots physically 8 received by the association must be opened and counted and the 9 results of the secret ballots received by the association by electronic means must be reviewed, announced and entered into 10 *the record.* A guorum is not required to be present when the secret 11 12 written] ballots are opened and counted or the results of the secret 13 ballots received by the association by electronic means are 14 *reviewed, announced and entered into the record* at the meeting.

15 (f) The incumbent members of the executive board and each 16 person whose name is placed on the ballot as a candidate for a 17 member of the executive board may not possess, be given access to 18 or participate in the opening or counting of the secret [written] 19 ballots that <u>[are returned to]</u> the association *physically receives*, or 20 the collection of data regarding the secret ballots that the association receives by electronic means, before those secret 21 22 written ballots have been opened and counted or reviewed, 23 announced and entered into the record, as applicable, at a meeting 24 of the association.

25 9. Each member of the executive board shall, within 90 days 26 after his or her appointment or election, certify in writing to the 27 association, on a form prescribed by the Administrator, that the 28 member has read and understands the governing documents of 29 the association and the provisions of this chapter to the best of the 30 member's ability. The Administrator may require the association to 31 submit a copy of the certification of each member of the executive 32 board of that association at the time the association registers with the Ombudsman pursuant to NRS 116B.625. 33

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Sec. 9. NRS 116B.450 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. Notwithstanding provision 35 116B.450 any of the 36 declaration or bylaws to the contrary, any member of the executive board, other than a member appointed by the declarant or elected by 37 38 the hotel unit owner, may be removed from the executive board, 39 with or without cause, if at a removal election held pursuant to this 40 section, the number of votes cast in favor of removal constitutes:

(a) At least 35 percent of the total number of voting members ofthe association; and

43 (b) At least a majority of all votes cast in that removal election.

44 2. A removal election may be called by units' owners 45 constituting at least 10 percent, or any lower percentage specified in





the bylaws, of the total number of voting members of the 1 2 association. To call a removal election, the units' owners must 3 submit a written petition which is signed by the required percentage 4 of the total number of voting members of the association pursuant to 5 this subsection and which is mailed, return receipt requested, or 6 served by a process server to the executive board or the community manager for the association. If a removal election is called pursuant 7 8 to this subsection and the voting rights of the units' owners will be 9 exercised through the use of secret [written] ballots pursuant to this 10 section:

(a) The secret [written] ballots for the removal election must be
 [sent] mailed, provided or made available in the manner required by
 this section not less than 15 days or more than 60 days after the date
 on which the petition is received. [; and]

15 (b) The executive board shall set the date for the meeting to 16 open and count the secret [written] ballots *physically received by* 17 the association and to review, announce and enter into the record 18 the results of the secret ballots received by the association by 19 *electronic means* so that the meeting is held not more than 15 days 20 after the deadline for returning the secret [written] ballots by 21 *physical or electronic means* and not later than 90 days after the 22 date on which the petition was received.

23 (c) Upon written request submitted to the community manager, 24 president or secretary of the association by a member of the 25 executive board who is the subject of the removal election, the 26 secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the association 27 shall cause notice of a meeting of the executive board to be given 28 to the units' owners not later than 5 days after receipt of the 29 written request. The notice must include the date, time and 30 location of the meeting, as requested by the member of the 31 executive board who is the subject of the removal election, and 32 identify the removal of the member from the executive board as an 33 agenda item listed for discussion. A meeting requested pursuant to this paragraph must occur before the date for the meeting set by 34 35 the executive board pursuant to paragraph (b).

36 3. [The] *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 116B.550, the* 37 removal of any member of the executive board must be conducted 38 by secret [written] ballot as follows:

(a) The secretary or other officer specified in the bylaws of the
association shall cause a secret *paper or electronic* ballot *to be provided to each unit's owner* and :

42 (1) If a paper ballot is provided, shall send the ballot and a 43 return envelope, [to be sent,] prepaid by United States mail, to the 44 mailing address of each unit within the condominium hotel or to any





other mailing address designated in writing by the unit's owner [+];
or

3 (2) If an electronic ballot is provided, shall provide the 4 ballot or make the ballot available by electronic means to each 5 unit's owner.

(b) Each unit's owner must be provided with at least 15 days
after the date the secret [written] ballot is mailed , *provided or made available* to the unit's owner to return the secret [written] ballot to
the association [.] by physical or electronic means.

10 (c) Only the secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the 11 association *receives by physical or electronic means* may be 12 counted to determine the outcome.

13 (d) [The secret written ballots must be opened and counted at] 14 At a meeting of the association [], the secret ballots physically 15 received by the association must be opened and counted and the 16 results of the secret ballots received by the association by 17 electronic means must be reviewed, announced and entered into 18 *the record.* A guorum is not required to be present when the secret 19 written] ballots *physically received by the association* are opened 20 and counted or the results of the secret ballots received by the 21 association by electronic means are reviewed, announced and 22 *entered into the record* at the meeting.

23 (e) The incumbent members of the executive board, including, 24 without limitation, the member who is subject to the removal, may 25 not possess, be given access to or participate in the opening or 26 counting of the secret [written] ballots that [are returned to] the 27 association physically receives, or the collection of data regarding 28 the secret ballots that the association receives by electronic means, 29 before those secret [written] ballots have been opened and counted 30 or reviewed, announced and entered into the record, as applicable, 31 at a meeting of the association.

Sec. 9.5. NRS 116B.513 is hereby amended to read as follows: 116B.513 1. Except as otherwise provided in [subsection 3,] *subsections 2, 3 and 6,* an association or a hotel unit owner, as applicable, shall deliver any notice required to be given by the association or the hotel unit owner under this chapter to [any mailing or] *the* electronic mail address a unit's owner designates.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection [3,] 6, if a unit's owner has [not designated a mailing or] opted out of receiving electronic [mail address to which a notice must be delivered,]
11 notices, the association or hotel unit owner may deliver notices by:

42 (a) Hand delivery to the unit's owner;

(b) Hand delivery, United States mail, postage paid, or
commercially reasonable delivery service to the mailing address of
the unit of the unit's owner; or





1 (c) Any other method reasonably calculated to provide notice to 2 the unit's owner.

3 **[2.]** 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, if a unit's owner has not opted out of receiving electronic notices, but 4 has not designated an electronic mail address at which to receive 5 6 notices pursuant to this section, the association may deliver any 7 notice required to be given by the association pursuant to this 8 chapter by:

9 including, (a) Electronic means, without limitation. bv electronic mail to an electronic mail address that a unit's owner 10 has provided to the association but has not designated as the 11 12 electronic mail address at which to receive notices pursuant to this 13 section; or

(b) Any of the methods specified in subsection 2.

15 4. A unit's owner is entitled to designate only one electronic 16 mail address at which to receive notices pursuant to this section.

17 The ineffectiveness of a good faith effort to deliver notice by 5. 18 an authorized means does not invalidate action taken at or without a meeting. 19 20

[3.] **6**. The provisions of this section do not apply:

21 (a) To a notice required to be given pursuant to NRS 116B.630 22 to 116B.665, inclusive; or

23 (b) If any other provision of this chapter specifies the manner in 24 which a notice must be given by an association or hotel unit owner.

Sec. 10. NRS 116B.550 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 116B.550 1. Unless prohibited or limited by the declaration 27 or bylaws and except as otherwise provided in this section, the 28 units' owners may vote at a meeting in person, by absentee ballot 29 pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 2, by a proxy pursuant to 30 subsections 3 to 8, inclusive, or, when a vote is conducted without a 31 meeting, by paper or electronic ballot pursuant to subsection 9.

32 At a meeting of the units' owners, the following 2. 33 requirements apply:

34 (a) Units' owners who are present in person may vote by voice 35 vote, show of hands, standing or any other method for determining 36 the votes of the units' owners, as designated by the person presiding 37 at the meeting.

38 (b) If only one of several owners of a unit is present, that owner 39 is entitled to cast all the votes allocated to that unit. If more than one of the owners are present, the votes allocated to that unit may be 40 41 cast only in accordance with the agreement of a majority in interest 42 of the owners, unless the declaration expressly provides otherwise. 43 There is majority agreement if any one of the owners cast the votes 44 allocated to the unit without protest being made promptly to the



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1 person presiding over the meeting by any of the other owners of the2 unit.

3 (c) Unless a greater number or fraction of the votes in the 4 association is required by this chapter or the declaration, a majority 5 of the votes cast determines the outcome of any action of the 6 association.

7 (d) Subject to the provisions of subsection 1, a unit's owner may 8 vote by absentee ballot without being present at the meeting. The 9 association promptly shall deliver an absentee ballot to a unit's 10 owner who requests it if the request is made at least 3 days before 11 the scheduled meeting. Votes cast by absentee ballot must be 12 included in the tally of a vote taken at that meeting.

13 (e) When a unit's owner votes by absentee ballot, the 14 association must be able to verify that the ballot is cast by the unit's 15 owner having the right to do so.

16 3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, votes allocated 17 to a unit may be cast pursuant to a proxy executed by a unit's owner. 18 A unit's owner may give a proxy only to a member of his or her 19 immediate family, a tenant of the unit's owner who resides in the 20 condominium hotel, the hotel unit owner or another unit's owner 21 who resides in the condominium hotel. If a unit is owned by more 22 than one person, each owner of the unit may vote or register protest 23 to the casting of votes by the other owners of the unit through an 24 executed proxy. A unit's owner may revoke a proxy given pursuant 25 to this section only by actual notice of revocation to the person 26 presiding over a meeting of the association.

4. Before a vote may be cast pursuant to a proxy:

28 (a) The proxy must be dated.

29 (b) The proxy must not purport to be revocable without notice.

30 (c) The proxy must designate the meeting for which it is 31 executed, and such a designation includes any recessed session of 32 the meeting.

33 (d) The proxy must designate each specific item on the agenda of the meeting for which the unit's owner has executed the proxy, 34 35 except that the unit's owner may execute the proxy without designating any specific items on the agenda of the meeting if the 36 37 proxy is to be used solely for determining whether a quorum is 38 present for the meeting. If the proxy designates one or more specific items on the agenda of the meeting for which the unit's owner has 39 40 executed the proxy, the proxy must indicate, for each specific item 41 designated in the proxy, whether the holder of the proxy must cast a 42 vote in the affirmative or the negative on behalf of the unit's owner. 43 If the proxy does not indicate whether the holder of the proxy must 44 cast a vote in the affirmative or the negative for a particular item on 45 the agenda of the meeting, the proxy must be treated, with regard to





1 that particular item, as if the unit's owner were present but not 2 voting on that particular item.

3 (e) The holder of the proxy must disclose at the beginning of the 4 meeting for which the proxy is executed and any recessed session of 5 that meeting the number of proxies pursuant to which the holder will 6 be casting votes.

7 5. A proxy terminates immediately after the conclusion of the 8 meeting, and any recessed sessions of the meeting, for which it is 9 executed.

10 6. A vote may not be cast pursuant to a proxy for the election 11 or removal of a member of the executive board of an association.

12 7. The holder of a proxy may not cast a vote on behalf of the 13 unit's owner who executed the proxy in a manner that is contrary to 14 the proxy.

15 8. A proxy is void if the proxy or the holder of the proxy 16 violates any provision of subsections 3 to 7, inclusive.

17 9. [Unless prohibited or limited by the declaration or bylaws,
an] An association may conduct a vote without a meeting [. Except
as otherwise provided in NRS 116B.445 and 116B.450, if] ,

20 including, without limitation, a vote for the election or removal of

a member of the executive board. If an association conducts a vote
 without a meeting, the following requirements apply:

(a) The association shall notify the units' owners that the votewill be taken by ballot.

(b) The association shall deliver a paper or electronic ballot to
every unit's owner entitled to vote on the matter [.] and may allow
the units' owners to vote by using a voting machine. Any such
voting machine must be a mechanical voting system that has been
approved by the Secretary of State in accordance with chapter
293B of NRS and, once voting begins, must be:

31 (1) Located in a prominent place within the common 32 elements of the condominium hotel; and

33 (2) Available for use between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.
34 each day for a period of 15 consecutive days.

(c) The ballot must set forth each proposed action and providean opportunity to vote for or against the action.

(d) When the association delivers the ballots, it shall also:

(1) Indicate the number of responses needed to meet thequorum requirements;

40 (2) State the percentage of votes necessary to approve each
 41 matter other than election of directors;

42 (3) Specify the time and date by which a ballot must be 43 delivered to the association to be counted, which time and date may 44 not be fewer than 3 days after the date the association delivers the 45 ballot; and



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1 (4) Describe the time, date and manner by which units' 2 owners wishing to deliver information to all units' owners regarding 3 the subject of the vote may do so.

4 (e) Except as otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, a 5 ballot is not revoked after delivery to the association by death or 6 disability of or attempted revocation by the person who cast that 7 vote.

8 (f) Approval by ballot pursuant to this subsection is valid only if 9 the number of votes cast by ballot equals or exceeds the quorum 10 required to be present at a meeting authorizing the action.

11 (g) If the vote is for the election or removal of a member of the 12 executive board and the executive board chooses to use electronic 13 voting:

14 (1) If the vote is for the election of a member of the 15 executive board, an association shall send or provide, in the 16 manner and time that ballots are sent or provided pursuant to 17 paragraph (a) of subsection 8 of NRS 116B.445:

18 (I) A paper ballot and a return envelope, prepaid by 19 United States mail, to any unit's owner who has opted out of 20 receiving electronic notices pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 21 116B.513; and

(II) An electronic ballot to any unit's owner who has
 designated an electronic mail address at which to receive notices
 pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 116B.513.

25 (2) If the vote is for the removal of a member of the 26 executive board, the association must send or provide, in the 27 manner and time that ballots are sent or provided pursuant to 28 paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of NRS 116B.450:

(I) A paper ballot and a return envelope, prepaid by
United States mail, to any unit's owner who has opted out of
receiving electronic notices pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS
116B.513; and

(II) An electronic ballot to any unit's owner who has
 designated an electronic mail address at which to receive notices
 pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 116B.513.

36 (3) If the association allows units' owners to vote by using a 37 voting machine, the association must provide to each unit's owner, not less than 15 days before the date on which voting begins, a 38 notice of the opportunity to vote by using a voting machine that 39 40 provides the location at which the voting machine will be available for use and the days and times during which the voting machine 41 42 will be available for use. The association shall also provide with the notice a form that allows a unit's owner to opt out of voting by 43 44 using a voting machine and instead receive a paper ballot. If a 45 unit's owner returns the form to the association within 15 days





after receiving the notice, the association shall send a paper ballot
 and a return envelope, prepaid by United States mail, to the
 mailing address of the unit's owner or to any other mailing
 address designated in writing by the unit's owner.

5 (4) A meeting of the units' owners must be held in the manner set forth in NRS 116B.445 or 116B.450 to open and count 6 7 the paper ballots and review and announce the results obtained 8 from the electronic ballots or voting machine, as applicable, and enter the results into the meeting record. Any paper ballots must 9 be opened and counted in a manner that may be readily observed 10 by the units' owners in attendance at the meeting and must not 11 12 occur privately behind closed doors or in an area that is not open 13 to observation by the units' owners in attendance.

14 (5) Any electronic voting must be conducted by an independent third-party through the use of an online voting 15 system, a voting machine, or both an online voting system and a 16 17 voting machine. The independent third-party shall be deemed to be a data collector pursuant to NRS 603A.030 and is subject to the 18 obligations and liabilities of chapter 603A of NRS with regard to 19 20 the security and privacy of any personal information, as that term 21 is defined in NRS 603A.040, that is provided or maintained 22 through the use of an online voting system or voting machine. The 23 independent third-party conducting the electronic voting may not 24 be any of the following persons and may not share voting results 25 or information with any of the following persons before the 26 meeting held pursuant to subparagraph (4):

27 (I) A candidate for or member of the executive board or 28 an officer of the association;

29 (II) A person who resides in a unit with, is married to, is 30 domestic partners with, or is related by blood, adoption or 31 marriage within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to 32 another person who is a member of the executive board or an 33 officer of the association or performs the duties of a community 34 manager for the association;

35 (III) An officer, employee, agent or director of a 36 corporate owner of a unit, a trustee or designated beneficiary of a 37 trust that owns a unit, a partner of a partnership that owns a unit, 38 a member or manager of a limited-liability company that owns a 39 unit or a fiduciary of an estate that owns a unit if the unit is also 40 owned by another person who is a member of the executive board or an officer of the association or serves as the community 41 42 *manager for the association;*

43 (IV) A person who performs the duties of a community 44 manager for the association, an affiliate of the community 45 manager, an employee of the company by whom the





1 community manager is employed or an affiliate of the company, 2 the spouse of any such person or the parent or child of any such

3 person by blood, adoption or marriage;

4 (V) The declarant of the association or an affiliate of the 5 declarant;

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(VI) A unit's owner or resident of the association; or

7 (VII) Any person who stands to gain any personal profit 8 or compensation of any kind from a matter before the executive 9 board of the association other than payment only for conducting 10 voting services for the association.

10. If the declaration requires that votes on specified matters 12 affecting the condominium hotel must be cast by the lessees of 13 leased units rather than the units' owners who have leased the units:

(a) This section applies to the lessees as if they were the units'owners;

16 (b) The units' owners who have leased their units to the lessees 17 may not cast votes on those specified matters;

18 (c) The lessees are entitled to notice of meetings, access to 19 records and other rights respecting those matters as if they were the 20 units' owners; and

(d) The units' owners must be given notice, in the manner
provided in this chapter, of all meetings at which the lessees are
entitled to vote.

11. If any votes are allocated to a unit that is owned by the association, those votes may not be cast, by proxy or otherwise, for any purpose.

27 12. As used in this section, "online voting system" means an
28 Internet-based voting system with a process that has the ability:
29 (a) To authenticate:

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(1) The identity of a unit's owner; and

31 (2) The validity of each electronic vote to ensure that the 32 vote is not altered in transit;

(b) To enable a unit's owner to transmit an electronic ballot to
the online voting system in a way that ensures the secrecy and
integrity of the ballot;

(c) To transmit an electronic receipt to each unit's owner who
 casts an electronic vote;

(d) To separate any authenticating or identifying information
from an electronic ballot, thereby rendering it impossible to match
an electronic ballot to a specific unit's owner;

41 (e) To store electronic votes and keep them accessible to units'
42 owners and the Office of the Ombudsman for the purposes of
43 recounts, inspections and reviews;

44 (f) To count all lawful votes; and





(g) To identify, reject and record the basis for rejection of all 1 2 unlawful votes, including, without limitation, a vote by a unit's 3 owner whose voting rights have been suspended, a vote by a person who is not a unit's owner and duplicate votes. 4

Sec. 11. NRS 116B.615 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 116B.615 1. Money in the reserve account of an association 7 required by NRS 116B.590 may not be withdrawn without the 8 signatures of at least two members of the executive board or 9 the signatures of at least one member of the executive board and one officer of the association who is not a member of the executive 10 11 board.

12 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, money in the 13 operating account of an association may not be withdrawn without 14 the signatures of at least one member of the executive board or 15 one officer of the association and a member of the executive 16 board, an officer of the association or the community manager.

17 Money in the operating account of an association may be *3*. 18 withdrawn without the signatures required pursuant to subsection 19 2 to:

20 (a) Transfer money to the reserve account of the association at 21 regular intervals: 22

(b) Make automatic payments for utilities;

23 (c) Make automatic payments for the cost of any insurance 24 policies maintained pursuant to NRS 116.3113;

25 (d) Make automatic payments for telecommunications services 26 maintained by the association, including, without limitation, 27 telephone, cable, satellite and Internet services;

28 (e) Make automatic payments for any services to the 29 association that are billed on a monthly, quarterly or annual 30 basis:

31 (f) Make annual payments to the Office of the Ombudsman;

32 (g) Make an electronic transfer of money to a state agency 33 pursuant to NRS 353.1467; or

(h) Make an electronic transfer of money to the United States 34 35 Government, or any agency thereof, pursuant to any federal law 36 requiring transfers of money to be made by an electronic means 37 authorized by the United States Government or the agency thereof. 38 4. An association may use electronic signatures to withdraw

39 money in the operating account of the association if:

40 (a) The electronic transfer of money is made pursuant to a written agreement entered into between the association and the 41 42 financial institution where the operating account of the 43 association is maintained;

44 (b) The executive board has expressly authorized the electronic 45 transfer of money; and



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(c) The association has established internal accounting 1 controls which comply with generally accepted accounting 2 principles to safeguard the assets of the association. 3

5. As used in this section, "electronic transfer of money" has 4 5 the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 353.1467.

Sec. 12. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and 6 approval. 7 8

2. Section 6 of this act becomes effective:

9 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative 10 11 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of that section; 12 and

13 (b) On October 1, 2023, for all other purposes.

Sections 1 to 5, inclusive, and 8 to 11, inclusive, of this act 14 3. become effective on October 1, 2023. 15

Section 7 of this act becomes effective on the effective date 16 4. 17 of the regulations adopted by the Commission for Common-Interest Condominium Hotels 18 Communities and establishing the 19 requirements relating to the transfer of all books, records and other 20 papers of a client upon the termination or assignment of a 21 management agreement pursuant to that section.

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