THE SENATE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2021 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 329

JAN 2 2 2021

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 514B-139, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

3 "[+]\$514B-139[+] Upkeep of condominium; disposition of
4 unclaimed possessions. (a) When personalty in or on the common
5 elements of a project has been abandoned, the board may sell the
6 personalty in a commercially reasonable manner, store the
7 personalty at the expense of its owner, donate the personalty to
8 a charitable organization, or otherwise dispose of the
9 personalty in its sole discretion; provided that:

10 (1) If the identity and address of the owner are known, no 11 sale, storage, [or] donation, or other disposal shall 12 occur until sixty days after the [board complies with 13 the following:

14 (1) The] board notifies the owner in writing of:

15 (A) The identity and location of the personalty; and
16 (B) The board's intent to so sell, store, donate, or
17 dispose of the personalty.



1

Page 2

S.B. NO. 329

1		Notification shall be by certified mail, return
2		receipt requested, to the owner's address as shown by
3		the records of the association or to an address
4		designated by the owner for the purpose of
5		notification or, if neither of these is available, to
6		the owner's last known address, if any; or
7	(2)	If the identity or address of the owner is unknown,
8		the board [shall first advertise the sale, donation,
9		or disposition at least once in a daily paper of
10		general circulation within the circuit in which the
11		personalty is located.] may proceed directly to sell,
12		store, donate, or otherwise dispose of the personalty.
13	(b)	The proceeds of any sale or disposition of personalty
14	under subsection $[(a),](a)(1),$ after deduction of any accrued	
15	costs of mailing, [advertising,] storage, and sale, shall be	
16	held for the owner for thirty days. Any proceeds not claimed	
17	within this period shall become the property of the association.	
18	The proceeds of any sale or disposition of personalty under	
19	subsection (a)(2) shall immediately become the property of the	
20	association."	



2

S.B. NO. 329

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

4



S.B. NO. 329

Report Title:

Condominiums; Board of Directors; Condominium Upkeep; Disposition of Unclaimed Possessions; Proceeds

Description:

Removes the publication requirement and permits the board of directors of a condominium association to proceed directly to the sale, storage, donation, or disposal of personalty that has been abandoned in or on the common elements of a condominium when the identity or address of the owner is unknown.

The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.

