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BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 649

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "Senator Muse" and substitute "Senators Muse and Ramirez"; strike beginning with "repealing" in line 3 down through "change" in line 5 and substitute "requiring a contract for the initial sale of a new home to include a certain provision under certain circumstances; authorizing a seller or a purchaser to declare a certain contract void and of no effect under certain circumstances; requiring a seller to return to a purchaser any deposit paid under a certain contract under certain circumstances".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in lines 18 and 19, strike the brackets; in lines 20 and 21, strike the brackets; in line 21, strike "**THE**"; in the same line, strike the third "the" and substitute ":

(I) THE";

and in line 22, after "accept" insert "; AND

- (II) THE TIME PERIOD WITHIN WHICH THE PURCHASER MUST OBTAIN A WRITTEN COMMITMENT FOR A LOAN.
- (3) IF A PURCHASER DOES NOT OBTAIN A WRITTEN COMMITMENT FOR A LOAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING TERMS RELATING TO THE TIME PERIOD FOR OBTAINING THE WRITTEN COMMITMENT:

- (I) AT THE SELLER'S ELECTION AND ON WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE PURCHASER, THE SELLER MAY DECLARE THE CONTRACT VOID AND OF NO EFFECT; OR
- (II) ON WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE SELLER ACCOMPANIED BY WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION FROM A LENDER EVIDENCING THE PURCHASER'S INABILITY TO OBTAIN A LOAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT, THE PURCHASER MAY DECLARE THE CONTRACT VOID AND OF NO EFFECT.
- (4) THE SELLER SHALL RETURN TO THE PURCHASER ANY DEPOSIT PAID UNDER THE CONTRACT IF:
- (I) THE PURCHASER HAS COMPLIED WITH THE PURCHASER'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CONTRACT; AND
- (II) THE PURCHASER OR THE SELLER HAS DECLARED THE CONTRACT VOID AND OF NO EFFECT UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION".