# CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

# SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2513

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TIMESHARE INTEREST RESERVATIONS

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Passed by the House February 15, 2002 Yeas 98 Nays 0

## FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

#### CERTIFICATE

I, Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2513** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Passed by the Senate March 5, 2002 Yeas 46 Nays 0 CYNTHIA ZEHNDER

Chief Clerk

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

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**By** House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Wood, Clements and Conway)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to timeshare interest reservations; amending RCW
- 2 64.36.070; and adding a new section to chapter 64.36 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 64.36.070 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 22 s 8 are each amended 5 to read as follows:
- 6 Any individual offering timeshare units or timeshare interest
- 7 <u>reservations</u> for the individual's own account or for the account of
- 8 others shall be registered as a timeshare salesperson unless the
- 9 timeshare offering is exempt from registration under RCW 64.36.020.
- 10 Registration may be obtained by filing an application with the
- 11 department of licensing on a form prescribed by the director. The
- 12 director may require that the applicant demonstrate sufficient
- 13 knowledge of the timeshare industry and this chapter. A timeshare
- 14 salesperson who is licensed as a real estate broker or salesperson
- 15 under chapter 18.85 RCW is exempt from the registration requirement of
- 16 this section.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 64.36 RCW
- 18 to read as follows:

- 1 (1) For the purpose of this section, "timeshare interest 2 reservation" means a revocable right to purchase an interest in a 3 timeshare project for which construction has not yet been completed and 4 an effective registration has been obtained under this chapter.
- 5 (2) An effective registration pursuant to this chapter is required for any party to offer to sell a timeshare interest reservation. 6 7 Promoters offering a timeshare interest reservation under this section 8 must provide the registered disclosure document required by RCW 9 64.36.140 to each prospective purchaser before he or she enters into a timeshare interest reservation. Prior to the signing of a purchase 10 agreement, the subject property or properties must be completed, the 11 timeshare offering registration required by RCW 64.36.020 must be 12 13 amended to reflect any changes to the property and must be reapproved by the department, the disclosure document required by RCW 64.36.140 14 15 must be revised, and the new version of the disclosure document must be 16 provided to the prospective purchaser.
  - (3) Deposits accepted by promoters on a timeshare interest reservation may be no more than twenty percent of the total purchase price of the timeshare interest that is being purchased. Within one business day after being accepted by the promoter, any deposit on a timeshare interest reservation shall be deposited in an account in a federally insured depository located in the state of Washington. This account must be an escrow account wherein the deposited funds are held for the benefit of the purchaser. The department may request that deposits be placed in impoundment under RCW 64.36.130.
- (4) In addition to the cancellation rights provided in RCW 64.36.150, the purchaser has the right to cancel the purchase at any time before the signing of a purchase agreement. If the purchaser notifies the promoter that he or she wishes to cancel the timeshare interest reservation, the promoter must refund the full amount of the deposit minus any account fees within ten days of the notice.
- (5) If prior to signing a purchase agreement the purchaser learns that the promoter proposes to raise the purchase price above the price agreed to in the written reservation agreement for the timeshare interest reservation, the written reservation agreement is void and all deposit moneys including account fees shall be returned to the purchaser within ten days after the purchaser learns of the proposed price increase.

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- 1 (6) If the promoter charges account fees to pay for administrative 2 costs of holding the purchaser's funds in escrow, these fees may be no 3 more than one percent of the total deposit paid towards the timeshare 4 interest reservation by the purchaser.
- 5 (7) The promoter shall provide instructions to the escrow company 6 for release of the funds to be held in escrow in compliance with this 7 section and rules of the department.
- 8 (8) The purchaser's right to cancel and the amount of the deposit 9 proposed to be retained for account fees in the event of cancellation 10 must be included in the contract for the sale of a timeshare interest 11 reservation and the contract must state:

## 12 PURCHASER CANCELLATION RIGHTS

- As a purchaser of a timeshare interest reservation, you have the right 13 14 to cancel this timeshare interest reservation and receive a refund of all consideration paid (less only those account fee deductions which 15 were fully disclosed at the time of the agreement) by providing written 16 notice of the cancellation to the promoter or the promoter's agent at 17 any time prior to signing a purchase agreement. You also have a right 18 19 to cancel your purchase within seven days of signing a purchase 20 agreement.
- (9) If it appears that the timeshare project will become or does become insolvent prior to completion, the promoter shall instruct the escrow company to immediately return all deposits to purchasers of timeshare interest reservations. If funds are returned under this subsection, the promoter may not retain any portion of the deposits for account fees.

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