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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:

3	"Sec. 1. RCW 64.32.170 and 1965 ex.s. c 11 s 5 are each amended
4	to read as follows:
5	((The manager or board of directors, as the case may be, shall
6	keep complete and accurate books and records of the receipts and
7	expenditures affecting the common areas and facilities, specifying
8	and itemizing the maintenance and repair expenses of the common areas
9	and facilities and any other expenses incurred. Such books and
10	records and the vouchers authorizing payments shall be available for
11	examination by the apartment owners, their agents or attorneys, at
12	any reasonable time or times.)) (1) An association of apartment
13	owners must retain the following:
14	(a) The current budget, detailed records of receipts and
15	expenditures affecting the operation and administration of the
16	association, and other appropriate accounting records within the last
17	seven years;
18	(b) Minutes of all meetings of its apartment owners and board
19	other than executive sessions, a record of all actions taken by the
20	apartment owners or board without a meeting, and a record of all
21	actions taken by a committee in place of the board on behalf of the
22	association;
23	(c) The names of current apartment owners, addresses used by the
24	association to communicate with them, and the number of votes
25	allocated to each apartment;
26	(d) Its original or restated declaration, organizational
27	documents, all amendments to the declaration and organizational
28	documents, and all rules currently in effect;
29	(e) All financial statements and tax returns of the association
30	for the past seven years;
31	(f) A list of the names and addresses of its current board
32	members and officers;

1	(g) Its most recent annual report delivered to the secretary of
2	state, if any;
3	(h) Copies of contracts to which it is or was a party within the
4	<u>last seven years;</u>
5	(i) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee to
6	approve or deny any requests for design or architectural approval for
7	a period of seven years after the decision is made;
8	(j) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee
9	concerning a decision to enforce the governing documents for a period
10	of seven years after the decision is made;
11	(k) Copies of insurance policies under which the association is a
12	named insured;
13	(1) Any current warranties provided to the association;
14	(m) Copies of all notices provided to apartment owners or the
15	association in accordance with this chapter or the governing
16	documents; and
17	(n) Ballots, proxies, absentee ballots, and other records related
18	to voting by apartment owners for one year after the election,
19	action, or vote to which they relate.
20	(2)(a) Subject to subsections (3) through (5) of this section,
21	and except as provided in (b) of this subsection, all records
22	required to be retained by an association of apartment owners must be
23	made available for examination and copying by all apartment owners,
24	holders of mortgages on the apartments, and their respective
25	authorized agents as follows, unless agreed otherwise:
26	(i) During reasonable business hours or at a mutually convenient
27	time and location; and
28	(ii) At the offices of the association or its managing agent.
29	(b) The list of apartment owners required to be retained by an
30	association under subsection (1)(c) of this section is not required
31	to be made available for examination and copying by holders of
32	mortgages on the apartments.
33	(3) Records retained by an association of apartment owners must
34	have the following information redacted or otherwise removed prior to
35	<u>disclosure:</u>
36	(a) Personnel and medical records relating to specific
37	individuals;
38	(b) Contracts, leases, and other commercial transactions to
39	purchase or provide goods or services currently being negotiated;

1	(c) Existing or potential litigation or mediation, arbitration,
2	or administrative proceedings;
3	(d) Existing or potential matters involving federal, state, or
4	local administrative or other formal proceedings before a
5	governmental tribunal for enforcement of the governing documents;
6	(e) Legal advice or communications that are otherwise protected
7	by the attorney-client privilege or the attorney work product
8	doctrine, including communications with the managing agent or other
9	agent of the association;
10	(f) Information the disclosure of which would violate a court
11	<u>order or law;</u>
12	(g) Records of an executive session of the board;
13	(h) Individual apartment files other than those of the requesting
14	apartment owner;
15	(i) Unlisted telephone number or electronic address of any
16	apartment owner or resident;
17	(j) Security access information provided to the association for
18	emergency purposes; or
19	(k) Agreements that for good cause prohibit disclosure to the
20	members.
21	(4) In addition to the requirements in subsection (3) of this
22	section, an association of apartment owners must, prior to disclosure
23	of the list of apartment owners required to be retained by an
24	association under subsection (1)(c) of this section, redact or
25	otherwise remove the address of any apartment owner or resident who
26	is known to the association to be a participant in the address
27	confidentiality program described in chapter 40.24 RCW or any similar
28	program established by law.
29	(5)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, an
30	association of apartment owners may charge a reasonable fee for
31	producing and providing copies of any records under this section and
32	for supervising the apartment owner's inspection.
33	(b) An apartment owner is entitled to receive a free annual
34	electronic or paper copy of the list retained under subsection (1)(c)
35	of this section from the association.
36	(6) A right to copy records under this section includes the right
37	to receive copies by photocopying or other means, including through
38	an electronic transmission if available upon request by the apartment
39	<u>owner.</u>

- 1 <u>(7) An association of apartment owners is not obligated to</u> 2 <u>compile or synthesize information.</u>
- 3 (8) Information provided pursuant to this section may not be used
   4 for commercial purposes.

5 <u>(9) An association of apartment owner's managing agent must</u> 6 <u>deliver all of the association's original books and records to the</u> 7 <u>association immediately upon termination of its management</u> 8 <u>relationship with the association, or upon such other demand as is</u> 9 <u>made by the board. An association managing agent may keep copies of</u> 10 <u>the association records at its own expense.</u>

11 (10) All books and records shall be kept in accordance with good 12 accounting procedures and be audited at least once a year by an 13 auditor outside of the organization.

14 (11) This section applies to records in the possession of the 15 association on the effective date of this section, and to records 16 created or maintained after the effective date of this section. An 17 association has no liability under this section for records disposed 18 of prior to the effective date of this section.

19 Sec. 2. RCW 64.34.372 and 1992 c 220 s 19 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

21 (1) The association shall keep financial records sufficiently 22 detailed to enable the association to comply with RCW 64.34.425. All financial and other records of the association, including but not 23 24 limited to checks, bank records, and invoices, are the property of the association((, but shall be made reasonably available for 25 examination and copying by the manager of the association, any unit 26 27 owner, or the owner's authorized agents)). At least annually, the 28 association shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a financial statement of the association in accordance with generally accepted 29 30 accounting principles. The financial statements of condominiums 31 consisting of ((fifty)) 50 or more units shall be audited at least annually by a certified public accountant. In the case of a 32 condominium consisting of fewer than ((fifty)) 50 units, an annual 33 audit is also required but may be waived annually by unit owners 34 other than the declarant of units to which ((sixty)) 60 percent of 35 the votes are allocated, excluding the votes allocated to units owned 36 37 by the declarant.

38 (2) The funds of an association shall be kept in accounts in the
 39 name of the association and shall not be commingled with the funds of
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1 any other association, nor with the funds of any manager of the 2 association or any other person responsible for the custody of such 3 funds. Any reserve funds of an association shall be kept in a 4 segregated account and any transaction affecting such funds, 5 including the issuance of checks, shall require the signature of at 6 least two persons who are officers or directors of the association.

(3) An association must retain the following:

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8 <u>(a) The current budget, detailed records of receipts and</u> 9 <u>expenditures affecting the operation and administration of the</u> 10 <u>association, and other appropriate accounting records within the last</u> 11 <u>seven years;</u>

12 (b) Minutes of all meetings of its unit owners and board other 13 than executive sessions, a record of all actions taken by the unit 14 owners or board without a meeting, and a record of all actions taken 15 by a committee in place of the board on behalf of the association;

16 <u>(c) The names of current unit owners, addresses used by the</u> 17 <u>association to communicate with them, and the number of votes</u> 18 <u>allocated to each unit;</u>

19 (d) Its original or restated declaration, organizational 20 documents, all amendments to the declaration and organizational 21 documents, and all rules currently in effect;

22 (e) All financial statements and tax returns of the association 23 for the past seven years;

24 (f) A list of the names and addresses of its current board 25 members and officers;

26 (g) Its most recent annual report delivered to the secretary of 27 state, if any;

28 (h) Copies of contracts to which it is or was a party within the 29 last seven years;

30 (i) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee to 31 approve or deny any requests for design or architectural approval for 32 a period of seven years after the decision is made;

33 (j) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee 34 concerning a decision to enforce the governing documents for a period 35 of seven years after the decision is made;

36 <u>(k) Copies of insurance policies under which the association is a</u> 37 <u>named insured;</u>

38 (1) Any current warranties provided to the association;

1	(m) Copies of all notices provided to unit owners or the
2	association in accordance with this chapter or the governing
3	documents; and
4	(n) Ballots, proxies, absentee ballots, and other records related
5	to voting by unit owners for one year after the election, action, or
6	vote to which they relate.
7	(4)(a) Subject to subsections (5) through (7) of this section,
8	and except as provided in (b) of this subsection, all records
9	required to be retained by an association must be made available for
10	examination and copying by all unit owners, holders of mortgages on
11	the units, and their respective authorized agents as follows, unless
12	agreed otherwise:
13	(i) During reasonable business hours or at a mutually convenient
14	time and location; and
15	(ii) At the offices of the association or its managing agent.
16	(b) The list of unit owners required to be retained by an
17	association under subsection (3)(c) of this section is not required
18	to be made available for examination and copying by holders of
19	mortgages on the units.
20	(5) Records retained by an association must have the following
21	information redacted or otherwise removed prior to disclosure:
22	(a) Personnel and medical records relating to specific
23	individuals;
24	(b) Contracts, leases, and other commercial transactions to
25	purchase or provide goods or services currently being negotiated;
26	(c) Existing or potential litigation or mediation, arbitration,
27	or administrative proceedings;
28	(d) Existing or potential matters involving federal, state, or
29	local administrative or other formal proceedings before a
30	governmental tribunal for enforcement of the governing documents;
31	(e) Legal advice or communications that are otherwise protected
32	by the attorney-client privilege or the attorney work product
33	doctrine, including communications with the managing agent or other
34	agent of the association;
35	(f) Information the disclosure of which would violate a court
36	<u>order or law;</u>
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	(g) Records of an executive session of the board;
38	(g) Records of an executive session of the board; (h) Individual unit files other than those of the requesting unit

1	(i) Unlisted telephone number or electronic address of any unit
2	<u>owner or resident;</u>
3	(j) Security access information provided to the association for
4	emergency purposes; or
5	(k) Agreements that for good cause prohibit disclosure to the
6	members.
7	(6) In addition to the requirements in subsection (5) of this
8	section, an association must, prior to disclosure of the list of unit
9	owners required to be retained by an association under subsection
10	(3)(c) of this section, redact or otherwise remove the address of any
11	unit owner or resident who is known to the association to be a
12	participant in the address confidentiality program described in
13	chapter 40.24 RCW or any similar program established by law.
14	(7)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, an
15	association may charge a reasonable fee for producing and providing
16	copies of any records under this section and for supervising the unit
17	owner's inspection.
18	(b) A unit owner is entitled to receive a free annual electronic
19	or paper copy of the list retained under subsection (3)(c) of this
20	section from the association.
21	(8) A right to copy records under this section includes the right
22	to receive copies by photocopying or other means, including through
23	an electronic transmission if available upon request by the unit
24	<u>owner.</u>
25	(9) An association is not obligated to compile or synthesize
26	information.
27	(10) Information provided pursuant to this section may not be
28	used for commercial purposes.
29	(11) An association's managing agent must deliver all of the
30	association's original books and records to the association
31	immediately upon termination of its management relationship with the
32	association, or upon such other demand as is made by the board. An
33	association managing agent may keep copies of the association records
34	<u>at its own expense.</u>
35	(12) This section applies to records in the possession of the
36	association on the effective date of this section, and to records
37	created or maintained after the effective date of this section. An
38	association has no liability under this section for records disposed
39	of prior to the effective date of this section.

1 Sec. 3. RCW 64.38.045 and 1995 c 283 s 9 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

(1) The association or its managing agent shall keep financial 3 and other records sufficiently detailed to enable the association to 4 fully declare to each owner the true statement of its financial 5 6 status. All financial and other records of the association, including but not limited to checks, bank records, and invoices, in whatever 7 form they are kept, are the property of the association. Each 8 association managing agent shall turn over all original books and 9 records to the association immediately upon termination of the 10 management relationship with the association, or upon such other 11 12 demand as is made by the board of directors. An association managing agent is entitled to keep copies of association records. All records 13 which the managing agent has turned over to the association shall be 14 made reasonably available for the examination and copying by the 15 16 managing agent.

17 (2) ((All records of the association, including the names and addresses of owners and other occupants of the lots, shall be 18 available for examination by all owners, holders of mortgages on the 19 lots, and their respective authorized agents on reasonable advance 20 notice during normal working hours at the offices of the association 21 or its managing agent. The association shall not release the unlisted 22 23 telephone number of any owner. The association may impose and collect a reasonable charge for copies and any reasonable costs incurred by 24 25 the association in providing access to records.

(3)) At least annually, the association shall prepare, or cause 26 27 to be prepared, a financial statement of the association. The 28 financial statements of associations with annual assessments of ((fifty thousand dollars)) \$50,000 or more shall be audited at least 29 annually by an independent certified public accountant, but the audit 30 31 may be waived if ((sixty-seven)) 67 percent of the votes cast by 32 owners, in person or by proxy, at a meeting of the association at which a quorum is present, vote each year to waive the audit. 33

34 (((4))) (3) The funds of the association shall be kept in 35 accounts in the name of the association and shall not be commingled 36 with the funds of any other association, nor with the funds of any 37 manager of the association or any other person responsible for the 38 custody of such funds.

39 (4) An association must retain the following:

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1	(a) The current budget, detailed records of receipts and
2	expenditures affecting the operation and administration of the
3	association, and other appropriate accounting records within the last
4	seven years;
5	(b) Minutes of all meetings of its owners and board other than
6	executive sessions, a record of all actions taken by the owners or
7	board without a meeting, and a record of all actions taken by a
8	committee in place of the board on behalf of the association;
9	(c) The names of current owners, addresses used by the
10	association to communicate with them, and the number of votes
11	<u>allocated to each lot;</u>
12	(d) Its original or restated declaration, organizational
13	documents, all amendments to the declaration and organizational
14	documents, and all rules currently in effect;
15	(e) All financial statements and tax returns of the association
16	for the past seven years;
17	(f) A list of the names and addresses of its current board
18	<pre>members and officers;</pre>
19	(g) Its most recent annual report delivered to the secretary of
20	<pre>state, if any; (b) Consists of contracts to which it is an accurate within the</pre>
21	(h) Copies of contracts to which it is or was a party within the
22 23	last seven years;
23 24	(i) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee to
	approve or deny any requests for design or architectural approval for
25	a period of seven years after the decision is made;
26	(j) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee
27	concerning a decision to enforce the governing documents for a period
28 29	of seven years after the decision is made;
	(k) Copies of insurance policies under which the association is a
30 31	<pre>named insured; (1) Any current warranties provided to the association;</pre>
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33	(m) Copies of all notices provided to owners or the association
	in accordance with this chapter or the governing documents; and
34 35	(n) Ballots, proxies, absentee ballots, and other records related
	to voting by owners for one year after the election, action, or vote
36	to which they relate.
37	(5) (a) Subject to subsections (6) through (8) of this section,
38 30	and except as provided in (b) of this subsection, all records
39 40	required to be retained by an association must be made available for
40	examination and copying by all owners, holders of mortgages on the

1	lots, and their respective authorized agents as follows, unless
1 2	agreed otherwise:
3	(i) During reasonable business hours or at a mutually convenient
4	time and location; and
5	(ii) At the offices of the association or its managing agent.
6	(b) The list of owners required to be retained by an association
0 7	<u>under subsection (4)(c) of this section is not required to be made</u>
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o 9	available for examination and copying by holders of mortgages on the
	<u>lots.</u>
10	(6) Records retained by an association must have the following
11	information redacted or otherwise removed prior to disclosure:
12	(a) Personnel and medical records relating to specific
13	individuals;
14	(b) Contracts, leases, and other commercial transactions to
15	purchase or provide goods or services currently being negotiated;
16	(c) Existing or potential litigation or mediation, arbitration,
17	or administrative proceedings;
18	(d) Existing or potential matters involving federal, state, or
19	local administrative or other formal proceedings before a
20	governmental tribunal for enforcement of the governing documents;
21	(e) Legal advice or communications that are otherwise protected
22	by the attorney-client privilege or the attorney work product
23	doctrine, including communications with the managing agent or other
24	agent of the association;
25	(f) Information the disclosure of which would violate a court
26	<u>order or law;</u>
27	(g) Records of an executive session of the board;
28	(h) Individual lot files other than those of the requesting
29	<u>owner;</u>
30	(i) Unlisted telephone number or electronic address of any owner
31	<u>or resident;</u>
32	(j) Security access information provided to the association for
33	emergency purposes; or
34	(k) Agreements that for good cause prohibit disclosure to the
35	members.
36	(7) In addition to the requirements in subsection (6) of this
37	section, an association must, prior to disclosure of the list of
38	owners required to be retained by an association under subsection
39	(4)(c) of this section, redact or otherwise remove the address of any
40	owner or resident who is known to the association to be a participant
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1 in the address confidentiality program described in chapter 40.24 RCW 2 or any similar program established by law. 3 (8) (a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, an association may charge a reasonable fee for producing and providing 4 copies of any records under this section and for supervising the 5 6 owner's inspection. 7 (b) An owner is entitled to receive a free annual electronic or paper copy of the list retained under subsection (4)(c) of this 8 section from the association. 9 (9) A right to copy records under this section includes the right 10 to receive copies by photocopying or other means, including through 11 12 an electronic transmission if available upon request by the owner. (10) An association is not obligated to compile or synthesize 13 14 information. (11) Information provided pursuant to this section may not be 15 16 used for commercial purposes. 17 (12) An association's managing agent must deliver all of the association's original books and records to the association 18 19 immediately upon termination of its management relationship with the association, or upon such other demand as is made by the board. An 20 21 association managing agent may keep copies of the association records 22 at its own expense. 23 (13) This section applies to records in the possession of the association on the effective date of this section, and to records 24 25 created or maintained after the effective date of this section. An association has no liability under this section for records disposed 26 of prior to the effective date of this section. 27

28 Sec. 4. RCW 64.90.495 and 2018 c 277 s 320 are each amended to 29 read as follows:

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(1) An association must retain the following:

31 (a) The current budget, detailed records of receipts and 32 expenditures affecting the operation and administration of the 33 association, and other appropriate accounting records within the last 34 seven years;

35 (b) Minutes of all meetings of its unit owners and board other 36 than executive sessions, a record of all actions taken by the unit 37 owners or board without a meeting, and a record of all actions taken 38 by a committee in place of the board on behalf of the association;

1 (c) The names of current unit owners, addresses used by the 2 association to communicate with them, and the number of votes 3 allocated to each unit;

4 (d) Its original or restated declaration, organizational
5 documents, all amendments to the declaration and organizational
6 documents, and all rules currently in effect;

7 (e) All financial statements and tax returns of the association8 for the past seven years;

9 (f) A list of the names and addresses of its current board 10 members and officers;

(g) Its most recent annual report delivered to the secretary of state, if any;

13 (h) Financial and other records sufficiently detailed to enable 14 the association to comply with RCW 64.90.640;

(i) Copies of contracts to which it is or was a party within the last seven years;

(j) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee to approve or deny any requests for design or architectural approval for a period of seven years after the decision is made;

20 (k) Materials relied upon by the board or any committee 21 concerning a decision to enforce the governing documents for a period 22 of seven years after the decision is made;

(1) Copies of insurance policies under which the association is a named insured;

25 (m) Any current warranties provided to the association;

26 (n) Copies of all notices provided to unit owners or the 27 association in accordance with this chapter or the governing 28 documents; and

(o) Ballots, proxies, absentee ballots, and other records related
to voting by unit owners for one year after the election, action, or
vote to which they relate.

32 (2)(a) Subject to subsections (3) ((and (4))) through (5) of this 33 section, and except as provided in (b) of this subsection, all 34 records required to be retained by an association must be made 35 available for examination and copying by all unit owners, holders of 36 mortgages on the units, and their respective authorized agents as 37 follows, unless agreed otherwise:

38 ((<del>(a)</del>)) <u>(i)</u> During reasonable business hours or at a mutually 39 convenient time and location; and

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1 (((<del>(b)</del>)) (<u>(ii)</u> At the offices of the association or its managing 2 agent. 3 (b) The list of unit owners required to be retained by an association under subsection (1) (c) of this section is not required 4 to be made available for examination and copying by holders of 5 6 mortgages on the units. (3) Records retained by an association ((may be withheld from 7 inspection and copying to the extent that they concern)) must have 8 the following information redacted or otherwise removed prior to 9 disclosure: 10 Personnel and medical records relating to specific 11 (a) 12 individuals; (b) Contracts, leases, and other commercial transactions to 13 purchase or provide goods or services currently being negotiated; 14 (c) Existing or potential litigation or mediation, arbitration, 15 16 or administrative proceedings; 17 (d) Existing or potential matters involving federal, state, or 18 local administrative or other formal proceedings before a governmental tribunal for enforcement of the governing documents; 19 (e) Legal advice or communications that are otherwise protected 20 by the attorney-client privilege or the attorney work product 21 22 doctrine, including communications with the managing agent or other agent of the association; 23 (f) Information the disclosure of which would violate a court 24 25 order or law; 26 (q) Records of an executive session of the board; 27 (h) Individual unit files other than those of the requesting unit 28 owner; 29 (i) Unlisted telephone number or electronic address of any unit 30 owner or resident; 31 (j) Security access information provided to the association for 32 emergency purposes; or 33 (k) Agreements that for good cause prohibit disclosure to the 34 members. (4) In addition to the requirements in subsection (3) of this 35 36 section, an association must, prior to disclosure of the list of unit owners required to be retained by an association under subsection 37 (1) (c) of this section, redact or otherwise remove the address of any 38 39 unit owner or resident who is known to the association to be a

1 participant in the address confidentiality program described in

2 <u>chapter 40.24 RCW or any similar program established by law.</u>

3 ((An)) (5)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, an 4 association may charge a reasonable fee for producing and providing 5 copies of any records under this section and for supervising the unit 6 owner's inspection.

7 (b) A unit owner is entitled to receive a free annual electronic 8 or paper copy of the list retained under subsection (1)(c) of this 9 section from the association.

10 ((<del>(5)</del>)) <u>(6)</u> A right to copy records under this section includes 11 the right to receive copies by photocopying or other means, including 12 through an electronic transmission if available upon request by the 13 unit owner.

14 (((-6))) (7) An association is not obligated to compile or 15 synthesize information.

16 (((-7))) (8) Information provided pursuant to this section may not 17 be used for commercial purposes.

18 ((<del>(8)</del>)) <u>(9)</u> An association's managing agent must deliver all of 19 the association's original books and records to the association 20 immediately upon termination of its management relationship with the 21 association, or upon such other demand as is made by the board. An 22 association managing agent may keep copies of the association records 23 at its own expense."

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On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "communities;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 64.32.170, 64.34.372, 64.38.045, and 64.90.495."

EFFECT: Requires all common interest communities to follow the recordkeeping requirements under the Washington Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act (WUCIOA) for all records in the possession of the association on the effective date of the act, and created or maintained by the association after the effective date of the act. Exempts associations from liability for records disposed of prior to the effective date of the act.

Allows unit owners of common interest communities to receive a free annual electronic or paper copy of the list of unit owners retained by the common interest community association.

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