

RICK SCOTT GOVERNOR

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Secretary Ken Lawson Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation 1940 North Monroe Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Secretary Lawson:

I am deeply concerned about a matter affecting Florida condominium owners throughout the state. It has come to my attention a law passed in 2007, under the previous administration, changed the requirements of optional condominium terminations. The law appears to have negatively impacted a number of families throughout the state, leading to the loss of their homesteaded property, and in many instances, resulting in the financial burden of remaining mortgage debt after the sale of their condominium.

This 2007 law does not provide the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation with the authority to regulate condominium terminations. As the secretary of DBPR, which houses the Division of Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes, I ask that you review the matter thoroughly and develop recommendations for how we can work with the Florida Legislature in the upcoming session to help Floridians negatively affected by this 2007 law.

I look forward to hearing from DBPR to work towards viable solutions that ensure we are protecting the best interests of all Florida condominium owners.

Sincerely

Rick Scott

Governor