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#### SYNOPSIS

Requires limited liability company to disclose ownership information when submitting deed for recording.

### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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AN ACT enhancing transparency of certain real estate transfers, 1 2 amending P.L.1968, c.49, and supplementing P.L.2012, c.50 3 (C.42:2C-1 et seq.). 4 5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 6 of New Jersey: 7 8 1. Section 2 of P.L.1968, c.49 (C.46:15-6) is amended to read 9 as follows: 10 2. In addition to other prerequisites for recording, no deed evidencing transfer of title to real property shall be recorded in the 11 12 office of any county recording officer unless it satisfies the 13 following requirements: 14 a. If the transfer is subject to any fee established under section 15 3 of P.L.1968, c.49 (C.46:15-7) or section 2 of P.L.2003, c.113 (C.46:15-7.1), a statement of the true consideration for the transfer 16 17 shall be contained in the deed, the acknowledgment, the proof of the 18 execution, or an appended affidavit by one of the parties to the deed 19 or that party's legal representative. b. If the transfer is exempt from any fee established under 20 section 3 of P.L.1968, c.49 (C.46:15-7) or section 2 of P.L.2003, 21 22 c.113 (C.46:15-7.1), an affidavit stating the basis for the exemption 23 shall be appended to the deed. 24 If the transfer is of real property upon which there is new c. 25 construction, the words "NEW CONSTRUCTION" in upper case 26 lettering shall be printed clearly at the top of the first page of the 27 deed, and an affidavit by the grantor stating that the transfer is of 28 property upon which there is new construction shall be appended to 29 the deed. 30 d. If the transfer is of residential real property containing one to four dwelling units to or from a limited liability company or 31 32 foreign limited liability company, an affidavit identifying the 33 members, managers, and other authorized persons of the company, 34 as required pursuant to section 2 or section 3 of P.L., c. (C.) 35 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), shall be appended to 36 the deed. 37 (cf: P.L.2004, c.66, s.2) 38 39 2. (New section) When a limited liability company is the grantor or grantee of a deed for residential real property containing 40 one to four dwelling units, together with the deed, the company 41 42 shall submit for recording an affidavit disclosing the names and 43 business addresses of all members, managers, and any other 44 authorized persons, if any, of the limited liability company or, if 45 none, the names and business addresses of all shareholders, 46 directors, officers, members, managers, and partners of any limited 47 liability company or other business entity that are to be the

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members, managers, or authorized persons, if any, of such limited 1 2 liability company. If any member, manager, or authorized person of 3 the limited liability company is itself a limited liability company or 4 other business entity, the affidavit shall disclose the names and 5 addresses of the shareholders, directors, officers, members, 6 managers, and partners of the limited liability company or other 7 business entity until full disclosure of ultimate ownership by natural 8 persons is achieved.

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10 3. (New section) When a foreign limited liability company is 11 the grantor or grantee of a deed for residential real property 12 containing one to four dwelling units, together with the deed, the company shall submit for recording, an affidavit disclosing the 13 14 names and business addresses of all members, managers, and any 15 other authorized persons, if any, of the foreign limited liability 16 company or, if none, the names and business addresses of all 17 shareholders, directors, officers, members, managers, and partners 18 of any foreign limited liability company or other business entity that 19 are to be the members, managers, or authorized persons, if any, of 20 that foreign limited liability company. If any member, manager, or 21 authorized person of the foreign limited liability company is itself a 22 foreign limited liability company or other business entity, the 23 affidavit shall disclose the names and addresses of the shareholders, 24 directors, officers, members, managers, and partners of the foreign 25 limited liability company or other business entity until full 26 disclosure of ultimate ownership by natural persons is achieved.

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4. This act shall take effect immediately

## STATEMENT

This bill would require a limited liability company or foreign limited liability company that is the grantor or grantee of a deed for residential real property containing one to four dwelling units to disclose the individual members of the company when it files a deed for recording.

37 Under this circumstance, the bill requires a company to submit 38 for recording, together with the deed, an affidavit identifying the 39 names and business addresses of all members, managers, and 40 authorized persons of the company, or, if none, the names and 41 business addresses of all shareholders, directors, officers, members, 42 managers, and partners of any business entity that is to be a 43 member, manager, or authorized person of the company. If any 44 member, manager, or authorized person of the company is a 45 business entity, the bill requires disclosure of all shareholders, 46 directors, officers, members, managers, and partners of the business 47 entity until full disclosure of ultimate ownership by natural persons 48 is achieved.