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- AN ACT Relating to the rescission of a trustee's foreclosure sale;
- 2 and amending RCW 61.24.050.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 61.24.050 and 1998 c 295 s 7 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
 - ((When delivered)) (1) Upon physical delivery of the trustee's deed to the purchaser, or a different grantee as designated by the purchaser following the trustee's sale, the trustee's deed shall convey all of the right, title, and interest in the real and personal property sold at the trustee's sale which the grantor had or had the power to convey at the time of the execution of the deed of trust, and such as the grantor may have thereafter acquired. Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, if the trustee accepts a bid, then the trustee's sale is final as of the date and time of such acceptance if the trustee's deed is recorded within fifteen days thereafter. After a trustee's sale, no person shall have any right, by statute or otherwise, to redeem the property sold at the trustee's sale.
- 18 (2)(a) Up to the eleventh day following the trustee's sale, the

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trustee, beneficiary, or agent for the beneficiary may declare the trustee's sale and trustee's deed void for the following reasons:

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- (i) The trustee, beneficiary, or servicer for the beneficiary assert that there was an error with the trustee foreclosure sale process including, but not limited to, an erroneous opening bid amount made by or on behalf of the foreclosing beneficiary at the trustee's sale;
- (ii) The borrower and beneficiary, or servicer for the beneficiary, had agreed in writing prior to the trustee's sale to a loan modification agreement, forbearance plan, shared appreciation mortgage, or other loss mitigation agreement to postpone or discontinue the trustee's sale; or
- (iii) The beneficiary or servicer for the beneficiary had accepted funds that fully reinstated or satisfied the loan even if the beneficiary or servicer for the beneficiary had no legal duty to do so.
- (b) This subsection does not impose a duty upon the trustee any different than the obligations set forth under RCW 61.24.010 (3) and (4).
 - (3) The trustee shall refund the bid amount together with interest for the time period between the date that the trustee received the money and the third day following the postmarked mailing of the refunded bid amount to the purchaser or the date that the refunded bid amount was physically delivered by the trustee to the purchaser, whichever date is sooner. Interest must be calculated at the maximum rate permitted under RCW 19.52.020(1) in effect on the date of the rescinded trustee sale.
 - (4) No later than fifteen days following the voided trustee's sale date, the trustee shall send a notice in substantially the following form by first-class mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, to all parties entitled to notice under RCW 61.24.040(1) (b) through (e):

NOTICE OF RESCISSION OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the trustee's sale that occurred on (trustee's sale date) is rescinded and declared void because (insert the applicable reason(s) permitted under RCW 61.24.050(2)(a)).
- The trustee's sale occurred pursuant to that certain Notice of Trustee's Sale dated , recorded , . . . under

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1	Auditor's File No , records of County, Washington, and
2	that certain Deed of Trust dated, recorded
3	., under Auditor's File No, records of County,
4	Washington, from, as Grantor, to, as, as
5	original Beneficiary, concerning the following described property,
6	situated in the County(ies) of State of Washington, to wit:
7	(Legal description)
8	Commonly known as (common property address)
9	(5) If the reason for the rescission stems from subsection (2)(a)
10	(i) or (ii) of this section, the trustee may set a new sale date not
11	less than forty-five days following the mailing of the notice of
12	rescission of trustee's sale. The trustee shall:
13	(a) Comply with the requirements of RCW 61.24.040(1) (a) through
14	(f) at least thirty days before the new sale date; and
15	(b) Cause a copy of the notice of trustee's sale as provided in RCW
16	61.24.040(1)(f) to be published in a legal newspaper in each county in
17	which the property or any part of the property is situated, once
18	between the thirty-fifth and twenty-eighth day before the sale and once
19	between the fourteenth and seventh day before the sale.

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