

325N.10 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of sections 325N.10 to 325N.18, the terms defined in this section have the meanings given them.

Subd. 2. **Foreclosed homeowner.** "Foreclosed homeowner" means an owner of residential real property, including a condominium, or an owner of real property that is principally used for farming as defined in section 500.24, subdivision 2, that is the primary residence of the owner and whose mortgage on the real property is or was in foreclosure.

Subd. 3. **Foreclosure reconveyance.** "Foreclosure reconveyance" means a transaction involving:

(1) the transfer of title to real property by a foreclosed homeowner during a foreclosure proceeding, either by transfer of interest from the foreclosed homeowner or by creation of a mortgage or other lien or encumbrance during the foreclosure process that allows the acquirer to obtain title to the property by redeeming the property as a junior lienholder; and

(2) the subsequent conveyance, or promise of a subsequent conveyance, of an interest back to the foreclosed homeowner by the acquirer or a person acting in participation with the acquirer that allows the foreclosed homeowner to possess either the residence in foreclosure or other real property, which interest includes, but is not limited to, an interest in a contract for deed, purchase agreement, option to purchase, or lease.

Subd. 4. **Foreclosure purchaser.** "Foreclosure purchaser" means a person that has acted as the acquirer in a foreclosure reconveyance. Foreclosure purchaser also includes a person that has acted in joint venture or joint enterprise with one or more acquirers in a foreclosure reconveyance. A foreclosure purchaser does not include: (i) a natural person who shows that the natural person is not in the business of foreclosure purchasing and has a prior personal relationship with the foreclosed homeowner, or (ii) a federal or state chartered bank, savings bank, thrift, or credit union.

Subd. 5. **Resale.** "Resale" means a bona fide market sale of the property subject to the foreclosure reconveyance by the foreclosure purchaser to an unaffiliated third party.

Subd. 6. **Resale price.** "Resale price" means the gross sale price of the property on resale.

Subd. 7. **Residence in foreclosure.** "Residence in foreclosure" means residential real property consisting of one to four family dwelling units, one of which the owner occupies as the owner's principal place of residence, or real property that is principally used for farming, as defined in section 500.24, subdivision 2, whether or not parcels are contiguous, so long as the owner occupies one of the parcels as the owner's principal place of residence, where there is a delinquency or default on any loan payment or debt secured by or attached to the real property, including, but not limited to, contract for deed payments.

History: 2004 c 263 s 10,26; 2007 c 106 s 4-6,22; 2008 c 341 art 5 s 23; 2015 c 44 s 33,34; 2015 c 50 s 2,3