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Introduced by M. of A. KEARNS, JAFFEE, STECK, GABRYSZAK, ROBINSON, SCAR-BOROUGH, SCHIMEL -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. CORWIN, GOTTFRIED, McDONALD, STEC -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the real property actions and proceedings law, in relation to requiring a plaintiff in a mortgage foreclosure action to maintain the subject property in good faith

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 1307 of the real property actions and proceedings law, as added by chapter 507 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. A plaintiff [in] WHO COMMENCES a mortgage foreclosure action obtains], INCLUDING A LENDER, AN ASSIGNEE OR A MORTGAGE LOAN SERVICER, 5 6 SEEKING a judgment of foreclosure and sale pursuant to section thirteen 7 hundred fifty-one of this article, involving residential real property, 8 as defined in section thirteen hundred five of this article, 9 vacant, or becomes vacant after COMMENCEMENT OF THE ACTION OR the issu-10 ance of such judgment, or is abandoned by the mortgagor but occupied by 11 tenant, as defined under section thirteen hundred five of this arti-12 cle, shall IN GOOD FAITH maintain such property until such time as ownership has been transferred through the closing of title in foreclo-13 sure, or other disposition, and the deed for such property has been duly 14 recorded; provided, however, that if a municipality or governmental 15 entity holds a mortgage subordinate to one or more mortgages on the 16 17 residential real property, the municipality or governmental entity shall 18 not be subject to the requirements of this section. AS USED 19 THE TERM "GOOD FAITH" SHALL BE DEFINED AS HONESTY IN FACT AND THE OBSERVANCE OF REASONABLE STANDARDS OF FAIR DEALING. 20

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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