



# Federal Housing Finance Agency

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## **Servicer Reliance on the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 in Foreclosures Involving Homeownership Associations**

As noted in the December 22, 2014 and April 21, 2015 statements on certain super-priority liens, the Federal Housing Finance Agency has an obligation to protect Fannie Mae's and Freddie Mac's property rights. FHFA will aggressively do so by bringing or supporting actions to contest common ownership association (commonly known as HOAs) foreclosures that purport to extinguish Enterprise property interests in a manner that contravenes federal law.

This statement confirms that FHFA supports the reliance on Title 12 United States Code Section 4617(j)(3) in litigation by authorized servicers of the Enterprises to preclude the purported involuntary extinguishment of an Enterprise's property interest by an HOA foreclosure sale.

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