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City of Portland Code of Ordinances Sec. 14-565 Land Use Chapter 14 Rev. 4-19-12

## ARTICLE VII. CONDOMINIUM CONVERSION

Sec. 14-565. Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to regulate the conversion of rental housing to condominiums; to minimize the potential adverse impacts of such conversion on tenants; to ensure that converted such housing is safe and decent; and to maintain a reasonable balance of housing alternatives within the city for persons of all incomes. To these ends, this article shall be liberally construed. (Ord. No. 213-81, § 608.1, 11-16-81)

Sec. 14-566. Applicability.

This article shall apply to the conversion of any rental unit to a condominium unit.(Ord. No. 213-81, § 608.2, 11-16-81)

Sec. 14-567. Definitions.

For the purpose of this article, the following terms shall be defined as follows, unless otherwise clearly implied:

Condominium means any interest in real estate created pursuant to the Unit Ownership Act, 33 M.R.S.A. § 560 et seq., or its equivalent, as it may from time to time be amended.

Developer means and includes any person or other legal entity, but not including an established lending institution unless it is an active participant in a common promotional scheme, who, whether acting as principal or agent, records a declaration of condominium that includes real estate, any portion of which was previously a rental unit.

Tenant means and includes any occupant in lawful possession of a rental unit, whether by lease, sublease, or otherwise.

*Unit* means any building, or portion thereof, used or intended to be used primarily as a separate dwelling.(Ord. No. 213-81, § 608.3, 11-16-81)

Cross reference(s)--Definitions and rules of construction generally, § 1-2.