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**Representative Joseph Geller and Senator Gary Farmer File Legislation to  
Protect Condominium Owners Against Violations**

**Tallahassee, FL** – Representative Joseph Geller (D-Aventura) has filed [HB 1001](#), which, if enacted, would authorize DBPR’s Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes to levy fines and recall board members who knowingly violate Chapter 718 of the Florida Statutes and their own bylaws.

“Those who intentionally violate bylaws are breaking bonds of trust between the condominium association and the unit owners,” announced **Representative Joseph Geller**. “Although these laws are already on the books, they have not had proper enforcement mechanisms, thus rendering them useless to protect the rights of condo owners. Directors and officers have been entrusted to honor the law and their own bylaws, and anyone who abuses the rules should be held responsible.”

Senator Gary Farmer (D-Fort Lauderdale) is sponsoring the companion, [SB 1258](#), in the Senate.

“This bill takes a proactive measure in ensuring that condo association directors are held accountable for their actions, and that they will act in the best interests of those whom they represent,” stated **Senator Gary Farmer**. “I am proud to be sponsoring this important piece of legislation in the Senate.”

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