

Homeowners Choice, Inc.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
TRABER MARTIN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5300 W. CYPRESS STREET, SUITE 100

(Street)

TAMPA, FL 33607

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Homeowners Choice, Inc. [HCII]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common stock	01/27/2012		M		27,003 (1) A \$ 2.5	D	
Common stock	01/27/2012		F		7,003 (1) D \$ 9.64	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 2.5	01/27/2012		M	27,003	<sup>(3)</sup>	05/31/2017	Common	27,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 2.5					<sup>(4)</sup>	05/31/2017	Common	30,000
Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, no par value <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 10					03/25/2011	<sup>(6)</sup>	Common	5,000

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TRABER MARTIN A 5300 W. CYPRESS STREET SUITE 100 TAMPA, FL 33607	X			

**Signatures**

/s/ Cathy J. Welch as Attorney-in-fact for Martin A. Traber 01/31/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

**Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The reporting person acquired 27,003 shares and surrendered back to the Issuer 7,003 shares, for a net exercise of 20,000.

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- (2) The options were granted pursuant to the Homeowners Choice, Inc. 2007 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- (3) Commencing on June 1, 2007 and continuing on the first day of each calendar month thereafter through and including January 1, 2010, the amount of 5,000 options will vest and become exercisable on each such monthly vesting date.
- (4) Commencing on May 1, 2008 and continuing on the same day of each calendar year thereafter through and including May 1, 2010, the amount of 10,000 options will vest and become exercisable on each such annual vesting date.

- Shares were purchased in connection with Homeowners Choice, Inc.'s ("HCI") offering of its 7% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series A Preferred"), which was completed on March 25, 2011. Each share of the Series A Preferred will be convertible, at the holder's option at any time, initially into one share of HCI's common stock based upon an initial conversion price of \$10.00 per share.
- (5)

- HCI may terminate this conversion right on or after March 31, 2014, if, for at least twenty trading days within any period of thirty consecutive trading days, the market price of HCI's common stock exceeds the conversion price of the Series A Preferred by more than 20% and HCI's common stock is then traded on the New York Stock Exchange, the NASDAQ Global Select Market, the NASDAQ Global Market, the NASDAQ Capital Market, or the NYSE Amex.
- (6)

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