#### NOTICE OF INTENT

# Office of the Governor Real Estate Appraisers Board

## LAC 46:LXVII.Part 3. Chapter 311

Under the authority of the Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Law, R.S. 37:3397 et seq., and Executive Order JBE 17-16, and in accordance with the provisions of the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board has initiated procedures to readopt Chapter 311 (Compensation of Fee Appraisers) to provide additional oversight.

# Title 46 PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS Part LXVII. Real Estate

### Subpart 3. Appraisal Management Companies

Chapter 311. Compensation of Fee Appraisers

§31101. General Provisions; Customary and Reasonable Fees; Presumptions of Compliance

- A. Licensees shall compensate fee appraisers at a rate that is customary and reasonable for appraisal services performed in the market area of the property being appraised and as prescribed by R.S. 37:3415.15(A). For the purposes of this Chapter, market area shall be identified by zip code, parish, or metropolitan area.
- 1. Evidence for such fees may be established by objective third-party information such as government agency fee schedules, academic studies, and independent private sector surveys. Fee studies shall exclude assignments ordered by appraisal management companies.
- 2. The board, at its discretion, may establish a customary and reasonable rate of compensation schedule for use by any licensees electing to do so.
- 3. Licensees electing to compensate fee appraisers on any basis other than an established fee schedule as described in Paragraphs 1 or 2 above shall, at a minimum, review the factors listed in §31101.B.1-6 on each assignment made, and make appropriate adjustments to recent rates paid in the relevant geographic market necessary to ensure that the amount of compensation is reasonable.
- B. A licensee shall maintain written documentation that describes or substantiates all methods, factors, variations, and differences used to determine the customary and reasonable fee for appraisal services conducted in the geographic market of the appraisal assignment. This documentation shall include, at a minimum, the following elements:
  - 1. the type of property for each appraisal performed;
  - 2. the scope of work for each appraisal performed;
  - 3. the time in which the appraisal services are required to be performed;
  - 4. fee appraiser qualifications;
  - 5. fee appraiser experience and professional record; and
  - 6. fee appraiser work quality.
- C. Licensees shall maintain records of all methods, factors, variations, and differences used to determine the customary and reasonable rate of compensation paid for each appraisal assignment in the geographic market of the property being appraised, in accordance with Section §30501.C.
- D. Except in the case of breach of contract or substandard performance of real estate appraisal activity, an appraisal management company shall make payment to an independent contractor appraiser for the completion of an appraisal or appraisal review assignment:

1. within 30 days after the appraiser provides the completed appraisal report to the appraisal management company.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:3415.1 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Real Estate Appraisers Board, LR 39:3073 (November 2013), amended LR 42:872 (June 2016).

#### Family Impact Statement

In accordance with R.S. 49:953(A)(1)(a)(viii) and 972, the following Family Impact Statement is submitted with the Notice of Intent for publication in the August 20, 2017 *Louisiana Register*: The proposed rule readoption has no known impact on family, formation, stability, or autonomy.

### Poverty Impact Statement

The proposed rule readoption has no known impact on poverty as described in R.S. 49:973.

#### Provider Statement

The proposed rule readoption has no known impact on providers of services for individuals with developmental disabilities.

#### **Public Comments**

Interested parties may submit written comments on the proposed regulations to Ryan Shaw, Louisiana Real Estate Commission, P.O. Box 14785, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-4785 or 9071 Interline Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70809 or rshaw@lrec.state.la.us, through September 8, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

#### **Public Hearing**

If it becomes a necessary to convene a public hearing to receive comments, in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, a hearing will be held on September 27, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the office of the Louisiana Real Estate Commission, 9071 Interline Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70809.

Bruce Unangst Executive Director

# FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RULE TITLE: LAC 46:LXVII. Part 2 Chapters 307, 309, and 311

- I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)
  - There are no estimated implementation costs (savings) to state or local governmental units as the result of the proposed rule readoption.
- II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL
  - GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)
    The proposed rule readention will have no effect on revenue.
  - The proposed rule readoption will have no effect on revenue collections of state or local governmental units.
- III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)
  - There are no estimated costs associated with the proposed rule readoption.
- IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)
  The proposed rule readoption will have no effect on competition and employment.

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