DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS TITLE 10. INVESTMENT CHAPTER 6.5 BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATORY ACTION CONCERNING: Forms

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Real Estate Appraisers (hereafter Bureau or BREA) is proposing to take the action described in the Informative Digest below, after considering all comments, objections, and recommendations regarding the proposed action.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Bureau has not scheduled a public hearing on this proposed action. However, the Bureau will hold a hearing if it receives a written request for a public hearing from any interested person, or the interested person's authorized representative, no later than 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period. A hearing may be requested by making such request in writing addressed to the individuals listed under "Contact Person" in this notice.

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

Written comments relevant to the action proposed, including those sent by mail, facsimile, or e-mail to the addresses listed under "Contact Person" in this Notice, must be <u>received</u> by the Bureau at its office no later than Tuesday, September 20, 2022, by 5:00 p.m., or must be received by the Bureau at the hearing, should one be scheduled.

AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE

Pursuant to the authority vested by sections 115.5, 135.4, 11313, 11314, 11327, 11340, 11345, 11360, and 11361 of the Business and Professions Code (BPC), Section 11180 of the Government Code, and to implement, interpret, or make specific BPC section 30, 31, 114.5, 115.5, 135.4, 480, 490, 494.5, 11310.3, 11320, 11320.5, 11328.1, 11340, 11341, 11343, 11345, 11345.05, 11345.1, 11345.2, and 11345.3, and Title XI of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA) (Public Law 101-73), the Bureau is considering amending sections 3527, 3561, 3563, 3568, 3570, 3575, 3602, 3603, 3681, and 3726 of title 10 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR).

INFORMATIVE DIGEST / POLICY STATEMENT OVERVIEW

Existing federal law, Title XI of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA) (Public Law 101-73), established the Appraiser Foundation. The Appraiser Qualifications Board is an independent board of the Appraiser Foundation and establishes the minimum education, experience, and examination requirements for appraisers to qualify for state licensure or certification.

Assembly Bill (AB) 948 (Holden) Chapter 352, Stats. 2021 required the Bureau to include on its complaint form particular questions related to the complainant's opinion of market value of the property, as well as collect demographic data related to the complainant's identity within a protected class. (It made other changes not relevant here.)

Business and Professions Code section 11314 provides the Bureau broad rulemaking authority to establish and amend licensing forms. The Bureau proposes to revise the following forms: Log of Appraisal Experience Form REA 3004 (Rev. 1/01/2023); Appraisal Management Company Certificate of Registration Application form, REA 5001 (Rev. 1/01/2023); Miscellaneous Requests Form REA 5011 (Rev. 1/01/2023); and Appraisal Management Company Renewal Application Form REA 5012 (Rev. 1/01/2023) to better serve applicants and comply with changes in the law. The Bureau proposes to establish the Complaint Form REA 4001 (New 01/01/2023) to standardize complaints and comply with Bureau laws and regulations. The revisions will also make the forms easier to use. The aforementioned forms are or will be incorporated by reference.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The Bureau seeks to incorporate by reference the following forms: REA 3004 (Rev. 01/01/2023); REA 4001 (New 01/01/2023); REA 5001 (Rev. 01/01/2023); REA 5011 (Rev. 01/01/2023); and REA 5012 (Rev. 01/01/2023).

Anticipated Benefits of Proposal

The proposal will standardize complaints, implementing AB 948, and update licensing forms to comply with Bureau laws and regulations, as well as make the forms easier to use. This regulatory proposal does not affect the health and welfare of California residents, worker safety, or the state's environment.

Consistency and Compatibility with Existing State Regulations

During the process of developing this regulatory proposal, the Bureau has conducted a search of any similar regulations on these topics and has concluded that these regulations are neither duplicative, inconsistent, nor incompatible with existing state regulations.

DISCLOSURES REGARDING THIS PROPOSED ACTION

The Bureau has made the following initial determinations:

FISCAL IMPACT ESTIMATES

Fiscal Impact on Public Agencies Including Costs or Savings to State Agencies or Costs/Savings in Federal Funding to the State

The Bureau estimates one-time absorbable costs of approximately \$3,600 to update the various forms. Because the Bureau currently processes existing versions of each form, no additional workload or costs are anticipated as a result of the updates. The regulations do not result in costs or savings in federal funding to the state.

Nondiscretionary Costs/Savings to Local Agencies: None

Local Mandate: None

Cost to any Local Agency or School District for which Government Code Sections 17500 - 17630 Require Reimbursement: None

Significant Statewide Adverse Economic Impact Directly Affecting Business, Including Ability to Compete

The Bureau has made the initial determination that the proposed regulatory action would have no significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states because it simply updates existing application forms and incorporates the Bureau's complaint form by reference, collecting the information required by AB 948.

RESULTS OF ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT / ANALYSIS: BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATES

Impact on Jobs / Businesses

The Bureau has determined that this regulatory proposal will not impact on the creation of jobs or new businesses, or the elimination of jobs or existing businesses, or the

expansion of businesses in the State of California because it simply updates existing application forms and incorporates the Bureau's complaint form by reference, collecting the information required by AB 948.

Benefits of Regulation

This regulatory proposal does not affect the health and welfare of California residents, worker safety, or the state's environment.

Business Reporting Requirements

The regulatory action does not require businesses to file a report with the Bureau.

Effect on Small Business

The Bureau has determined that the proposed regulations will not affect small businesses because they simply update existing application forms and incorporate the Bureau's complaint form by reference.

Cost Impact on Representative Private Person or Business

The Bureau is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

Significant Effect on Housing Costs: None

CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES

In accordance with Government Code section 11346.5, subdivision (a)(13), the Bureau must determine that no reasonable alternative it considered to the regulation or that has otherwise been identified and brought to its attention would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed; as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposal described in this Notice; or would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

Any interested person may submit comments to the Bureau in writing relevant to the above determinations at 3075 Prospect Park Drive, Suite 190, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, or via e-mail to the Contact Person listed below.

AVAILABILITY OF STATEMENT OF REASONS AND RULEMAKING FILE

The Bureau has compiled a record for this regulatory action, which includes the Initial Statement of Reasons (ISR), proposed regulatory text, and all the information on which this proposal is based. This material is contained in the rulemaking file and is available for public inspection upon request to the contact persons named in this notice.

TEXT OF PROPOSAL

Copies of the exact language of the proposed regulations, and all documents incorporated by reference, and of the initial statement of reasons, and all of the information upon which the proposal is based, may be obtained upon request from the Bureau at 3075 Prospect Park Drive, Suite 190, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670.

AVAILABILITY OF CHANGED OR MODIFIED TEXT

After considering all timely and relevant comments, the Bureau, upon its own review or at the request of any interested party, may thereafter adopt the proposals substantially as described below or may modify such proposals if such modifications are sufficiently related to the original text. With the exception of technical or grammatical changes, the full text of any modified proposal, with the modifications clearly indicated, will be available for review and written comment for 15 days prior to its adoption from the person designated in this Notice as the Contact Person and will be mailed to those persons who submit written or oral testimony related to this proposal or who have requested notification of any changes to the proposal.

AVAILABILITY AND LOCATION OF THE FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS AND RULEMAKING FILE

All the information upon which the proposed regulations are based is contained in the rulemaking file which is available for public inspection by contacting the person named below.

You may obtain a copy of the Final Statement of Reasons once it has been prepared by making a written request to the Contact Person named below or by accessing the website listed below.

CONTACT PERSONS

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AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS ON THE INTERNET

Copies of this Notice of Proposed Actions, the Initial Statement of Reasons, and the proposed text of the regulations, as well as the Final Statement of Reasons when completed and text modified from the original proposed text, if any, can be accessed through the Bureau's website at <u>https://www.brea.ca.gov/html/Rulemaking.html</u>.