No. 2000-103

## AN ACT

SB 552

Amending the act of July 10, 1990 (P.L.404, No.98), entitled "An act providing for the certification of real estate appraisers; specifying requirements for certification; providing for sanctions and penalties; and making an appropriation," providing for continuing education for broker/appraisers; and making an editorial change.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 10 of the act of July 10, 1990 (P.L.404, No.98), known as the Real Estate Appraisers Certification Act, is amended to read: Section 10. Certification renewal; records.

- (a) Renewal term.—Renewal of certification shall be on a biennial basis.
- (b) Continuing education for residential and general appraisers.—The board shall by regulation require evidence of professional activity or continuing education as a condition of certification renewal of residential and general appraisers if, and only to the minimum extent, required pursuant to the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (Public Law 101-73, 103 Stat. 183). No credit shall be given for any course in office management or practice building. [In order to facilitate the speedy implementation of this act, the board shall have the power and authority to promulgate, adopt and use guidelines to prescribe the evidence of professional activity or continuing certification required for certification renewal pursuant to this section. Such guidelines shall be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. The guidelines shall not be subject to review pursuant to section 205 of the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.769, No.240), referred to as the Commonwealth Documents Law, sections 204(b) and 301(10) of the act of October 15, 1980 (P.L.950, No.164), known as the Commonwealth Attorneys Act, or the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, and shall be effective for a period not to exceed two years from the effective date of this act. After the expiration of the two-year period, the guidelines shall expire and shall be replaced by regulations which shall have been promulgated, adopted and published as provided by law.]
- (b.1) Continuing education for broker/appraisers.—Broker/appraisers shall be subject to the same continuing education requirements for certification renewal as residential and general appraisers. The board shall have the power and authority to promulgate regulations to prescribe evidence of continuing education required for certification renewal pursuant to this section.

(c) Records.—A record of all persons certified as real estate appraisers in this Commonwealth shall be kept in the office of the board and shall be open to public inspection and copying upon payment of a nominal fee for copying the record. Each certificateholder shall advise the board of the address of his or her principal place of business.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 20th day of December, A.D. 2000.

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