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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE BILL NO. 347

## BY BUSINESS COMMITTEE

| 1 | AN ACT  |
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| 2 | RELATING TO THE IDAHO REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS ACT; AMENDING SECTION 54-4106, |
| 3 | IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL POWER AND DUTY OF THE REAL ESTATE      |
| 4 | APPRAISER BOARD.  |

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 54-4106, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-4106. REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS -- REAL ESTATE APPRAISER BOARD -- POW-ERS AND DUTIES -- COMPENSATION. (1) There is hereby created in the department of self-governing agencies, a real estate appraiser board, hereinafter referred to as the "board," which shall administer the provisions of this chapter. The board shall consist of five (5) members to be appointed by the governor as follows:

- (a) One (1) from the northern district consisting of the counties of Idaho, Lewis, Nez Perce, Clearwater, Latah, Benewah, Boundary, Shoshone, Kootenai and Bonner; one (1) from the southeastern district consisting of the counties of Lemhi, Butte, Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Madison, Teton, Bonneville, Bingham, Caribou, Bear Lake, Franklin, Oneida, Power and Bannock; one (1) from the southwestern district consisting of the counties of Owyhee, Elmore, Ada, Canyon, Boise, Gem, Payette, Washington, Adams and Valley; one (1) from the south central district consisting of the counties of Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Custer, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls; and one (1) from the state at large;
- On July 1, 1990, the governor shall appoint the members of the board, each of whom shall be a real estate appraiser with not less than five (5) years' experience in the real estate appraisal business in Idaho. As of July 1, 1999, the board appointment from the state at large is extended for a period of two (2) years and the board appointment from the south central district is extended for a period of one (1) year. Each regular appointment thereafter, other than an appointment to fill an unexpired term, shall be for a term of four (4) years and each board member shall hold office until a successor is appointed and qualified. Upon the death, resignation or removal of any member of the board, the governor shall appoint a state licensed or state certified real estate appraiser to fill the unexpired term. Appointments to fill any vacancy other than that resulting from the expiration of a term shall be made for the unexpired term. After July 1, 1991, new board members shall be required to be state licensed or certified real estate appraisers with not less than five (5) years' experience in the real estate appraisal business in Idaho;

- (c) Within fifteen (15) days after the appointment of the members of the board, the board shall call a meeting and organize by the election of a chairman. Thereafter, the chairman may call meetings of the board whenever he deems it advisable but if he refuses to call a meeting upon written demand of the other four (4) members of the board, then such members may call such meeting. Reasonable notice shall be given in writing by mail of such meeting.
- (2) The board shall have, in addition to the powers conferred elsewhere in this chapter, the following powers and duties:
  - (a) To authorize, by written agreement, the bureau of occupational licenses to act as its agent in its interest;
  - (b) To adopt, pursuant to the administrative procedure act, such rules as the board, in its discretion, deems necessary for the administration and enforcement of this chapter, and any such rules deemed necessary by the board to keep the Idaho real estate appraisers act in compliance with federal law, rule, regulation or policy;
  - (c) To conduct investigations into violations of the provisions of this chapter;
  - (d) To receive applications for and issue licenses or certificates to real estate appraisers pursuant to this chapter;
  - (e) To hold meetings, hearings and examinations at such places and at such times as it shall designate;
  - (f) To collect, deposit and disburse application and other fees, as required by this chapter or federal law;
  - (g) To maintain a register of all state licensed or certified residential and state certified general real estate appraisers;
  - (h) To censure a state licensed or certified appraiser or suspend or revoke appraisal licenses or certificates as provided in this chapter, subject to the provisions of the Idaho administrative procedure act, chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code; and
  - (i) To adopt rules governing the registration and limitations of real estate appraiser trainees; and
  - (j) To require new applicants to submit to a satisfactory finger-print-based criminal history check of the Idaho central criminal database and the federal bureau of investigation criminal history database and to collect fees from applicants for the costs of such background check.
- (3) Each member of the board of real estate appraisers shall be compensated as provided in section 59-509 (m), Idaho Code.