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The Bureau of Professional Licensing (BPL) within the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) would like to inform you that the Administrative Rules for Real Estate Appraisers were promulgated effective May 18, 2018.

Below is a summary of the significant changes to the rules:

**Rule 104:** The rule pertains to exemption from USPAP Standard 3: This new rule provides an exemption for board members and investigators employed/retained by the department to perform an investigation or testify at an adjudicatory hearing for the department without following USPAP Standard 3 in order to assist with efficiency in complaint review.

**Rule 203:** This rule pertains to appraisal experience and satisfactory evidence of experience. The rule was amended to remove references to rescinded Rule 201. Further, the ability for states to accept affidavits in lieu of an experience log was rescinded by the Appraiser Qualifications Board (AQB). The rule was amended to remove references to these affidavits in order to be in compliance with the AQB.

Rule 326: This rule pertains to continuing education requirements for licensees. 2016 PA 502 permits licensees to petition for a waiver of continuing education. However AQB criteria does not allow a licensee to receive a waiver of continuing education. The AQB allows a state regulatory agency to place a licensee in inactive status if the state determines a deficiency in continuing education was due to an extenuating circumstance. It allows a deferral of the continuing education for individuals returning from active military duty or individuals impacted by a state or federally declared disaster. The rule was amended to add subsections to be in compliance with the AQB requirements. Waivers will not be allowed but a licensee can seek a deferral in limited circumstances.

The Real Estate Appraiser Rule Set is available on our website at <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/bpl">www.michigan.gov/bpl</a>.

Thank you,

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