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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND
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Dear licensees and interested parties:

Alaska's professional licensing statutes (AS 08.01.065) require the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (CBPL) to "annually review each fee level to determine whether the regulatory costs of each occupation are approximately equal to fee collections related to that occupation." Alaska's licensing fee statutes go on to say, "If the review indicates that an occupation's fee collections and regulatory costs are not approximately equal, the department shall calculate fee adjustments and adopt regulations...to implement the adjustments."

This licensing program has maintained a sizeable surplus for the past few years. However, due to competing priorities, staff shortages, and the new IRIS financial system, a current and accurate FY2016 year-end revenue and expenditure report was not made available in sufficient time to conduct a thorough and complete fee analysis in adequate time for review with the board and to conduct the necessary steps to change fees prior to the program renewal period.

Ultimately, the division conducted a fee analysis and reviewed the analysis with the Alaska Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers at a regular meeting on July 20, 2017. The Board provided valuable input and adjustments were made to the number of licensees forecasted and together the Director and Board determined the appropriate amount of fee reductions necessary to reduce the program's sizeable surplus.

The proposed fee amounts are enclosed and can also be found on the board's web page at <http://professionallicense.alaska.gov/RealEstateAppraisers>.

This regulation project was delayed several times in the hope that it could be combined with the board's proposed regulation changes. However, since that did not materialize timely, the division decided to proceed without them.

This fee proposal is entering a public comment period. The division encourages all licensees and interested parties to comment on this proposal through the division's Regulations Specialist, whose contact information is enclosed on the public notice. After the comment period closes and the division reviews all comments received, the division may adopt the regulation as drafted, may amend a proposed fee, or may withdraw the regulations in part or in its whole.

All comments received will be reviewed and taken into consideration prior to adopting the final regulations. The final decision will result in the fee to be implemented during the next licensing renewal.

Follow the instructions enclosed to make written comments during the public comment period. Comments must be addressed to Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811, or RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janey McCullough".

Janey McCullough
Director

Encl.

Chapter 02. General Occupational Licensing Functions.

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted.)

12 AAC 02.370 is amended to read:

12 AAC 02.370. Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers. The following fees are established for general real estate appraisers, residential real estate appraisers, institutional real estate appraisers, and registered real estate appraiser trainees:

(1) nonrefundable application fee for

(A) initial certification, license, or registration, **\$150** [\$450];

(B) **courtesy license, \$100;**

(2) certification fee for all or part of the initial biennial certification period, **\$350**

[\$1,050];

(3) biennial certification renewal fee, **\$350** [\$1,050];

(4) real estate appraiser trainee registration fee, **\$150** [\$450];

(5) real estate appraiser trainee renewal fee, **\$150** [\$450];

(6) courtesy license fee, \$150;

(7) course approval fee, \$400;

(8) annual federal registry fee, \$40. (Eff. 5/20/92, Register 122; am 5/28/93,

Register 126; am 4/15/94, Register 130; am 5/17/95, Register 134; am 6/6/99, Register 150; am

6/17/2001, Register 158; am 6/13/2002, Register 162; am 6/20/2003, Register 166; am

6/17/2005, Register 174; am 6/9/2007, Register 182; am 6/28/2009, Register 190; am 6/10/2011,

Register 198; am 4/20/2012, Register 202; am 5/15/2013, Register 206; am ____/____/____,

Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.01.062 AS 08.87.110 AS 08.87.310

AS 08.01.065 AS 08.87.120