



2022 Real Estate License Act (RELA) Omnibus Cleanup Bill

Global Changes to RELA (and throughout IDFPD regulated professions)

- Generally, throughout RELA pronouns are changed to be inclusive.
- Generally, throughout RELA, reference to renewal period is changed to current term or license or term of licensure, referring to the 2-year period or some other period from licensure until the expiration date or the renewal period (generally, 90 days prior to the expiration date of a license).
- Generally, provisions in RELA indicate IDFPD will not issue or renew a license if there are outstanding fines for licensing or unlicensed practice of real estate issues.
- There is now global language throughout the licensing acts regarding criminal convictions and requirement to report a “new” conviction.
- There is a global change to licensing acts regarding people who are allowed to serve on Department Boards.

Specific Cleanup Items

- **Section 5-25 Good Moral Character**
 - Universal change across IDFPD licensing acts requiring licensee to report to Dept. within 30 days after the occurrence of an entry of administrative sanction by a state agency here or elsewhere involving fraud etc., or a crime requiring the licensee to comply with the Sex Offender Registration Act.
- **Section 5-45 (f) Offices**
 - Removal of the words “to permit” to prevent the misconception that virtual office could not be used unless there was some sort of Dept. “sign-off.” Never intended by drafters.
- **Section 5-70 CE**
 - (f)(15) – added “designated” before managing broker to correct absence from prior versions of RELA
 - (l) – cleanup language to clarify where broker post-license and managing broker pre-license education satisfies the CE requirement for the initial term of the respective license



- **Section 15-35 Agency Relationship Disclosure**
 - Correct reference from “real estate brokerage firm” to sponsoring broker

- **Section 15-45(g) Dual Agency**
 - Clarifies and inserts language from rule that licensee is prohibited from serving as a dual agent where licensee has or will have an ownership interest in property

- **Section 20-20 Discipline**
 - (e) Removal of ability to compel a mental or physical exam (global across licensing acts(?))

- **Section 20-110 Disciplinary Actions of the Dept. Not Limited**
 - Corrects mistaken reference from 20-80 to 20-82

- **Section 25-38 Real Estate Audit Fund**
 - Provides for transfer of Real Estate Audit Fund to the License Administration Fund

- **Section 30-15 Licensing of Education Providers; Approval of Courses**
 - Correct prior mistake to reflect continuing education courses in one-hour increments

- **Section 30-25 Licensing of Education Provider Instructors**
 - (a-5) Add post-license (left out of prior versions in error) for permissible course for pre-license instructor