- 1 HB452
- 2 210269-2
- 3 By Representative Morris
- 4 RFD: Boards, Agencies and Commissions
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2 ENROLLED, An Act,

Relating to appraisers and appraisal management companies; to amend Sections 34-27A-15 and 34-27A-55, Code of Alabama 1975, to specify that a real estate appraiser renewing a real estate appraiser's license must pay any late renewal, application, or filing fees imposed by the board.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Sections 34-27A-15 and 34-27A-55, Code of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:

"\$34-27A-15.

"(a) (1) To obtain a renewal license for any real estate appraiser classification, the holder of a current, valid license shall make application and pay the prescribed fee to the board between September 1 and September 30, and shall be delinquent after September 30. With the application for renewal, the licensed real estate appraiser shall present evidence in the form prescribed by the board of having completed the continuing education requirements for renewal specified by the board.

"(2) If the board determines that an applicant has failed to meet the requirements for renewal of a license through mistake, misunderstanding, or circumstances beyond the control of the applicant, the board may extend the term of the license for a period not to exceed six months, upon payment by

the applicant of a prescribed fee set by the board for the extension.

- "(3) If the applicant satisfies the requirements for renewal during the extended term of license, the beginning date of the new renewal license shall be October 1.
- "(b) If a person fails to renew a license for any classification of real estate appraiser prior to its expiration or within a period of extension granted by the board pursuant to this article, the person may obtain a renewal license by satisfying all of the requirements for renewal and by the payment of a late renewal fee fees as set by the board.

"§34-27A-55.

- "(a) The board shall establish by rule fees to be charged to an appraisal management company in an amount sufficient to sustain administration of this article. The board may also establish $\frac{1}{2}$ late filing $\frac{1}{2}$ fees and other fees deemed necessary by the board for the proper administration of this article.
- "(b) In addition to the application fee fees and late filing fee fees, where applicable, an applicant for registration shall post with the board a surety bond in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). The bond shall be annually maintained on renewal. The bond shall be in a form prescribed by the board by rule and shall accrue to the

state for the benefit of a claimant against the registrant to secure the faithful performance of obligations under this article. The aggregate liability of the surety may not exceed the principal sum of the bond.

"(c) An appropriate deposit of cash or security may be accepted by the board in lieu of the required bond. The face amount of the bond shall annually be restored upon renewal of registration. Annual renewal of registration shall occur before the expiration date of the registration. Failure to timely renew registration shall result in loss of authority to operate an appraisal management company in this state.

Request for reinstatement after expiration shall be accompanied by the annual registration fee and any late filing fee established by board rule."

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of the third month following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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