

STATE OF WISCONSIN
REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF RULE-MAKING PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE
REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD

PROPOSED ORDER OF THE REAL ESTATE EXAMINING BOARD
ADOPTING RULES (CLEARINGHOUSE RULE)

PROPOSED ORDER

An order of the Real Estate Examining Board to create s. REEB 24.17 (2m) relating to revocation due to felony conviction.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Safety and Professional Services.

ANALYSIS

Statutes interpreted: s. 452.14 (3) (p), Stats.

Statutory authority: s. 15.08 (5) (b), Stats.

Explanation of agency authority:

The Real Estate Examining Board shall promulgate rules for the guidance of the profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices relating to the profession.

Related statute or rule: N/A

Plain language analysis:

This rule includes a basis for revocation for a license created by 2013 Act 288. A license or registration may be revoked if the person is convicted of a felony which is a bar from licensure or registration.

Summary of, and comparison with, existing or proposed federal regulation: None

Comparison with rules in adjacent states:

Illinois: The Department may refuse to issue or renew a license, may place on probation, suspend or revoke any license based upon the conviction of or plea of guilty or plea of nolo contendere to a felony.

Iowa: The licensing board may revoke or suspend a license for a conviction of a felony related to the profession or occupation of the licensee. A copy of the record of conviction or plea of guilty shall be conclusive evidence.

Michigan: Michigan does not list a felony conviction as a basis for revocation.

Minnesota: Minnesota does not list a felony conviction as a basis for revocation.

Summary of factual data and analytical methodologies:

The Board incorporated the new basis for revocation into the conduct and ethical practices chapter of the rules.

Analysis and supporting documents used to determine effect on small business or in preparation of economic impact analysis:

This rule was posted for 14 days for economic comments and none were received.

Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis:

The Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis is attached.

Effect on small business:

These proposed rules do not have an economic impact on small businesses, as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats. The Department's Regulatory Review Coordinator may be contacted by email at Eric.Esser@wisconsin.gov, or by calling (608) 267-2435.

Agency contact person:

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Place where comments are to be submitted and deadline for submission:

Comments may be submitted to Sharon Henes, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Board Services, 1400 East Washington Avenue, Room 151, P.O. Box 8366, Madison, WI 53708-8366, or by email to Sharon.Henes@wisconsin.gov. Comments must be received on or before the hearing on August 13, 2015 to be included in the record of rule-making proceedings.

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. REEB 24.17 (2m) is created to read:

REEB 24.17 (2m) FELONY CONVICTION. The board may revoke a license or registration on the basis of a conviction of a felony that is a bar to licensure or registration under s. 452.25 (1) (a), Stats.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. The rules adopted in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin administrative register, pursuant to s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

(END OF TEXT OF RULE)
