

Real Estate Branch

Aloha Condominium Owners and Other Interested Individuals,

Thank you for signing up on the Real Estate Commission's direct email subscription list. The Commission greatly appreciates your continued desire to educate and inform yourselves regarding condominium matters. In this month's email, the Commission has decided to highlight legislation, an upcoming educational event, and a condominium tip.

2015 Legislative Session - Condominium Law

Act 242 as it related to condominiums, amends the condominium law to void or prohibit some discriminatory practices in governing documents of a condominium against a person living in a condo who has a valid certificate for medical use of marijuana unless those governing documents prohibit the smoking of tobacco and if the medical marijuana is smoked. Act 242 applies to both chapters 514A and 514B condominiums. Please read the full act here.

Chapters 514A and 514B have been updated to include Act 242 as well as numbering changes. You can find electronic updated PDF copies here.

Community Association Institute - Educational Event

The Community Associations Institute (CAI) Hawaii is an organization that serves the educational, business and networking needs of associations ranging from condominiums, cooperatives and planned associations. The Condominium Education Trust Fund (CETF) subsidizes a select number of CAI condominium educational events procured by the Commission.

The CAI Hawaii has a September event titled "Firing Line: Do's and Don'ts of Employment Law" on September 17 from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM. Visit the CAI's website and contact them about how you can register here.

Condominium Tip

When relying on the declaration, bylaws, house rules or condominium law, make sure you first have the most current recorded documents and second, include the specific section, clause and page of such document(s) or law in a dispute. Having all parties aware of what the governing documents and law specifically say will help maintain peace, honesty and transparency.

If you found any of this information helpful, please spread the word and invite other interested parties to subscribe to the emailing list <u>here</u>. Also, please visit our website at

http://www.hawaii.gov/hirec for assistance in answering any questions concerning the Hawaii Real Estate Branch and all licensing issues.

If there are any further questions, please contact our office at (808) 586-2643, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Hawaiian Standard Time.

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