# School Files

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# CE INSTRUCTOR AND COURSE EVALUATION PROJECT

As was noted in the October 2017 issue of "School Files", the Commission is working on a Continuing Education Instructor and Course Evaluation Project. New rules in Chapter 99, Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons, specifically related to continuing education, mandate a standardized evaluation process which will be the responsibility of the continuing education provider to implement. (See Hawaii Administrative Rules §16-99-121.1)

An evaluation form is being developed and a draft of the evaluation form is below. This is a <u>DRAFT</u>, and more questions may be added, specifically addressing use of cell phones during a continuing education class, and other issues.

It will be the provider's responsibility to maintain a record of the evaluations for each continuing education course offered, and tabulate the results of the surveys collected. Random audits will be conducted by the Real Estate Commission as necessary, throughout each biennium.

For online continuing education courses, the project committee is working on establishing a minimum standard for online education courses which will require interactivity, reviews of content as the courses progresses, and a timing mechanism for time spent in the course. When online courses are submitted to the Commission's Education Review Committee for review, the course content should include course objectives, interactivity, evidence of time spent on different topics of the course, time-tracking mechanism, incremental assessments throughout the course, and an evaluation of the learning experience. For currently certified online CE courses, when these courses are submitted for recertification, the author/owner of the course should make sure the online course complies with any requirements that are put in place by amending the course prior to recertification.

As the project progresses, updates will be issued.



#### HAWAII REAL ESTATE COMMISSION CONTINUING EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR/COURSE EVALUATION FORM



This is an evaluation form to be completed by licensees who are taking CE courses. The information provided will be reviewed by the CE provider and is subject to audit by the Real Estate Commission. The evaluation results will be used in planning and approving future classes.

Course Name:	Date:			
Provider Name:				
Instructor Name:	Course Number:			
Student Name (optional):				

On a scale of 1 to 5 please rate the quality of the instructor and course material.

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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (please print in the box below):



## **RENEWAL YEAR!**

It's 2018, and that means it's another renewal year. This is an early warning that by December 31, 2018, continuing education courses must be recertified if the courses are offered in the 2019-2020 biennium. Continuing education providers must reregister, prelicense schools and instructors must reregister, as well as register for online prelicense courses and register the online prelicense instructor. All reregistration and recertification applications are on the Commission's website, <u>www.hawaii.gov/hirec</u>, click on "Forms" and scroll to the appropriate subheading.

The renewal deadline for real estate brokers and salespersons is November 30, 2018. All licenses are good through December 31, 2018. This also applies to the real estate education registrations and recertifications. They are good through December 31, 2018, however, PLEASE SUBMIT REREGISTRATION AND RECERTIFICATION APPLICATIONS BEFORE December 31, 2018. If these applications are submitted by November 30<sup>th</sup>, they will be processed in time for the new biennium start of January 1, 2019.

The online education system is being tweaked so that all continuing education courses will be SHUT DOWN by January 11, 2019. All continuing education courses are effective through December 31, 2018, however, any licensee registered for a continuing education course must complete the course in the biennium, therefore, the course must be completed by December 31, 2018.

Course completion dates for attendees will not be able to be manipulated. If an attendee has not completed the course in a timely manner, the continuing education provider will not be able to update that record, and must submit a change request to the Real Estate Branch.

More information will be available throughout this renewal year.

For assistance and information, Charisa Flores is the education clerk for the Real Estate Branch. She may be contacted for questions regarding processing and the reregistration/recertification process, telephone 808-586-2643.



# PRELICENSE SCHOOLS' PASS-FAIL RATES FOR LICENSE EXAM

In November, 2017, an announcement was forwarded to the Commission's approved prelicense schools, stating that the PSI pass-fail rates for the salesperson's and broker's license exam will be published beginning with the April 2018 "School Files," and the May

2018 "Real Estate Commission Bulletin." These are the pass-fail rates for the state license exam, not the pass-fail rates for the prelicense school's exam.

Each school receives its own pass-fail rates from PSI, the Commission's test administrator. The school receives the pass-fail rates for its first-time test takers, as well as repeat test-takers. The pass rates for repeat test-takers plummet the longer the test-taker takes to pass the exam.

The pass-fail rates will be published to show the previous 6 months' rates, and the current quarter's numbers.

Note that there may be some prelicense schools that were recently approved, or who began offering, for example, the broker prelicense course, after offering only the salesperson prelicense course. There will be a note of clarification in these instances.

It is also recognized that pass-fail rates are the result of variables, such as the candidate's comprehension of the subject matter, the instructor's teaching ability, the test-taking ability of the candidate, the number of candidates testing, and/or the test questions presented. Over time, however, these varying factors will even out and a specific pattern to the pass-fail rates will emerge.



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# REPEAL OF HRS CHAPTER 514A By Carole Richelieu, Senior Condominium Specialist Real Estate Branch

Governor Ige signed Act 181 into law, effective January 1, 2019, which will repeal HRS, Chapter 514A. This law raises questions regarding the ability of developers to lawfully offer for sale and to sell condominium units created under HRS, Chapter 514A. As practitioners in an industry engaged in the sale of such property, being aware of the legal requirements is imperative towards providing your clients with professional service.

For some context, a condominium that was created before July 1, 2006, was created under HRS, Chapter 514A. A condominium that was created after July 1, 2006, was created under Chapter 514B, HRS. Condominium projects created under HRS, 514A require an active developer's public report for developer units to be legally offered for sale. The following non-exclusive situations may raise an issue necessitating professional advice regarding the effect of the repeal:

- The current owner received the unit as a gift or inheritance from the developer (perhaps a parent or grandparent) rather than through a sale
- The current owner is the developer which still retains units from the initial HRS, Chapter 514A registration,
- The project is registered with the Real Estate Commission, but the registration will expire prior to January 1, 2019,
- The project is registered with the Real Estate Commission, but only has a preliminary or contingent developer's public report; and
- The project is registered with the Real Estate Commission, but there have been material changes since the public report was issued

If a Chapter 514A project has an active and accurate developer's public report through January 1, 2019, then the repeal should not affect the project. If the project was developed under Chapter 514B, then the repeal will not affect the project. If a condominium owner purchased a registered Chapter 514A unit from a developer or another owner in a resale, then the repeal should not affect the unit. In other cases, however, the repeal of Chapter 514A may affect the ability to sell units in the future, and we strongly suggest that you check with your clients to ensure there are no problems in the selling process. If your client could be potentially impacted, have them contact the attorney who prepared the project's developer's public report, an attorney specializing in condominium law, or the Real Estate Commission Staff for additional guidance. Please note that any processing of projects with issues must be completed prior to January 1, 2019; thus, it is strongly recommended that documents be submitted by August 2018.



## **CONTINUING EDUCATION PROVIDERS**

Abe Lee Seminars All Islands Real Estate School America CE Institute, LLC American Dream Real Estate School, LLC At Your Pace Online, LLC The Berman Education Company, LLC Bly School of Real Estate Building Industries Association of Hawaii Carol Ball School of Real Estate The CE Shop, Inc. **CMPS** Institute, LLC Coldwell Banker Pacific Properties Real Estate School Continuing Ed Express, LLC The Council of Residential Specialists Eddie Flores Real Estate Continuing Education Hawaii Association of Realtors Hawaii Business Training Hawaii CCIM Chapter Hawaii Island Realtors Ho'akea LLC dba Ku'iwalu Honolulu Board of Realtors Institute of Real Estate Management Hawaii Chapter #34 International Association of Certified Home Inspectors (InterNACHI) International Council of Shopping Centers, Inc. Kauai Board of Realtors McKissock, LP Shari S. Motooka-Higa **OnCourse Learning Corporation** dba Career WebSchool **OnCourse Learning Corporation** dba ProSchools Preferred Systems, Inc. Ralph Foulger's School of Real Estate Realtors' Association of Maui, Inc. **REMI School of Real Estate Russ Goode Seminars** Servpro Industries Inc.\* USA Homeownership Foundation, Inc., dba Veterans Association of Real Estate Professionals (VAREP) Vitousek Real Estate Schools, Inc. West Hawaii Association of Realtors

## **PRELICENSE SCHOOLS**

Abe Lee Seminars Akahi Real Estate Network, LLC All Islands Real Estate School American Dream Real Estate School, LLC Bly School of Real Estate Carol Ball School of Real Estate Coldwell Banker Pacific Properties Real Estate School Continuing Ed Express, LLC Digital Learning Centers, LLC dba REMI School of Real Estate Inet Realty Maui Real Estate Academy, LLC dba KW Island Living Real Estate School **OnCourse Learning Corporation** ProSchools Ralph Foulger's School of Real Estate Seiler School of Real Estate Vitousek Real Estate Schools, Inc.



### 2018 REAL ESTATE COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

Laws & Rules Review Committee - 9:00 a.m.				
Condominium Review Committee - Upon adjournment of the Laws & Rules Review Committee Meeting Education Review Committee - Upon adjournment of the Condominium Review Committee Meeting	Real Estate Commission 9:00 a.m.			
Wednesday, January 10, 2018*	Friday, January 26, 2018			
Wednesday, February 14, 2018	Friday, February 23, 2018			
Wednesday, March 14, 2018	Friday, March 23, 2018			
Wednesday, April 11, 2018	Friday, April 27, 218			
Wednesday, May 9, 2018	Friday, May 25, 2018			
Wednesday, June 13, 2018	Friday, June 29, 2018			
Wednesday, July 11, 2018	Friday, July 27, 2018			
Wednesday, August 8, 2018	Friday, August 24, 2018			
Wednesday, September 12, 2018	Friday, September 21, 2018			
Wednesday, October 10, 2018	Friday, October 26, 2018			
Wednesday, November 14, 2018	Friday, November 21, 2018			
Wednesday, December 12, 2018	Friday, December 21, 218			

\* The meeting will be held at the REALTORS® Association of Maui, Inc. at 9:30 a.m. located at 441 Ala Makani Place, Kahului, Maui 96732.

All meetings will be held in the Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room of the King Kalakaua Building, 335 Merchant Street, First Floor.

Meeting dates, locations and times are subject to change without notice. Please visit the Commission's website at **www.hawaii.gov/hirec** or call the Real Estate Commission Office at 586-2643 to confirm the dates, times and locations of the meetings. This material can be made available to individuals with special needs. Please contact the executive officer at 586-2643 to submit your request.

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