

REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

831 KAR 3:080. Criminal background checks.

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(1) Provide a brief summary of:

(a) What this administrative regulation does:

This regulation establishes the criminal background check process for applicants for certification and licensure by the Kentucky Real Estate Appraisers Board (“Board”).

(b) The necessity of this administrative regulation:

This regulation is necessary to establish the criminal background check process for applicants as required by KRS 324A.100 and KRS 324A.152.

(c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes:

KRS 324A.035 authorizes and requires the Board to promulgate administrative regulations for certification or licensure of appraisers who perform appraisals of real property. KRS 324A.100 requires applicants to submit to a criminal background check as part of the application or registration process. Additionally, KRS 324A.152 requires applicants for registration of an Appraisal Management Company, as well as owners of 10% or more of the Appraisal Management Company, to submit to a criminal background check as part of the application or registration process.

(d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes:

The Board is charged with licensing and regulating the practice of appraisal in Kentucky. This administrative regulation will establish the process for appraisers and Appraisal Management Companies, including any owners of 10% or more of the Appraisal Management Company, to procure a background check as part of the application or registration process.

(2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:

(a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation:

Not applicable.

(b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation:

Not applicable.

(c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes:

Not applicable.

(d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes:

Not applicable.

(3) Does this administrative regulation or amendment implement legislation from the previous five years?

Yes, this regulation implements the following legislation from the previous five years.

HB 172 (Acts Chapter 21) "AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Real Estate Appraisers Board;" effective June 29, 2021.

HB 403 (Acts Chapter 182) "AN ACT relating to real property boards;" effective July 15, 2024.

(4) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation:

As of October 22, 2025, the Board licenses and regulates over 1,564 individual appraisers and 106 appraisal management companies ("AMCs") that will be affected by this administrative regulation, as follows: 721 Certified General Real Property Appraisers, 664 Certified Residential Real Property Appraiser, 13 Licensed Residential Real Property Appraisers, and 166 Associate Real Property Appraisers. This regulation will affect an unknown number of prospective applicants for licensure or certification.

(5) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in question (3) will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:

(a) List the actions that each of the regulated entities identified in question (3) will have to take to comply with this administrative regulation or amendment:

Current licensees will not need to take any new steps to comply with this regulation. This regulation is a new regulation and recodification of prior 201 KAR Chapter 30. Prospective applicants for licensure or certification will need to follow the background check process set forth in this administrative regulation. Prospective applicants for registration of an Appraisal Management Company will need to follow the background check process set forth in this administrative regulation.

(b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities identified in question (3):

This regulation will impose no new costs on licensees.

(c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities identified in question (3):

Prospective applicants for licensure will be able to identify requirements for licensure.

(6) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation:

(a) Initially:

There will be no additional cost to the Board to implement this administrative regulation initially.

(b) On a continuing basis:

There will be no additional cost to the Board to implement this administrative regulation on a continuing basis.

(7) What is the source of the funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation:

There is no additional funding necessary to implement this administrative regulation.

(8) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment:

The implementation of this administrative regulation requires no increase in fees or funding.

(9) State whether or not this administrative regulation establishes any fees or directly or indirectly increases any fees:

This administrative regulation does not establish any fees and neither directly nor indirectly increases any fees.

(10) TIERING: Is tiering applied? (Explain why or why not):

No, tiering is not applied because this administrative regulation applies equally to all applicants for licensure and certification and Appraisal Management Companies.