

Pennsylvania Association of Realtors® - Capitol Report

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Shapiro Signs Executive Order on Licensing Process

Pennsylvania Gov. Josh Shapiro signed an executive order last week that aims to improve the commonwealth's licensing process.

The order requires all state agencies to conduct a full review of how long it takes to process applications and how licensees and businesses can apply for licenses. The administration intends to use these reviews to determine reasonable timeframes for processing all applications. Once established, if an agency fails to meet these specific timeframes, the agency will be required to refund the application fee.

Register Now for PAR's Campaign School

PAR is holding its annual virtual **Realtor® Campaign School** in 2023.

Although the first session on nomination petitions has concluded, it can still be viewed online. For those interested in participating in the four remaining sessions, you can register online today. The sessions are free to active Pennsylvania Realtors® and residents across Pennsylvania.

The five, 60-minute sessions outline the key elements to winning an election and include:

- Jan. 18 – So You Want to Run for Office?
- March 8 – Campaign Planning, Research and Field Work
- March 15 – Campaign Fundraising
- March 22 – Campaign Messaging
- March 29 – Get Out the Vote

Save the Date: 2023 Advocacy Regional Training

Dates for the 2023 Advocacy Regional Trainings have been set. This year, we will be traveling to six locations throughout the state in order to give members multiple opportunities to attend the training.

Training Dates:

- Wednesday, March 15, 2 - 5 p.m. – Penn Harris Hotel, Harrisburg
- Thursday, March 23, 2 - 5 p.m. - Wind Creek, Bethlehem
- Friday, March 24, 2 - 5 p.m. - The Desmond, Malvern
- Thursday, March 30, 9 a.m. - noon - Toftrees, State College
- Thursday, April 20, 9 a.m. - noon – Hilton Garden Inn, Erie
- Friday, April 21, 9 a.m. - noon – Hilton Garden Inn, Cranberry

NAR and Coalition Asks FHA to Collaborate on New ROV Proposal

The National Association of Realtors® joined a group of industry and consumer groups to respond to the Federal Housing Administration's request for comment on proposed changes to a mortgagee letter on reconsideration of value.

The focus of the coalition was to urge FHA to halt implementation on the new ROV rule until engaging with other regulators to create uniform policy, among other concerns. NAR also submitted an individual response to FHA on the new rule.