96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB2339

Introduced 2/19/2009, by Rep. Angelo Saviano

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Land Sales Registration Act of 1999 and the Regulatory Sunset Act. Provides that the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (instead of the Commissioner of Banks and Real Estate and the Office of Banks and Real Estate) shall administer the Act. Makes changes regarding: registration and exemption; fees; returned checks; penalties; discipline; investigations; reports; orders; suspensions and revocations; records of proceedings; and other matters. Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act by repealing the Land Sales Registration Act of 1999 on January 1, 2020 (instead of January 1, 2010). Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Regulatory Sunset Act is amended by changing
Section 4.20 and by adding Section 4.30 as follows:

(5 ILCS 80/4.20) 6 7 Sec. 4.20. Acts repealed on January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010. 8 9 (a) The following Acts are repealed on January 1, 2010: The Auction License Act. 10 The Illinois Architecture Practice Act of 1989. 11 The Illinois Landscape Architecture Act of 1989. 12 The Illinois Professional Land Surveyor Act of 1989. 13 14 The Land Sales Registration Act of 1999. The Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics Practice 15 16 Act. 17 The Perfusionist Practice Act. The Professional Engineering Practice Act of 1989. 18 19 The Real Estate License Act of 2000. 20 The Structural Engineering Practice Act of 1989. 21 (b) The following Act is repealed on December 31, 2010: The Medical Practice Act of 1987. 22 (Source: P.A. 95-1018, eff. 12-18-08.) 23

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| 1 | (5 ILCS 80/4.30 new) |
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| 2 | Sec. 4.30. Act repealed on January 1, 2020. The following |
| 3 | Act is repealed on January 1, 2020: |
| 4 | The Land Sales Registration Act of 1999. |
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Section 10. The Land Sales Registration Act of 1999 is
amended by changing Sections 1-10, 1-15, 5-5, 5-10, 5-15, 5-20,
5-25, 10-15, 10-20, 10-30, 15-5, 15-10, 15-15, 15-20, 15-25,
15-30, 15-35, 15-40, 15-45, 15-50, 15-55, 15-60, 15-65, 15-70,
15-75, 20-5, 20-10, 20-15, 20-20, and 20-25 and by adding
Sections 5-23 and 15-7 as follows:

11 (765 ILCS 86/1-10)

12 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 1-10. Definitions. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

15 "Blanket encumbrance" means a trust deed, mortgage, 16 mechanics lien, or any other lien or financial encumbrance securing or evidencing money debt and affecting land to be 17 subdivided or affecting more than one lot or parcel of 18 19 subdivided land; or an agreement affecting more than one such 20 lot or parcel by which the subdivider holds the subdivision under an option, contract to purchase, or trust agreement. 21 22 Taxes and assessments levied by public authority are not an encumbrance under this Act. 23

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Banks and Real
 Estate or a natural person authorized by the Commissioner, the
 Office of Banks and Real Estate Act, or this Act to act in the
 Commissioner's stead.

5 "Common promotional plan" means a plan, undertaken by a single developer or a group of developers acting in concert, to 6 7 offer lots for sale or lease. Where land is offered for sale by 8 a developer or group of developers acting in concert and the 9 land is contiguous or is known, designated, or advertised as a 10 common unit or by a common name, the land is presumed, without 11 regard to the number of lots covered by each individual 12 offering, to be offered for sale or lease as part of a common 13 promotional plan.

14 <u>"Department" means the Illinois Department of Financial</u> 15 <u>and Professional Regulation.</u>

16 "Offer" includes every inducement, solicitation, or 17 attempt to encourage a person to acquire an interest in a 18 subdivision or subdivided land, if undertaken for gain or 19 profit.

20 "Person" means an individual, corporation, government or 21 governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, 22 trust, partnership, unincorporated association, 2 or more of 23 any of the foregoing having a joint or common interest, or any 24 other legal or commercial entity.

25 "Sale" includes a sale, lease, assignment, or award by26 lottery, or any offer or solicitation of an offer to do any of

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1 the foregoing, concerning a subdivision or any part of a 2 subdivision, if undertaken for gain or profit.

3 <u>"Secretary" means the Secretary of Financial and</u>
4 Professional Regulation.

5 "Subdivided land" and "subdivision" mean improved or 6 unimproved lands located outside the State of Illinois, divided 7 or proposed to be divided into 25 or more lots or parcels, and 8 also include any land, whether contiguous or not, if 25 or more 9 lots, parcels, units or interests are offered as a part of a 10 common promotional plan of advertising and sale.

11 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

12 (765 ILCS 86/1-15)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

14 Sec. 1-15. Powers and duties of the Department Office of 15 Banks and Real Estate. The Department Office of Banks and Real 16 Estate shall exercise the powers and duties established by this Act. The Secretary Commissioner may adopt rules consistent with 17 18 the provisions of this Act for its administration and 19 enforcement and may prescribe forms that shall be issued in connection with this Act. The Department Office of Banks and 20 21 Real Estate shall issue a certificate of registration to any 22 person who meets the qualifications set forth in this Act. (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) 23

24 (765 ILCS 86/5-5)

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(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) 1 2 5-5. Registration requirement; exemptions. It is Sec. 3 unlawful for any person to engage in the business of selling land that is located outside the State of Illinois to any 4 individual located in Illinois without a certificate of 5 registration issued by the Department Office of Banks and Real 6 7 Estate pursuant to this Act. Unless the method of sale is 8 adopted for the purpose of evasion of this Act, the provisions 9 of this Act do not apply to an offer or disposition of an 10 interest in land:

(1) by a purchaser of subdivided lands for the purchaser's own account in a single or isolated transaction;

14 (2) if fewer than 25 separate lots, parcels, units or
 15 interests in subdivided lands are offered by a person;

16 (3) on which there is a commercial or industrial 17 building, shopping center, house, apartment house, 18 condominium structure, or town house, or as to which there 19 is a legal obligation on the part of the seller to 20 construct such a building within 2 years from the date of 21 disposition;

22 (4) that is sold for industrial, commercial, or 23 institutional purposes;

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(5) that consists of cemetery lots or interests;

25 (6) that consists of a subdivision as to which the plan
26 of sale is to dispose of it to 10 or fewer persons; or

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| 1 | (7) in lots or parcels of 20 or more acres, |
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| 2 | unconditionally, or of 10 or more acres if there is free |
| 3 | and ready access leading to county-maintained roads. |
| 4 | (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) |
| 5 | (765 ILCS 86/5-10) |
| 6 | (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) |
| 7 | Sec. 5-10. Application for registration. |
| 8 | (a) Before subdivided lands are offered for sale, the |
| 9 | subdivider or the subdivider's agent shall file with the |
| 10 | Department Office of Banks and Real Estate an application on |
| 11 | forms supplied by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real |
| 12 | Estate. A registration fee shall accompany the application. The |
| 13 | application shall contain all of the following information: |
| 14 | (1) The name and address of the fee title owner of the |
| 15 | subdivided lands. |
| 16 | (2) The name and address of the subdivider. |
| 17 | (3) The name and address of an agent of the subdivider |
| 18 | in Illinois authorized to accept service of process on |
| 19 | behalf of the subdivider. |
| 20 | (4) The legal description and acreage of the lands, |
| 21 | together with a map showing the layout as recorded or |
| 22 | proposed and the relation of the lands to existing streets |
| 23 | or roads, waterways, schools, churches, shopping centers, |
| 24 | and local bus and rail transportation, with a statement of |
| 25 | distances to each. |

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1 (5) A true statement as to title to the subdivided 2 land, including all financial encumbrances and unpaid 3 taxes thereon.

(6) If subject property is in a land trust, a true statement of the names and addresses of all parties with a beneficial interest in the trust.

7 (7) A true statement of the terms and conditions by 8 which it is intended the subdivided land will be sold, 9 together with copies of any and all forms of contract or 10 conveyance intended to be used. If a language other than 11 English was used in advertising the property or during the 12 sales presentation, translations, in that language, of the 13 Illinois Public Property Report, any contract or lien, and 14 any note shall be provided to the purchaser before the 15 purchaser executes the contract. A receipt for these 16 translations shall be obtained and a copy of the receipt 17 shall be kept available in this State and subject to inspection by the Department Office of Banks and Real 18 19 Estate for 3 years from the date of the receipt.

20 (8) A true statement of provision for sewage disposal
21 and public utilities, if any, in the proposed or existing
22 subdivision, including water, electricity, gas, and
23 telephone facilities.

24 (9) A correct reference to applicable zoning25 ordinances and regulations.

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(10) Certified financial statements of the subdivider.

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1 (11) A proposed public property report, suitable for 2 distribution to any proposed purchaser if a certificate of 3 registration is issued, which shall contain the following 4 information:

5 (A) the name and principal address of the 6 subdivider;

7 (B) a general description of the subdivided lands,
8 stating the total number of lots, parcels, units, or
9 interests in the offering;

10 (C) the significant terms of any encumbrances, 11 easements, liens, and restrictions, including zoning 12 and other regulations affecting the subdivided lands 13 and each lot or unit, and a statement of all existing 14 taxes and existing or proposed special taxes or 15 assessments that affect the subdivided lands;

16 (D) a statement of the use for which the property17 is offered;

(E) information concerning improvements, including 18 19 streets, water supply, levees, drainage control 20 systems, irrigation systems, sewage disposal 21 facilities, and customary utilities, and the estimated 22 costs, date of completion, and responsibility for 23 construction and maintenance of existing and proposed improvements that are referred to in connection with 24 25 the offering or disposition of any interest in subdivided lands; 26

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(F) a statement that certified financial
 statements are available upon request; and

(G) such additional information consistent with
 this Act which may be required by the <u>Department</u> Office
 of Banks and Real Estate to assure full and fair
 disclosure to prospective purchasers.

7 (b) The subdivider shall report all material changes with 8 respect to subdivided lands registered for sale under this Act, 9 and the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate may require 10 that the public property report be amended to reflect such 11 material change. In the event the subdivider wishes to update 12 the public property report, the subdivider may do so upon proper application to the Department Office of Banks 13 and 14 Estate.

15 (c) If the subdivider registers additional subdivided 16 lands to be offered for sale, the subdivider may consolidate 17 the subsequent registration with any earlier registration 18 offering subdivided lands for sale under the same promotional 19 plan, and the public property report shall be amended to 20 include the additional subdivided lands so registered.

(d) The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate shall, at the time the application is submitted or from time to time thereafter, require the subdivider to furnish financial assurances, in the form of a performance bond, a surety bond, or an irrevocable letter of credit in the amount and subject to terms and requirements approved by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate, for the purpose of protecting purchasers of lots in the subdivision to ensure that the improvements will be constructed and maintained in the manner represented by the subdivider. The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate may accept evidence that such assurances have been furnished to a foreign state, or a county or municipality within such state, in fulfillment of this requirement.

8 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

9 (765 ILCS 86/5-15)

10 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 5-15. <u>Issuance</u> Notice of filing; issuance of certificate; exemption; renewal.

13 (a) The Department Upon receipt of the application for registration in proper form, the Office of Banks and Real 14 15 Estate shall issue a notice of filing to the applicant. Within 16 60 days from the date of the notice of filing, the Office of Banks and Real Estate shall enter an order registering the 17 subdivided lands or rejecting the registration. If no order of 18 rejection is entered within 60 days from the date of receipt 19 20 notice of filing, the land shall be deemed registered unless 21 the applicant has consented in writing to a delay.

22 (b) If the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate 23 affirmatively determines, upon inquiry and examination, that 24 the requirements of this Act have been met, it shall issue a 25 certificate of registration registering the subdivided lands

1 and shall approve the form of the public property report.

2 If the Department affirmatively determines, upon inquiry
3 and examination, the exemption requirements of this Act have
4 been met, it shall issue a written approval.

5 (c) If the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate 6 determines, upon inquiry and examination, that any of the 7 requirements of this Act have not been met, it shall notify the applicant that the application for registration or exemption 8 9 must be corrected in the particulars specified within 15 days. 10 If the requirements are not met within the time allowed, the 11 Department Office of Banks and Real Estate shall enter an order 12 rejecting the registration or exemption, which shall include 13 the findings of fact upon which the order is based. The order rejecting the registration shall not become effective for 20 14 days, during which time the applicant may petition for 15 16 reconsideration and shall be entitled to a hearing.

17 (d) The Department Office of Banks and Real Estate may adopt rules authorizing the subdivider or the subdivider's 18 agent to file an abbreviated application , as the subdivider's 19 20 application for a certificate of registration in lieu of some or all of the requirements of Section 5-10, (i) a copy of the 21 22 statement of record filed with respect to the subdivision pursuant to the Federal Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure 23 Act if the statement complies with the requirements of that Act 24 25 and the regulations pertinent to that Act or (ii) an acceptable 26 certificate of registration from another jurisdiction in which

the requirements for registration are substantially the same or 1 2 exceed those provided in this Act. Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 5-10, the Department Office of Banks 3 and Real Estate may suspend or revoke any registration under 4 5 this Section that includes any registration, property report, or similar disclosure documents accepted under this subsection 6 if the registration, property report, or similar disclosure is 7 8 suspended or revoked by the registering state or by the federal 9 government.

10 (e) A certificate of registration issued under this Section shall expire on June 30 following the date of issuance. In the 11 12 absence of any reason or condition under Section 15-5 $\frac{10-35}{10-35}$ 13 might warrant the suspension or revocation of that а 14 registration, a certificate shall be renewed upon payment of 15 the required fee and submission of documentation as provided by 16 rule. An exemption issued under this Section shall not expire or renew. The applicant must notify the Department of any 17 change in the status of the subdivision under which the 18 19 exemption was approved.

20 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

21 (765 ILCS 86/5-20)

22 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

23 Sec. 5-20. Fees.

(a) The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate shall
 provide, by rule, for fees to be paid by applicants and

registrants to cover the reasonable costs of the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate in administering and enforcing the provisions of this Act. The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate may also provide, by rule, for general fees to cover the reasonable expenses of carrying out other functions and responsibilities under this Act.

7 (b) All fees collected under this Act shall be paid into 8 the Real Estate License Administration Fund in the State 9 treasury and appropriated to the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and 10 Real Estate for administration of this Act or any other Act 11 administered by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate 12 and providing revenue to this fund.

13 (c) <u>(Blank).</u> Any person who delivers a check or other 14 payment to the Office of Banks and Real Estate that is returned 15 to the Office of Banks and Real Estate unpaid by the financial 16 institution upon which it is drawn shall pay to the Office of 17 Banks and Real Estate, in addition to the amount already owed 18 to the Office of Banks and Real Estate, a fee of \$50.

19 (d) <u>(Blank).</u> The fees imposed by this Section are in 20 addition to any other disciplinary action provided under this 21 Act for unlicensed practice or practice on a non-renewed 22 license.

(e) (Blank). The Office of Banks and Real Estate shall
notify the person that payment of fees and fines shall be paid
to the Office of Banks and Real Estate by certified check or
money order within 30 calendar days of the notification. If,

after the expiration of 30 days from the date of 1 notification, the person has failed to submit the necessary 2 remittance, the Office of Banks and Real Estate shall 3 automatically terminate the certificate of registration 4 5 deny the application, without hearing. If, after termination or 6 denial, the person seeks a certificate of registration, he 7 she shall apply to the Office of Banks and Real Estate 8 restoration or issuance of the certificate of registration and pay all fees due the Office of Banks and Real Estate. The 9 10 Commissioner -may waive the fees due under this Secti 11 individual cases where the Commissioner finds that the fees 12 would be unreasonable or unnecessarily burdensome.

13 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

14 (765 ILCS 86/5-23 new)

Sec. 5-23. Returned checks; civil penalties. Any person 15 16 who delivers a check or other payment to the Department that is returned to the Department unpaid by the financial institution 17 18 upon which it is drawn shall pay to the Department, in addition to the amount already owed to the Department, a civil penalty 19 20 of \$50. The civil penalties imposed by this Section are in 21 addition to any other discipline provided under this Act for 22 unlicensed practice or practice on a nonrenewed registration. 23 The Department shall notify the person that payment of fees and 24 civil penalties shall be paid to the Department by certified check or money order within 30 calendar days after the date of 25

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| 2 | date of the notification, the person has failed to submit the |
| 3 | necessary remittance, the Department shall automatically |
| 4 | terminate the registration or deny the application, without a |
| 5 | hearing. If, after termination or denial, the person seeks a |
| 6 | registration, he or she shall apply to the Department for |
| 7 | restoration or issuance of the registration and pay all fees |
| 8 | and civil penalties due to the Department. The Department may |
| 9 | establish a fee for the processing of an application for |
| 10 | restoration of a registration to pay all expenses of processing |
| 11 | this application. The Secretary may waive the civil penalties |
| 12 | due under this Section in individual cases where the Secretary |
| 13 | finds that the civil penalties would be unreasonable or |
| 14 | unnecessarily burdensome. |

15 (765 ILCS 86/5-25)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) 16 Sec. 5-25. Public property report. When a certificate of 17 registration is granted by the Department Office of Banks and 18 19 Real Estate, a copy of the public property report shall be 20 given by the owner, subdivider, or agent to each prospective 21 purchaser prior to the execution of any binding contract or agreement for the sale of any lot or parcel in a subdivision. A 22 23 receipt, in duplicate, shall be taken from each purchaser to 24 evidence compliance with this Section. Receipts taken for any 25 published report shall be kept on file in possession of the

owner, subdivider, or agent, subject to inspection by the 1 2 Department Office of Banks and Real Estate for 3 years from the 3 date the receipt is taken. The report shall not be used for advertising purposes unless the report is used in its entirety. 4 5 No portion of the report shall be underscored, italicized, or printed in larger or heavier type than any other portion of the 6 7 report, unless required by this Act. The report shall contain 8 the following statement:

9 If you received this report prior to signing a contract 10 or agreement, you may cancel your contract or agreement by 11 giving notice to the seller any time before midnight of the 12 seventh day following the signing of the contract or 13 agreement.

If you did not receive this report before you signed a contract or agreement, you may cancel the contract or agreement any time within 2 years from the date of signing. (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

18 (765 ILCS 86/10-15)

19 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

20 Sec. 10-15. Copies of instruments. A copy of the 21 instruments executed in connection with the sale of parcels 22 within a subdivision shall be kept available in this State and 23 subject to inspection by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and 24 Real Estate. The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate 25 shall be notified of any change of address affecting the

- 17 - LRB096 08499 AJO 18619 b HB2339 location of the owner's, subdivider's, or agent's records, or 1 2 of any change in the depository for purchasers' payments under this Act. 3 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) 4 5 (765 ILCS 86/10-20) 6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) 7 10-20. Sale of encumbered lots Sec. prohibited; exceptions. It is unlawful for the owner or subdivider to sell 8 9 lots or parcels within a subdivision subject to a blanket 10 encumbrance unless one of the following conditions is met: 11 (1) All sums paid or advanced by a purchaser are placed 12 in an escrow or other depository account acceptable to the 13 Department Office of Banks and Real Estate until (i) the 14 fee title contracted for is delivered to the purchaser by 15 deed together with complete release from all financial 16 encumbrances; (ii) the owner, subdivider, or purchaser defaults and fails to perform under the contract of sale 17 18 and there is final determination as to the disposition of 19 such moneys; or (iii) the funds in the escrow or other 20 account are voluntarily returned to the contract 21 purchaser. 22 (2) The fee title to the subdivision is placed in trust

22 under an agreement or trust acceptable to the <u>Department</u> 24 Office of Banks and Real Estate until a proper release from 25 each blanket encumbrance, including all taxes, is obtained

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and title is delivered to the purchaser.

2 (3) A bond to the State of Illinois is furnished to the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate for the benefit 3 and protection of purchasers of such lots or parcels, in 4 5 the amount and subject to terms approved by the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate. The bond shall be executed 6 7 by a surety company that is authorized to do business in 8 the State of Illinois and has given consent to be sued in 9 this State. The bond shall provide for the return of moneys 10 paid or advanced by a purchaser if (i) the title contracted 11 for is not delivered and (ii) a full release from each 12 blanket encumbrance is not obtained. If it is determined 13 that the purchaser, by reason of default or otherwise, is 14 not entitled to the return of those moneys, or any portion of those moneys, then the bond is released by the amount of 15 16 moneys to which the purchaser of parcel is not entitled.

17 blanket encumbrance contains (4) The provisions evidencing the subordination of the lien of the holder of 18 19 the blanket encumbrance to the rights of those persons 20 purchasing from the subdivider, and further evidencing that the subdivider is able to secure releases from such 21 22 blanket encumbrances with respect to the property.

23 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

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(765 ILCS 86/10-30)

25 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

| 1 | Sec. 10-30. Failure to pay registration <u>,</u> and inspection <u>, or</u> |
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| 2 | renewal fees; civil penalty. Any owner, subdivider, or agent |
| 3 | who fails to pay the registration, inspection, or renewal fees |
| 4 | when due shall be assessed a <u>late fee or</u> civil penalty of \$100 |
| 5 | per day for each day past the due date that the fee is not paid. |
| 6 | Practice by a registrant while in a non-renewed status |
| 7 | constitutes unregistered practice. Any penalties collected |
| 8 | under this Act shall be deposited into the Real Estate License |
| 9 | Administration Fund. |
| 10 | (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) |
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| 11 | (765 ILCS 86/15-5) |
| 12 | (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) |
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| 13 | Sec. 15-5. Disciplinary action; civil penalty. |
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(1) <u>Violations of this Act</u>, or of the rules promulgated <u>under this Act</u>. A registrant's disregard or violation of any provision of this Act or of the rules adopted by the Office of Banks and Real Estate to enforce this Act.

5 (2) (Blank). A conviction of the registrant or any 6 principal of the registrant of (i) a felony under the laws 7 of any U.S. jurisdiction, (ii) a misdemeanor under the laws 8 of any U.S. jurisdiction if an essential element of the 9 offense is dishonesty, or (iii) a crime under the laws of 10 any U.S. jurisdiction if the crime relates directly to the 11 practice of the profession regulated by this Act.

12 (3) A registrant's making any misrepresentation for
 13 the purpose of obtaining <u>an exemption or certificate of</u>
 14 <u>registration a registration or certificate</u>.

(4) Disciplinary action against a registrant by
another U.S. jurisdiction, state agency, or foreign nation
regarding the making of land sales regulated by this Act,
if at least one of the grounds for the discipline is the
same as or substantially equivalent to one of those set
forth in this Act.

(5) A finding by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and
 Real Estate that the registrant, after having his or her
 registration placed on probationary status, has violated
 the terms of probation.

25 (6) A registrant's practicing or attempting to
 26 practice under a name other than the name as shown on his

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or her registration or any other legally authorized name.

(7) <u>Failure to pay.</u> A registrant's failure to file a return, or to pay the tax, penalty, or interest shown in a filed return, or to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty, or interest, as required by any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue, until the requirements of any such tax Act are satisfied.

8 (A) Violation of tax Acts. The Department may 9 refuse to issue or renew or may suspend the 10 registration of any person who fails to file a return, 11 pay the tax, penalty, or interest shown in a filed 12 return, or pay any final assessment of tax, penalty, or 13 interest, as required by any tax Act administered by 14 the Department of Revenue, until such time as the requirements of that tax Act are satisfied in 15 16 accordance with subsection (g) of Section 2105-15 of 17 the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois.

(B) Educational loan defaults. The Department 18 19 shall deny a registration or renewal authorized by this 20 Act to a person who has defaulted on an educational 21 loan or scholarship provided or guaranteed by the 22 Illinois Student Assistance Commission or any 23 governmental agency of this State in accordance with 24 paragraph (a)(5) of Section 2105-15 of the Civil 25 Administrative Code of Illinois.

26 (C) Child support delinquency. In cases where the

| 1 | Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly |
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| 2 | Department of Public Aid) has previously determined |
| 3 | that a registrant or a potential registrant is more |
| 4 | than 30 days delinquent in the payment of child support |
| 5 | and has subsequently certified the delinquency to the |
| 6 | Department may refuse to issue or renew or may revoke |
| 7 | or suspend that person's registration or may take other |
| 8 | disciplinary action against that person based solely |
| 9 | upon the certification of delinquency made by the |
| 10 | Department of Healthcare and Family Services in |
| 11 | accordance with paragraph (a)(5) of Section 2105-15 of |
| 12 | the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. |

13 (8) A registrant's engaging in dishonorable,
14 unethical, or unprofessional conduct of a character likely
15 to deceive, defraud, or harm the public.

16 (9) A registrant's aiding or abetting another person or
17 persons in disregarding or violating any provision of this
18 Act or of the rules adopted by the <u>Department</u> Office of
19 Banks and Real Estate to enforce this Act.

(10) Any representation in any document or information
filed with the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate
which is false or misleading.

(11) A registrant's disseminating or causing to be
 disseminated any false or misleading promotional materials
 or advertisements in connection with a registered
 subdivision.

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1 (12) A registrant's concealing, diverting, or 2 disposing of any funds or assets of any person in a manner 3 that impairs the rights of purchasers of lots within a 4 registered subdivision.

(13) A registrant's failure to perform any stipulation or agreement made to induce the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate to issue an order relating to the registered subdivision.

9 (14) A registrant's engaging in any act that 10 constitutes a violation of Section 3-102, 3-103, 3-104, or 11 3-105 of the Illinois Human Rights Act.

12 (15) A registrant's failure to provide information 13 requested in writing by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and 14 Real Estate, within 30 days of the request, either as the 15 result of a formal or informal complaint to the Office of 16 Banks and Real Estate or as a result of a random audit 17 conducted by the Office of Banks and Real Estate, which 18 would indicate a violation of this Act.

(16) A registrant's failure to account for or remit any
escrow funds coming into his or her possession which
belonged to others.

(17) A registrant's failure to make available to
 <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate personnel during
 normal business hours all escrow records and related
 documents maintained in connection therewith, within 24
 hours of a request from <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real

1 Estate personnel.

(18) A registrant's failure to comply with any
provision of this Act or the rules implementing this Act,
or any order made by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and
Real Estate.

6 (19) A person's offering for sale, as an agent, 7 salesman, or broker for a subdivider, developer, or owner, 8 subdivided lands or a subdivision, wherever situated, 9 without first complying with this Act.

(20) A registrant's failure to provide to the purchaser
 a translation of the Illinois Public Property Report or any
 contract, lien, or note as required by this Act.

13 (21) A registrant's advertising for sale in this State 14 any parcel in a subdivision, or in any other manner 15 assisting an owner, subdivider, or developer of a 16 subdivision who has not complied with this Act to offer 17 subdivided land within this State.

18 (22) A registrant's making any material change in the 19 plan of disposition and development of the subdivision or 20 subdivided lands subsequent to receiving a certificate of 21 registration, without obtaining written approval of an 22 amendment to the registration.

(23) A registrant's encumbering a lot or parcel, or
allowing a lot or parcel to be encumbered, after a contract
for its sale has been signed by the parties to the
contract.

| 1 | (b) (Blank). A civil penalty imposed under subsection (a) |
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| 2 | shall be paid within 60 days after the effective date of the |
| 3 | order imposing the civil penalty. The order shall constitute a |
| 4 | judgment and may be filed and execution had thereon in the same |
| 5 | manner as any judgment from any court of record. |
| 6 | (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) |
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| 7 | (765 ILCS 86/15-7 new) |
| 8 | Sec. 15-7. Civil penalties. |
| 9 | (a) In addition to any other penalty provided by law, any |
| 10 | person who violates this Act shall forfeit and pay a civil |
| 11 | penalty to the Department in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 |
| 12 | for each violation as determined by the Department. The civil |
| 13 | penalty shall be assessed by the Department in accordance with |
| 14 | the provisions of this Act. |
| 15 | (b) The Department has the authority and power to |
| 16 | investigate any and all unlicensed activity. |
| 17 | (c) The civil penalty shall be paid within 60 days after |
| 18 | the effective date of the order imposing the civil penalty. The |
| 19 | order shall constitute a judgment and may be filed and |
| 20 | execution had thereon in the same manner as any judgment from |
| 21 | any court of record. |
| 22 | (d) All moneys collected under this Section shall be |
| 23 | deposited into the Real Estate License Administration Fund. |
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(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)
Sec. 15-10. Investigation. The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks
and Real Estate may investigate the actions or qualifications
of any person or persons holding or claiming to hold a
certificate of registration under this Act. Such a person is
referred to as "the respondent" in this Article.

7 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

8 (765 ILCS 86/15-15)

9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 15-15. Disciplinary hearings; record; appointment of administrative law judge.

12 (a) The Department Office of Banks and Real Estate has the authority to conduct hearings before an administrative law 13 judge on proceedings to revoke, suspend, or refuse to issue or 14 15 renew a certificate of registration issued under this Act, or 16 to place on probation or administrative supervision or reprimand a registrant registered under this Act, or to impose 17 a civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 upon any registrant 18 registered under this Act. 19

20 (b) The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate, at its 21 expense, shall preserve a record of all proceedings at the 22 formal hearing of any case involving the refusal to issue or 23 the revocation or suspension of a certificate of registration 24 issued under this Act or involving other discipline of a 25 registrant registered under this Act. The notice of hearing,

complaint, and all other documents in the nature of pleadings 1 2 and written motions filed in the proceedings, the transcript of 3 testimony, the report of the administrative law judge, and the orders of the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate shall 4 5 be the record of proceeding. At all hearings or prehearing conferences, the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate and 6 7 the respondent shall be entitled to have a court reporter in 8 attendance for purposes of transcribing the proceeding or 9 prehearing conference.

10 (c) The Secretary Commissioner has the authority to appoint 11 any attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of 12 Illinois to serve as an administrative law judge in any action 13 for refusal to issue or renew a certificate of registration or 14 to discipline a registrant or person holding a certificate of 15 registration. The administrative law judge has full authority 16 to conduct the hearing. The administrative law judge shall 17 report his or her findings and recommendations to the Secretary Commissioner. If the Secretary Commissioner disagrees with the 18 19 recommendation of the administrative law judge, the Secretary 20 Commissioner may issue an order in contravention of the recommendation. 21

22 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

23 (765 ILCS 86/15-20)

24 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

25 Sec. 15-20. Investigations; notice and hearing. Notice of

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| 1 | proposed disciplinary action; hearing. The Department may |
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| 2 | investigate the actions of any applicant or of any person or |
| 3 | persons rendering or offering to render land sales services or |
| 4 | any person holding or claiming to hold a certificate of |
| 5 | registration as a registered land sales developer or |
| 6 | subdivision. The Department shall, before revoking, |
| 7 | suspending, placing on probation, reprimanding, or taking any |
| 8 | other disciplinary action under Section 80 of this Act, at |
| 9 | least 30 days before the date set for the hearing: (i) notify |
| 10 | the accused in writing of the charges made and the time and |
| 11 | place for the hearing on the charges, (ii) direct him or her to |
| 12 | file a written answer to the charges with the Department under |
| 13 | oath within 20 days after the service on him or her of the |
| 14 | notice, and (iii) inform the accused that, if he or she fails |
| 15 | to answer, default will be taken against him or her or that his |
| 16 | or her registration may be suspended, revoked, placed on |
| 17 | probationary status, or other disciplinary action taken with |
| 18 | regard to the registration, including limiting the scope, |
| 19 | nature, or extent of his or her practice, as the Department may |
| 20 | consider proper. At the time and place fixed in the notice, the |
| 21 | Department shall proceed to hear the charges and the parties or |
| 22 | their counsel shall be accorded ample opportunity to present |
| 23 | any pertinent statements, testimony, evidence, and arguments. |
| 24 | The Department may continue the hearing from time to time. In |
| 25 | case the person, after receiving the notice, fails to file an |
| 26 | answer, his or her registration may, in the discretion of the |

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Department, be suspended, revoked, placed on probationary 1 2 status, or the Department may take whatever disciplinary action considered proper, including limiting the scope, nature, or 3 extent of the person's practice or the imposition of a fine, 4 without a hearing, if the act or acts charged constitute 5 sufficient grounds for that action under this Act. The written 6 notice may be served by personal delivery or by certified mail 7 to the address specified by the accused in his or her last 8 9 notification with the Department.

10 (a) Before taking any disciplinary action with regard to 11 any registrant, the Office of Banks and Real Estate shall:

12 (1) notify the respondent in writing, at least 30 13 calendar days prior to the date set for the hearing, of any 14 charges made, the time and place for the hearing of the 15 charges, and that testimony at the hearing will be heard 16 under oath; and

17 (2) inform the respondent that upon failure to file an 18 answer and request a hearing before the date originally set 19 for the hearing, default will be taken against the 20 respondent and the respondent's certificate of 21 registration may be suspended or revoked, or other 22 disciplinary action may be taken against the respondent, as 23 the Office of Banks and Real Estate may deem proper.

24 (b) If the respondent fails to file an answer after
25 receiving notice, the respondent's certificate of registration
26 may, in the discretion of the Office of Banks and Real Estate,

be revoked or suspended, or other disciplinary action may be taken against the respondent, as deemed proper, without a hearing, if the act or acts charged constitute sufficient grounds for that action under this Act.

5 (c) At the time and place fixed in the notice, the Office 6 of Banks and Real Estate shall proceed to hearing of the 7 charges. Both the respondent and the complainant shall be 8 accorded ample opportunity to present in person, or by counsel, 9 statements, testimony, evidence, and argument that may be 10 pertinent to the charges or any defense to the charges.

11 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

12 (765 ILCS 86/15-25)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)
14 Sec. 15-25. Subpoenas; attendance of witnesses; oaths.

(a) The Department Office of Banks and Real Estate has the 15 16 power to issue subpoenas ad testificandum and to bring before it any persons, and to take testimony either orally or by 17 deposition, or both, with the same fees and mileage and in the 18 19 same manner as prescribed in civil cases in the courts of this 20 State. The Department Office of Banks and Real Estate has the 21 power to issue subpoenas duces tecum and to bring before it any 22 documents, papers, files, books, and records, with the same costs and in the same manner as prescribed in civil cases in 23 24 the courts of this State.

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(b) Upon application of the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and

Real Estate or its designee or of the applicant, registrant, or person holding a certificate of registration against whom proceedings under this Act are pending, any circuit court may enter an order compelling the enforcement of any subpoena issued by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate in connection with any hearing or investigation.

7 (c) The <u>Secretary</u> Commissioner and the designated 8 administrative law judge have power to administer oaths to 9 witnesses at any hearing that the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks 10 and Real Estate is authorized to conduct under this Act.

11 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

12 (765 ILCS 86/15-30)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 15-30. Administrative law judge's findings of fact, 14 15 conclusions of law, and recommendations. At the conclusion of 16 the hearing, the administrative law judge shall present to the Secretary Commissioner a written report of the administrative 17 judge's findings of fact, conclusions of law, 18 law and 19 recommendations regarding discipline or a civil penalty. The 20 report shall contain a finding of whether or not the respondent 21 violated this Act or failed to comply with the conditions 22 required in this Act. The administrative law judge shall specify the nature of the violation or failure to comply. If 23 24 the Secretary Commissioner disagrees in any regard with the 25 report of the administrative law judge, the Secretary

Commissioner may issue an order in contravention of the report.
The Commissioner shall provide a written report to the administrative law judge on any deviation and shall specify with particularity the reasons for that action in the final order.

6 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

7 (765 ILCS 86/15-35)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

9 Sec. 15-35. Rehearing. After any hearing involving 10 disciplinary action against a registrant, a copy of the 11 administrative law judge's report shall be served on the 12 respondent by the Department Office of Banks and Real -Estate, either personally or as provided in this Act for the service of 13 the notice of hearing. Within 20 calendar days after the 14 15 service, the respondent may present to the Department Office of 16 Banks and Real Estate a motion in writing for a rehearing. The motion shall specify the particular grounds for rehearing. If 17 the respondent orders a transcript of the record from the 18 reporting service and pays for it within the time for filing a 19 20 motion for rehearing, the 20 calendar day period within which a 21 motion for rehearing may be filed shall commence upon the 22 delivery of the transcript to the respondent.

If no motion for rehearing is filed, then upon the expiration of the time specified for filing a motion, or if a motion for rehearing is denied, then upon denial, the <u>Secretary</u>

Commissioner may enter an order in accordance with 1 the recommendations of the administrative law judge, except as 2 otherwise provided in this Article. Whenever the Secretary 3 Commissioner is not satisfied that substantial justice has been 4 5 done in the hearing or in the administrative law judge's report, the Secretary Commissioner may order a rehearing by the 6 same or some other duly qualified administrative law judge. 7 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) 8

9 (765 ILCS 86/15-40)

10 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

11 Sec. 15-40. Disciplinary consent orders. Notwithstanding 12 any other provisions of this Act concerning the conduct of hearings and recommendations for disciplinary actions, the 13 14 Department Office of Banks and Real Estate has the authority to 15 negotiate agreements with registrants and applicants resulting 16 in disciplinary or non-disciplinary consent orders. Any such consent order may provide for any form of discipline provided 17 18 for in the Act. Any such consent order shall provide that it is 19 not entered into as a result of any coercion by the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate. The consent order shall be 20 21 final upon signature of the Secretary Any such consent order 22 shall be accepted by signature or rejected by the Commissioner 23 in a timely manner.

24 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

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1 (765 ILCS 86/15-45)

2 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

3 Sec. 15-45. Order or certified copy. An order or a 4 certified copy of an order, over the seal of the <u>Department</u> 5 <u>Office of Banks and Real Estate</u> and purporting to be signed by 6 the <u>Secretary Commissioner</u>, shall be prima facie proof of the 7 following:

8 (1) That the signature is the genuine signature of the
 9 <u>Secretary Commissioner</u>.

10 (2) That the <u>Secretary</u> Commissioner is duly appointed
 11 and qualified.

12 (3) That the administrative law judge is duly appointed13 and qualified.

14 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

15 (765 ILCS 86/15-50)

16 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) Sec. 15-50. Restoration of certificate of registration. 17 18 Upon petition, after the successful completion of the term of 19 At any time after the suspension or revocation of any certificate of registration, the Department Office of Banks and 20 21 Real Estate may restore the certificate of registration to the 22 the written recommendation of respondent upon the administrative law judge, unless after an investigation and a 23 24 hearing the administrative law judge determines that 25 restoration is not in the public interest.

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1 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

2 (765 ILCS 86/15-55)

3 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) 4 Sec. 15-55. Surrender of certificate of registration. Upon 5 the revocation or suspension of a certificate of registration, 6 the registrant shall immediately surrender the certificate of 7 registration to the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate. 8 If the registrant fails to do so, the Department Office of 9 Banks and Real Estate has the right to seize the certificate of 10 registration.

11 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

12 (765 ILCS 86/15-60)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

14 Sec. 15-60. Administrative Review Law; transcripts; 15 certifications of record; costs. All final administrative decisions of the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate 16 17 under this Act are subject to judicial review under the Administrative Review Law and the rules implementing that Law. 18 The term "administrative decision" is defined as in Section 19 20 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Proceedings for judicial 21 review shall be commenced in the circuit court of the county in which the party applying for review resides, but if the party 22 is not a resident of this State, the venue shall be in Cook or 23 24 Sangamon County.

Pending the court's final decision on administrative review, the acts, orders, sanctions, and rulings of the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate regarding any registration shall remain in full force and effect unless modified or suspended by court order pending a final judicial decision.

7 <u>The Department, at its own expense, shall preserve a record</u> 8 <u>of all proceedings at the formal hearing of a case involving</u> 9 <u>the refusal to issue or renew a license. The notice of hearing,</u> 10 <u>complaint, and all other documents in the nature of pleadings</u> 11 <u>and written motions filed in the proceedings, the transcript of</u> 12 <u>testimony, the report, and orders of the Department shall be in</u> 13 <u>the record of the proceeding.</u>

The Department shall not be required to certify any record 14 to the court or file any answer in court or otherwise appear in 15 16 any court in a judicial review proceeding unless there is filed 17 in the court a receipt from the Department acknowledging payment of the costs of furnishing and certifying the record, 18 19 which shall be computed at the rate of 20 cents per page of the 20 record. Failure on the part of a plaintiff to file a receipt in court shall be grounds for dismissal of the action. 21

The Office of Banks and Real Estate shall not be required to certify any record to the court or file any answer in court or otherwise appear in any court in a judicial review proceeding unless there is filed in the court, with the complaint, a receipt from the Office of Banks and Real Estate acknowledging payment of the costs of furnishing and certifying
 the record. Failure on the part of the plaintiff to file a
 receipt in the court is grounds for dismissal of the action.

4 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

5 (765 ILCS 86/15-65)

6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

7 Sec. 15-65. Public interest, safety, or welfare; summary 8 suspension. The Secretary Commissioner may temporarily suspend 9 any registration pursuant to this Act, without hearing, 10 simultaneously with the institution of proceedings for a 11 hearing provided for in this Section, if the Secretary 12 Commissioner finds that the evidence indicates that imminent danger exists to the public interest, safety, or welfare 13 14 imperatively requires emergency action. If the Secretary 15 Commissioner temporarily suspends any registration without a 16 hearing, a hearing must be held within 30 calendar days after the suspension. The person whose registration is suspended may 17 seek a continuance of the hearing, during which the suspension 18 shall remain in effect. The proceeding shall be concluded 19 20 without appreciable delay.

21 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

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23 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

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1 injunction.

2 (a) Any person who practices, offers to practice, attempts to practice, or holds himself or herself out to practice as a 3 registrant under this Act without being registered under this 4 5 Act shall, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, pay a civil penalty to the Department Office of Banks and Real 6 7 Estate in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for each offense as 8 determined by the Department Office of Banks and Real Estate. 9 The civil penalty shall be assessed by the Department Office of 10 Banks and Real estate after a hearing is held in accordance 11 with the provisions set forth in this Act regarding the 12 provision of a hearing for the discipline of a registration.

13 (b) Whenever, in the opinion of the Department, a person violates any provision of this Act, the Department may issue a 14 rule to show cause why an order to cease and desist should not 15 be entered against that person. The rule shall clearly set 16 17 forth the grounds relied upon by the Department and shall allow at least 7 days after the date of the rule to file an answer 18 satisfactory to the Department. Failure to answer to the 19 20 satisfaction of the Department shall cause an order to cease and desist to be issued The Office of Banks and Real Estate has 21 22 the authority and power to investigate any and all activity 23 subject to registration under this Act.

(c) A civil penalty imposed under subsection (a) shall be
paid within 60 days after the effective date of the order
imposing the civil penalty. The order shall constitute a

judgment and may be filed and execution had thereon in the same manner as any judgment from any court of record.

(d) Engaging in the sale of land located outside the State 3 of Illinois but offered for sale in Illinois by any entity not 4 5 holding a valid and current registration under this Act is 6 declared to be inimical to the public welfare, to constitute a 7 public nuisance, and to cause irreparable harm to the public 8 welfare. The Secretary Commissioner, the Attorney General, the 9 State's Attorney of any county in the State, or any person may 10 maintain an action in the name of the People of the State of 11 Illinois, and may apply for injunctive relief in any circuit 12 court to enjoin the entity from engaging in the conduct prohibited under this subsection. Upon the filing of a verified 13 petition in the court, the court, if satisfied by affidavit or 14 15 otherwise that the entity has been engaged in that conduct 16 without a valid and current registration, may enter a temporary 17 restraining order without notice or bond, enjoining the defendant from such further conduct. Only the showing of 18 nonregistration, by affidavit or otherwise, is necessary in 19 20 order for a temporary injunction to issue. A copy of the verified complaint shall be served upon the defendant and the 21 22 proceedings shall thereafter be conducted as in other civil 23 cases except as modified by this Section. If it is established 24 that the defendant has been or is engaged in such unlawful 25 conduct, the court may enter an order or judgment perpetually enjoining the defendant from further unlawful conduct. In all 26

proceedings hereunder, the court, in its discretion, may 1 2 apportion the costs among the parties interested in the action, including cost of filing the complaint, service of process, 3 witness fees and expenses, court reporter charges 4 and reasonable attorneys' fees. In the case of a violation of any 5 injunctive order entered under the provisions of this Section, 6 the court may summarily try and punish the offender for 7 8 contempt of court. Proceedings for an injunction under this 9 Section shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, all 10 penalties and other remedies provided in this Act.

11 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

12 (765 ILCS 86/15-75)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 15-75. Cease and desist orders. The <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate may issue a cease and desist order to any person who engages in any activity prohibited by this Act. Any person in violation of a cease and desist order entered by the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate is subject to all of the remedies provided by law.

20 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

21 (765 ILCS 86/20-5)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)
 Sec. 20-5. Administration of Act. The <u>Department</u> Office of
 Banks and Real Estate shall exercise the powers and duties

prescribed by the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois and 1 2 shall exercise other powers and duties necessary for 3 effectuating the purposes of this Act. The Department Office of Banks and Real Estate may contract with third parties for 4 5 services necessary for the proper administration of this Act. 6 The Department Office of Banks and Real Estate has the 7 authority to establish public policies and procedures 8 necessary for the administration of this Act.

9 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

10 (765 ILCS 86/20-10)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)
Sec. 20-10. Administrative rules. The <u>Department</u> Office of
Banks and Real Estate shall adopt rules for the implementation
and enforcement of this Act.

15 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

16 (765 ILCS 86/20-15)

17 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 20-15. Investigation of subdivisions. The <u>Department</u> <u>may Office of Banks and Real Estate shall</u> investigate <u>any every</u> subdivision offered for sale in this State and may:

(1) Require the applicant to submit reports prepared by
 competent engineers concerning any hazard to which any
 subdivision offered for sale is subject in the opinion of
 the <u>Department</u> Office of Banks and Real Estate, or any

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factor that affects the utility of lots or parcels within the subdivision, and require evidence of compliance.

3 (2) Make an on-site inspection of each subdivision. In connection with any on-site inspection, the owner, 5 subdivider, or agent shall defray all expenses incurred by 6 the inspector in the course of the inspection.

7 additional on-site inspections of (3) Make each 8 subdivision for which the owner, subdivider, or agent shall 9 defray all expenses incurred by the inspector in the course 10 of the inspection.

11 (4) Require the owner, subdivider, or agent to deposit 12 the expenses to be incurred in any inspection, in advance, based upon an estimate by the Department Office of Banks 13 14 and Real Estate of the expenses likely to be incurred.

15 (5) In those cases where an on-site inspection of any 16 subdivision has been made under the provisions of this Act, waive an inspection of a subsequent registration submitted 17 as an amendment to the registration covering subdivided 18 19 land to be sold under the same common promotional plan. An 20 inspection of the subsequent registration may be made in 21 connection with the next succeeding on-site inspection.

22 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.)

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24 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

25 Sec. 20-20. Forms. The Department Office of Banks and Real HB2339 - 43 - LRB096 08499 AJO 18619 b

Estate may prescribe forms and procedures for submitting to the 1 2 Department Office of Banks and Real Estate. (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) 3 4 (765 ILCS 86/20-25) 5 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010) 6 Sec. 20-25. Real Estate License Administration Fund. All 7 fees collected for registration and for civil penalties 8 pursuant to this Act and administrative rules adopted under 9 this Act shall be deposited into the Real Estate Administration 10 Fund. The moneys deposited in the Real Estate Administration 11 License Fund shall be appropriated to the Department Office of 12 Banks and Real Estate for expenses for the administration and enforcement of this Act. 13 (Source: P.A. 91-338, eff. 12-30-99.) 14

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.

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