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Mr. Steven Wennberg, Counsel
State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers
P.O. Box 2649
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Dear Mr. Wennberg:

On behalf of the 25,000 members of the Pennsylvania Association of REALTORS® we welcome the opportunity to comment on the proposed Broker/Appraiser fee regulations published in the May 2, 1998 edition of *The Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This proposed rulemaking would add two fees to the schedule of fees currently charged by the Appraisal Board. These fees relate to the newly created certification class of broker/appraiser: an application fee of \$40, and an initial certification fee of \$90 (if certification occurs between July 1, 1997 and June 30, 1998) or \$45 (if certification occurs between September 3, 1996 and June 30, 1997, or on or after July 1, 1998).

It is our understanding that the proposed fees would be used to defray the application process and administrative overhead costs incurred by the Board in processing applications and providing for general operating expenses. Furthermore, the proposed fees will not entail additional paperwork on behalf of the Board or the regulated community.

The Pennsylvania Association of REALTORS® does not foresee any difficulties with this proposed rulemaking. We appreciate the opportunity of sharing our views with you on this subject. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns about the real estate industry.

Sincerely,

Melissa Sieg, Chairman
License Law Sub-Committee

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