Real Estate Appraiser Examining Board

LIL M. PERRY, chair, Washington; term expires 1999 DAVID R. HICKS, vice-chair, Ames; term expires 1998 TERRENCE D. CULVER, Des Moines; term expires 1998 L. CRAIG HARRIS, Shenandoah; term expires 1999 GARY J. JOHNSON. Forest City, term expires 2000 THERESA H. LEWIS, Des Moines; term expires 2000 NANCY M. LARSON. Des Moines; term expires 2000 William M. Schraeder, executive secretary

The Real Estate Appraiser Board was enacted in 1989 to establish standards for real estate appraisals and to establish procedures for the voluntary certification of real estate appraisers.

The board consists of seven members, two of whom shall be public members and five of whom shall be real estate appraisers. All board members are appointed by the governor and are subject to confirmation by the Senate. The members are appointed to three year terms.

The board shall examine candidates for certification, issue certificates, investigate violations and infractions of the law and revoke, suspend, or administer other disciplinary sanctions to persons found to be in violation of the law and/or administrative rules.

Real Estate Commission

RUSSELL D. NADING, chair, Marion; term expires 2000 TERRY ROGERS, vice-chair, Council Bluffs; term expires 1998 THERESA A. LOFFREDO, Des Moines; term expires 1999 MARK G. ODDEN, Manchester; term expires 1999 EVELYN M. RANK, Clarinda; term expires 2000 Roger Hansen, executive secretary

The first real estate license law was enacted by the 43rd General Assembly and became effective on January 1, 1930.

The Real Estate Commission administers the Iowa Real Estate License Law, Chapter 543.B, and Sales of Subdivided Land Outside of Iowa, Chapter 543C. The commission also administers appropriate portions of the Continuing Education Program, Chapter 272C. The license law authorizes the commission to issue licenses and regulate the activities of real estate brokers and salespersons, and to carry out a program of real estate education. The subdivided land law authorizes the commission to register out-of-state subdividers who engage in business in Iowa, and to refer violations to the attorney general or to an appropriate court. Chapter 272C requires licensees to participate in continuing education, and authorized the commission to make rules. The Act also establishes procedures for review of the licenses and lists grounds for disciplinary sanctions.

Utilities Division

Allan T. Thoms, chair; Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-5979

Iowa Utilities Board

ALLAN T. THOMS, chair, Polk County; term expires 2001 EMMIT J. GEORGE, Polk county; term expires 2003 NANCY SHIMANEK BOYD, Polk County; term expires 1999 Raymond K. Vawter, Jr., executive secretary

The Utilities Board is responsible for the regulation of the rates and services of most of the electric, gas, telephone, and water utilities operating in Iowa.

The three-member board is a quasi-judicial body which presides over contested cases and establishes and oversees long-term regulatory policy. The chair of the board is the chief executive of the Utilities Division and is responsible for the administration of divisional program. Four bureaus make up the Utilities Division organizational structure: Board member's Staff; General Counsel: Public Information/Consumer Services; and Rate and Safety Evaluation.

Board Members' Staff

Raymond K. Vauter, Jr., executive secretary, 515/281-5256

This bureau assists the board in the preparation of material necessary for it to perform its duties. It assists in the preparation for decision meetings and coordinates scheduling