

shall meet annually at the seat of government.

Real Estate Appraiser Examining Board

SHARON CHRISM, chair, Ankeny; term expires 2002; RICHARD BRUCE, vice-chair, Adel; term expires 2001; JACK SEUNTJENS, Mapleton; term expires 2001; LUTHER GAMMAN, Glenwood; term expires 2002; 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. Schroeder, executive secretary

The Real Estate Appraiser Board was created 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

TERRY ROGERS, chair, Council Bluffs; term expires 2001; BARBARA LEESTAMPER, Cedar Falls; term expires 2002; ROBERT MILLER, Des Moines; term expires 2002; RUSSELL D. NADING, Marion; term expires 2000; 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 543B, and Sales of Subdivided Land Outside of Iowa, Chapter 543C. The commission also administers appropriate portions of the Continuing Education and Regulation 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; SUSAN J. FRYE, Johnson county; term expires 2005; DIANE MUNNS, term expires 2005; Raymond K. Vawter, Jr., executive secretary

The Utilities Board is responsible for the regulation of the rates and services of investor-owned electric, gas, telephone, and water utilities operating in Iowa. Price regulation is available to local telephone utilities which serve more than 15,000 customers. This responds to the shift from a monopoly telephone industry at the local level. Telephone companies may price and market their services more like competitive firms. As the utility industry continues to move to a competitive arena, the Board has active notice of inquiry dockets on emerging competition in the electric industry and small volume gas transportation.

The three-member board is a policy-making body for the utilities division. The chairperson serves as the administrator of the utilities division. As administrator, the chairperson is responsible for all administrative functions and decisions. There are eight sections in the Utilities Division organizational structure: the Office of Executive Secretary, General Counsel, Customer Service, Energy, Information Technology, Policy Development, Safety and Engineering and Telecommunications.

Office of Executive Secretary - Raymond K. Vawter, Jr., executive secretary; 515/281-5256

The Executive Secretary is appointed by the board and is its chief operating officer and responsible for all technical staff. The Executive Secretary coordinates personnel and purchasing for the division, and assists in the administration of the division. The Executive Secretary is the custodian of the board seal and all board records. The Deputy Executive