

By Senator Rodriguez

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the Florida Real Estate Appraisal  
3           Board; amending s. 475.613, F.S.; revising the  
4           composition of the board; providing an effective date.

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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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8           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 475.613, Florida  
9 Statutes, is amended to read:

10           475.613 Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board.—

11           (1) There is created the Florida Real Estate Appraisal  
12 Board, which shall consist of seven ~~nine~~ members appointed by  
13 the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. Four  
14 members of the board must be real estate appraisers who have  
15 been engaged in the general practice of appraising real property  
16 in this state for at least 5 years immediately preceding  
17 appointment. In appointing real estate appraisers to the board,  
18 while not excluding other appraisers, the Governor shall give  
19 preference to real estate appraisers who are not primarily  
20 engaged in real estate brokerage or mortgage lending activities.  
21 One member ~~Two members~~ of the board must represent the appraisal  
22 management industry. One member of the board must represent  
23 organizations that use appraisals for the purpose of eminent  
24 domain proceedings, financial transactions, or mortgage  
25 insurance. One member ~~Two members~~ of the board must be a  
26 representative ~~shall be representatives~~ of the general public  
27 and may ~~shall~~ not be connected in any way with the practice of  
28 real estate appraisal. The appraiser members shall be as  
29 representative of the entire industry as possible, and

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30 membership in a nationally recognized or state-recognized  
31 appraisal organization may ~~shall~~ not be a prerequisite to  
32 membership on the board. To the extent possible, no more than  
33 two members of the board shall be primarily affiliated with any  
34 one particular national or state appraisal association. Two of  
35 the members must be licensed or certified residential real  
36 estate appraisers and two of the members must be certified  
37 general real estate appraisers at the time of their appointment.

38 (a) Members of the board shall be appointed for 4-year  
39 terms. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the board  
40 shall be filled by appointment by the Governor for the unexpired  
41 term. Upon expiration of her or his term, a member of the board  
42 shall continue to hold office until the appointment and  
43 qualification of the member's successor. A member may not be  
44 appointed for more than two consecutive terms. The Governor may  
45 remove any member for cause.

46 (b) The headquarters for the board shall be in Orlando.

47 (c) The board shall meet at least once each calendar  
48 quarter to conduct its business.

49 (d) The members of the board shall elect a chairperson at  
50 the first meeting each year.

51 (e) Each member of the board is entitled to per diem and  
52 travel expenses as set by legislative appropriation for each day  
53 that the member engages in the business of the board.

54 Section 2. This act shall take effect November 1, 2021.