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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Real Property – Regulation of Common Ownership Community Managers

3 FOR the purpose of creating the State Board of Common Ownership Community Managers 4 in the Maryland Department of Labor to oversee the licensing of community $\mathbf{5}$ managers who provide management services for common ownership communities; 6 requiring a common ownership community to register with the Board under certain 7 circumstances; imposing certain duties on a contracting party concerning a fidelity 8 bond or theft insurance under certain circumstances; requiring a contract to provide 9 management services to include certain provisions; making certain provisions of this 10 Act subject to the Maryland Program Evaluation Act; establishing the State Board 11 of Common Ownership Community Managers Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; 12requiring that certain interest earnings be credited to the Fund; requiring the 13 Secretary of Labor, in consultation with the Board, to calculate certain costs annually; authorizing the Department of Budget and Management to advance 14 15certain funds to the Board and requiring the Board to reimburse certain funds under 16 certain circumstances; and generally relating to the regulation of common ownership 17community managers.

18 BY renumbering

- 19 Article State Government
- 20 Section 8–403(13) through (65)
- to be Section 8–403(14) through (66), respectively
- 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 23 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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- 1 BY adding to
- 2 Article Business Occupations and Professions
- 3 Section 22–101 through 22–802 to be under the new title "Title 22. Common
 4 Ownership Community Managers"
- 5 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 6 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 7 BY adding to
- 8 Article Business Regulation
- 9 Section 2–106.17, 2–106.18, and 2–108(a)(34)
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2024 Replacement Volume)
- 12 BY adding to
- 13 Article Corporations and Associations
- 14 Section 5–6B–12.1
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 17 BY adding to
- 18 Article Real Property
- 19 Section 11–130.1 and 11B–115.2
- 20 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 21 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 23 Article State Finance and Procurement
- 24 Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)2.
- 25 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 26 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 27 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 28 Article State Finance and Procurement
- 29 Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)204. and 205.
- 30 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 31 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 32 BY adding to
- 33 Article State Finance and Procurement
- 34 Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)206.
- 35 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 36 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 37 BY adding to
- 38 Article State Government
- 39 Section 8–403(13)

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$rac{1}{2}$	Annotated Code of Maryland (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)									
$3 \\ 4 \\ 5$	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 8–403(13) through (65) of Article – State Government of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 8–403(14) through (66), respectively.									
$6 \\ 7$	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:									
8	Article – Business Occupations and Professions									
9	TITLE 22. COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS.									
10	SUBTITLE 1. DEFINITIONS; GENERAL PROVISIONS.									
11	22–101.									
12 13	(A) IN THIS TITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.									
$\begin{array}{c} 14 \\ 15 \end{array}$	(B) "BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS.									
16	(C) (1) "COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY" MEANS:									
17 18	(I) A CONDOMINIUM AS DEFINED IN § 11–101 OF THE REAL PROPERTY ARTICLE THAT IS USED FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES;									
19 20	(II) A COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION AS DEFINED IN § 5–6B–01 OF THE CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS ARTICLE; AND									
$\begin{array}{c} 21 \\ 22 \end{array}$	(III) A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AS DEFINED IN § $11B\-101$ of the Real Property Article.									
$\begin{array}{c} 23\\ 24\\ 25 \end{array}$	(2) "COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY" DOES NOT INCLUDE A TIME-SHARE PROJECT AS DEFINED IN § 11A-101 OF THE REAL PROPERTY ARTICLE.									
26 27 28 29	(D) "LICENSE" MEANS, UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES OTHERWISE, A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE BOARD UNDER SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS TITLE THAT ALLOWS AN INDIVIDUAL TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.									

1 (E) "LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER" MEANS, UNLESS THE 2 CONTEXT REQUIRES OTHERWISE, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ISSUED A LIMITED 3 LICENSE BY THE BOARD UNDER SUBTITLE 4 OF THIS TITLE TO PROVIDE 4 MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY UNDER THE 5 SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER.

6 (F) "LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER" MEANS, UNLESS THE CONTEXT 7 REQUIRES OTHERWISE, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ISSUED A LICENSE BY THE BOARD 8 UNDER SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS TITLE TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A 9 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

10 (G) "LIMITED LICENSE" MEANS, UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES 11 OTHERWISE, A LIMITED LICENSE ISSUED BY THE BOARD UNDER SUBTITLE 4 OF THIS 12 TITLE THAT ALLOWS THE INDIVIDUAL TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A 13 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED 14 COMMUNITY MANAGER.

15 (H) "PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES" MEANS:

16 (1) TO ACT WITH THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP 17 COMMUNITY IN ITS BUSINESS, LEGAL, FINANCIAL, OR OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH 18 MEMBERS AND NONMEMBERS OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

19 (2) TO EXECUTE THE RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS OF A COMMON 20 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

(3) TO ENFORCE THE RIGHTS OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP
 COMMUNITY SECURED BY STATUTE, CONTRACT, COVENANT, RULE, OR BYLAW WITH
 THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

(4) TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACTS OR OTHERWISE COORDINATE OR
ARRANGE FOR SERVICES OR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AND GOODS FOR OR ON
BEHALF OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

27 **(5)** TO COLLECT, DISBURSE, OR OTHERWISE EXERCISE DOMINION OR 28 CONTROL OVER MONEY OR OTHER PROPERTY BELONGING TO A COMMON 29 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

30(6) TO PREPARE BUDGETS, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, OR OTHER31FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

32 (7) TO ARRANGE, CONDUCT, OR COORDINATE MEETINGS OF A 33 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY OR THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COMMON 34 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY; OR

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1 (8) TO OFFER OR SOLICIT TO PERFORM ANY OF THE ACTS OR 2 SERVICES LISTED IN ITEMS (1) THROUGH (7) OF THIS SUBSECTION ON BEHALF OF A 3 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

4 (I) "RESPONSIBLE MANAGER" MEANS A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER 5 WHO HAS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO A 6 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY UNDER THE TERMS OF A CONTRACT ENTERED 7 INTO BY THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

8 **22–102.**

9 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE THAT REQUIRE AN INDIVIDUAL TO BE ISSUED 10 A LICENSE OR A LIMITED LICENSE DO NOT PROHIBIT:

11 (1) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A REGULAR, SALARIED EMPLOYEE OF A 12 LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER OR A SINGLE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY 13 FROM PERFORMING ADMINISTRATIVE, INTERNAL, BOOKKEEPING, OR MINISTERIAL 14 FUNCTIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER OR THE SINGLE 15 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

16 (2) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT STAFF OR AN 17 ASSISTANT OF A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER FROM INCIDENTALLY PROVIDING 18 MANAGEMENT SERVICES IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS SUPERVISED BY A LICENSED 19 COMMUNITY MANAGER;

20(3) A RESIDENT OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY WHO ACTS21WITHOUT COMPENSATION FROM PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THAT22COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

(4) A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP
 COMMUNITY WHO ACTS WITHOUT COMPENSATION FROM PROVIDING MANAGEMENT
 SERVICES FOR THAT COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

(5) AN ATTORNEY AT LAW FROM REPRESENTING A COMMON
OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY, A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER, OR A LICENSED
ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER IN ANY BUSINESS THAT CONSTITUTES THE
PRACTICE OF LAW;

30 (6) AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE AS A LICENSED
 31 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, A LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER, OR A
 32 LICENSED ASSOCIATE REAL ESTATE BROKER FROM PROVIDING TO A COMMON
 33 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY THE SERVICES FOR WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL IS LICENSED;

1 (7) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ACTS AS A RECEIVER OR TRUSTEE IN 2 BANKRUPTCY IN THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES OR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ACTS 3 UNDER A COURT ORDER FROM PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A COMMON 4 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY; OR

5 (8) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS AN EMPLOYEE OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP
6 COMMUNITY FROM PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES ONLY TO THAT COMMON
7 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY OR TO AN AFFILIATED COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

8 SUBTITLE 2. STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS.

9 **22–201.**

10 THERE IS A STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS
 11 IN THE DEPARTMENT.

12 **22–202.**

13 (A) (1) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF NINE MEMBERS.

14 (2) OF THE NINE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

15(I) FIVE SHALL BE LICENSED COMMON OWNERSHIP16COMMUNITY MANAGERS;

17 (II) ONE SHALL BE A LAWYER, AS DEFINED IN § 10–101 OF THIS 18 ARTICLE, WHOSE PRIMARY PRACTICE INCLUDES THE REPRESENTATION OF 19 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES; AND

20 (III) THREE SHALL BE RESIDENT OWNERS IN A COMMON 21 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

22 (3) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE MEMBERS WITH THE 23 ADVICE OF THE SECRETARY AND THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE.

24 (B) EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD MUST BE A RESIDENT OF THE STATE.

25 (C) BEFORE TAKING OFFICE, EACH APPOINTEE TO THE BOARD SHALL TAKE 26 THE OATH REQUIRED BY ARTICLE I, § 9 OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION.

27 (D) (1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 4 YEARS AND BEGINS JULY 1.

28 (2) THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY 29 THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ON OCTOBER 1, 2025 <u>2026</u>. 1 (3) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL 2 A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

3 (4) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN SERVES
 4 ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND
 5 QUALIFIES.

6 (5) A MEMBER MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE 7 TERMS.

8 (E) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ALLOCATE NOT 9 MORE THAN \$100,000 FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BOARD, INCLUDING 10 PERSONNEL EXPENSES.

11 **22–203.**

12 FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THE GOVERNOR SHALL 13 APPOINT A CHAIR AND A VICE CHAIR.

14 **22–204.**

15 (A) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS THEN SERVING ON THE BOARD IS A 16 QUORUM.

17 (B) THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE TIMES AND PLACES OF ITS 18 MEETINGS.

19 (C) A MEMBER OF THE BOARD:

20(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD;21BUT

22 (2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE 23 STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

24 (D) THE BOARD MAY EMPLOY STAFF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE 25 BUDGET.

26 **22–205.**

27 (A) IN ADDITION TO ANY POWERS SET FORTH ELSEWHERE, THE BOARD 28 MAY: 8

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1 (1) ADOPT BYLAWS AS NECESSARY TO DO THE BUSINESS OF THE 2 BOARD; AND

3 (2) ADOPT ANY REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS TITLE.

4 (B) IN ADDITION TO ANY DUTIES SET FORTH ELSEWHERE, THE BOARD 5 SHALL:

6 (1) ADOPT RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AS APPROPRIATE FOR 7 INDIVIDUALS ISSUED A LICENSE OR A LIMITED LICENSE UNDER THIS TITLE;

8 (2) ESTABLISH CRITERIA AND A PROCESS FOR CERTIFICATION OF A 9 VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS AND TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR ISSUING 10 LICENSES OR LIMITED LICENSES UNDER THIS TITLE;

(3) ESTABLISH CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN ISSUED A LICENSE OR A LIMITED LICENSE UNDER
 THIS TITLE; AND

14 (4) KEEP A RECORD OF ITS PROCEEDINGS.

15 (C) THE BOARD MAY ESTABLISH BY REGULATION:

16 (1) THE PROCESS OF RESOLVING DISCIPLINARY MATTERS PENDING 17 BEFORE THE BOARD THROUGH NONJUDICIAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESSES;

18(2) EDUCATION AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GOVERNING19BODIES OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES; AND

20 (3) ANY OTHER PROCEDURES OR STANDARDS CONSISTENT WITH THE 21 MISSION OF THE BOARD.

22 **22–206.**

(A) THE BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN A PUBLIC LIST OF THE NAMES AND
 MAILING ADDRESSES OF ALL INDIVIDUALS ISSUED A LICENSE OR A LIMITED
 LICENSE UNDER THIS TITLE.

26 (B) EACH INDIVIDUAL ISSUED A LICENSE OR A LIMITED LICENSE UNDER 27 THIS TITLE SHALL:

(1) DESIGNATE A MAILING ADDRESS AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE OF
 THE ORIGINAL LICENSE OR LIMITED LICENSE AND ON RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE OR
 LIMITED LICENSE; AND

NOTIFY THE BOARD OF A CHANGE OF ADDRESS WITHIN 30 DAYS

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AFTER THE CHANGE.

3 22 - 207.4 (A) (1) THE BOARD MAY SET BY REGULATION REASONABLE FEES FOR ITS SERVICES. 5THE FEES CHARGED SHALL BE: 6 (2) 7 **(I)** SET SO AS TO PRODUCE FUNDS TO APPROXIMATE THE COST 8 OF MAINTAINING THE BOARD: 9 (II) BASED ON THE CALCULATIONS PERFORMED BY THE SECRETARY UNDER § 2–106.18 OF THE BUSINESS REGULATION ARTICLE; AND 10 (III) CONSISTENT WITH OTHER FEES FOR COMPARABLE 11 12LICENSES ISSUED BY OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS IN THE STATE. 13 **(B)** THE BOARD SHALL PUBLISH THE FEE SCHEDULE SET BY THE BOARD. 14(C) (1) THE BOARD SHALL PAY ALL FEES COLLECTED UNDER THIS TITLE TO THE COMPTROLLER. 1516 THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE FEES TO THE STATE (2) BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS FUND ESTABLISHED 1718 UNDER § 2–106.17 OF THE BUSINESS REGULATION ARTICLE. 19 22 - 208.20THE BOARD EXERCISES ITS POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS SUBJECT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY. 212222 - 209.23IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER REMEDY AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE, (A) THE BOARD, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MAY SUE IN THE 24NAME OF THE STATE TO ENJOIN ANY ACT THAT IS PROHIBITED UNDER SUBTITLE 7 2526OF THIS TITLE. 27THE BOARD MAY TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS TO: **(B)** 28(1) ASSIST A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY IN EXERCISING ANY 29RIGHTS OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY UNDER THIS TITLE; OR

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AN INDIVIDUAL MUST BE ISSUED A LICENSE BY THE BOARD BEFORE (A) COMMUNITY MANAGER FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY IN THE STATE. **(B)** CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BY THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY. 22 - 302.WHO MEETS: (1) THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION; AND (2) THE BOARD. **(**B**)** MANAGER. (C) AN APPLICANT SHALL: (1) (2) CONCERNING COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES. **(**D**) AN APPLICANT MUST:** (1) **APPLYING FOR A LICENSE; OR** (2) HOLD AN ACTIVE PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

- (2) 1 ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AND INFORMATION-SHARING $\mathbf{2}$ AGREEMENTS WITH ANY UNIT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AS ALLOWED BY LAW.
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- SUBTITLE 3. LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGERS.
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 $\mathbf{5}$ 6 THE INDIVIDUAL MAY PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AS A LICENSED 7

8 A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER MAY PROVIDE MANAGEMENT 9 SERVICES FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY ONLY UNDER THE TERMS OF A 10

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12(A) TO QUALIFY FOR A LICENSE, AN APPLICANT MUST BE AN INDIVIDUAL 13

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15ANY OTHER QUALIFICATION AS REQUIRED BY REGULATION OF 16

17AN APPLICANT MUST BE A LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY 18

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- 20COMPLETE A TRAINING PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE BOARD; AND

21PASS AN EXAMINATION APPROVED BY THE BOARD THAT 22INCLUDES TESTING OF KNOWLEDGE OF STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS 23

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25BE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES 26FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS AS A LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER BEFORE 27

1 22 - 303. $\mathbf{2}$ AN APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE SHALL: SUBMIT TO THE BOARD AN APPLICATION ON THE FORM THAT THE 3 (1) 4 **BOARD PROVIDES; AND** (2) PAY TO THE BOARD AN APPLICATION FEE SET BY THE BOARD. $\mathbf{5}$ 6 **22–304**. 7 (A) IF AN APPLICANT QUALIFIES FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, 8 THE BOARD SHALL SEND THE APPLICANT A NOTICE THAT STATES THAT: 9 (1) THE APPLICANT HAS QUALIFIED FOR A LICENSE; AND 10 (2) ON RECEIPT OF THE LICENSE FEE SET BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD 11 WILL ISSUE A LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT. 12ON PAYMENT OF THE LICENSE FEE, THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE **(B)** TO EACH APPLICANT WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE. 13 22 - 305.14 15WHILE IN EFFECT, A LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO A COMMON OWNERSHIP 16 17COMMUNITY. 18 **22–306.** (A) THE TERM OF A LICENSE IS 2 YEARS. 19 20(B) AT LEAST 2 MONTHS BEFORE A LICENSE EXPIRES, THE BOARD SHALL 21SEND TO THE LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER, AT THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF 22THE LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER: 23(1) A RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM; AND 24(2) A NOTICE THAT STATES: 25**(I)** THE DATE ON WHICH THE CURRENT LICENSE EXPIRES;

1 (II) THE DATE BY WHICH THE BOARD MUST RECEIVE THE 2 RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL TO BE ISSUED AND MAILED BEFORE THE 3 LICENSE EXPIRES; AND

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(III) THE AMOUNT OF THE RENEWAL FEE.

5 (C) (1) THE BOARD SHALL RENEW THE LICENSE OF AND ISSUE A 6 RENEWAL CERTIFICATE TO EACH LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER WHO MEETS THE 7 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

8 (2) THE BOARD SHALL INCLUDE ON EACH RENEWAL CERTIFICATE 9 THE DATE ON WHICH THE CURRENT LICENSE EXPIRES.

10 **22–307.**

11 (A) THE BOARD SHALL REINSTATE THE LICENSE OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO 12 HAS FAILED TO RENEW THE LICENSE IF THE INDIVIDUAL:

13(1) APPLIES TO THE BOARD FOR REINSTATEMENT WITHIN 2 YEARS14AFTER THE LICENSE EXPIRES;

15 (2) MEETS THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS OF § 22–306 OF THIS 16 SUBTITLE; AND

17 (3) PAYS TO THE BOARD A REINSTATEMENT FEE SET BY THE BOARD.

18 **(B) (1)** IF AN INDIVIDUAL HAS FAILED TO RENEW A LICENSE AND THEN 19 APPLIES TO THE BOARD FOR REINSTATEMENT MORE THAN 2 YEARS AFTER THE 20 LICENSE HAS EXPIRED, THE BOARD:

(I) MAY REQUIRE THE INDIVIDUAL TO REAPPLY FOR A LICENSE
 IN THE SAME MANNER AS AN APPLICANT APPLIES FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS
 SUBTITLE; OR

24 (II) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, MAY 25 REINSTATE THE LICENSE.

26(2)THE BOARD MAY REINSTATE A LICENSE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)27OF THIS SUBSECTION ONLY IF THE INDIVIDUAL:

28 (I) MEETS THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS OF § 22–306 OF THIS 29 SUBTITLE;

1(II) IF REQUIRED BY THE BOARD, STATES REASONS WHY2REINSTATEMENT SHOULD BE GRANTED; AND

3 (III) PAYS TO THE BOARD A REINSTATEMENT FEE SET BY THE 4 BOARD.

5 **22–308.**

6 (A) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD MAY ISSUE 7 BY RECIPROCITY A LICENSE TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS THE EQUIVALENT LICENSE 8 IN ANOTHER STATE OR TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES.

9 (B) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION ONLY IF THE 10 APPLICANT:

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(1) PAYS TO THE BOARD A LICENSE FEE SET BY THE BOARD; AND

12 (2) PROVIDES ADEQUATE EVIDENCE THAT AT THE TIME OF 13 APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE UNDER THIS SECTION THE APPLICANT HAS MET 14 REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO THE REQUIREMENTS 15 OF THE STATE.

16 (C) THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A 17 LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION.

18 **22–309.**

19 (A) SUBJECT TO THE HEARING PROVISIONS OF § 22–311 OF THIS SUBTITLE, 20 THE BOARD MAY DENY A LICENSE TO ANY APPLICANT, REPRIMAND ANY LICENSED 21 COMMUNITY MANAGER, OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE A LICENSE IF THE APPLICANT OR 22 LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER:

(1) FRAUDULENTLY OR DECEPTIVELY OBTAINS OR ATTEMPTS TO
 OBTAIN A LICENSE FOR THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER OR
 FOR ANOTHER;

26 (2) FRAUDULENTLY OR DECEPTIVELY USES A LICENSE;

27 (3) UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR OF ANY STATE, IS 28 CONVICTED OF:

29 (I) A FELONY; OR

1(II) A MISDEMEANOR THAT IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE2FITNESS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED COMMUNITY3MANAGER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES;

4 (4) ENGAGES IN CONDUCT THAT DEMONSTRATES BAD FAITH, 5 INCOMPETENCY, OR UNTRUSTWORTHINESS OR THAT CONSTITUTES DISHONEST, 6 FRAUDULENT, OR IMPROPER DEALINGS;

7 (5) FAILS TO HANDLE THE FUNDS OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP 8 COMMUNITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE;

9 (6) FAILS TO ACCOUNT IN A TIMELY MANNER FOR ALL MONEY AND 10 PROPERTY RECEIVED ON BEHALF OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

11 **(7)** WILLFULLY FAILS TO DISCLOSE TO A COMMON OWNERSHIP 12 COMMUNITY MATERIAL FACTS THAT RELATE TO THE PROPERTY OF THE COMMON 13 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY OR CONCERN MANAGEMENT SERVICES OF WHICH THE 14 LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER HAS ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE;

15 (8) IS GUILTY OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE, INCOMPETENCE THAT IS 16 PROVEN TO HAVE BEEN DETRIMENTAL TO A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY, OR 17 MISCONDUCT IN PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES;

18 **(9)** HAS BEEN SANCTIONED IN ANOTHER STATE IN A MATTER 19 RELATING TO PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES;

20 (10) VIOLATES ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS TITLE; OR

21 (11) VIOLATES ANY REGULATION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD UNDER 22 THIS TITLE.

(B) (1) INSTEAD OF OR IN ADDITION TO REPRIMANDING THE LICENSED
 COMMUNITY MANAGER OR SUSPENDING OR REVOKING A LICENSE UNDER THIS
 SECTION, THE BOARD MAY IMPOSE A PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 FOR EACH
 VIOLATION.

27(2)TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF THE PENALTY IMPOSED UNDER28THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER:

- 29 (I) THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION;
- 30 (II) THE HARM CAUSED BY THE VIOLATION;

1 (III) THE GOOD FAITH OF THE LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER; $\mathbf{2}$ AND 3 (IV) ANY HISTORY OF PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS BY THE LICENSED 4 COMMUNITY MANAGER. $\mathbf{5}$ THE BOARD SHALL PAY ANY PENALTY COLLECTED UNDER THIS (3) SUBSECTION INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE. 6 7 THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING FACTS IN THE **(C)** 8 GRANTING, DENIAL, RENEWAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION OF A LICENSE OR THE REPRIMAND OF A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER WHEN AN APPLICANT OR A 9 10 LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER IS CONVICTED OF A FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A)(3) OF THIS SECTION: 11 12(1) THE NATURE OF THE CRIME; 13 (2) THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE CRIME TO THE ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED BY THE LICENSE; 1415(3) WITH RESPECT TO A FELONY, THE RELEVANCE OF THE 16CONVICTION TO THE FITNESS AND QUALIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES; 1718 (4) THE LENGTH OF TIME SINCE THE CONVICTION; AND 19 THE BEHAVIOR AND ACTIVITIES OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED (5) 20COMMUNITY MANAGER BEFORE AND AFTER THE CONVICTION. 2122-310. 22ON ITS OWN INITIATIVE OR ON A WRITTEN COMPLAINT MADE TO THE BOARD 23BY ANY PERSON, THE BOARD MAY COMMENCE PROCEEDINGS UNDER § 22-311 OF THIS SUBTITLE. 242522 - 311.26EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN § 10-226 OF THE STATE (A) GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, BEFORE THE BOARD TAKES ANY FINAL ACTION UNDER § 2722-309 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE BOARD SHALL GIVE THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST 28WHOM THE ACTION IS CONTEMPLATED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE 29THE BOARD. 30

1 (B) THE BOARD SHALL GIVE NOTICE AND HOLD THE HEARING IN 2 ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

3 (C) THE BOARD MAY ADMINISTER OATHS IN CONNECTION WITH ANY 4 PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION.

5 (D) (1) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A SUBPOENA FOR THE ATTENDANCE OF A 6 WITNESS TO TESTIFY OR THE PRODUCTION OF EVIDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH ANY 7 PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION.

8 (2) IF A PERSON FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA ISSUED UNDER 9 THIS SUBSECTION, ON PETITION OF THE BOARD, A CIRCUIT COURT MAY COMPEL 10 COMPLIANCE WITH THE SUBPOENA.

11 (E) IF, AFTER DUE NOTICE, THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM THE ACTION IS 12 CONTEMPLATED FAILS OR REFUSES TO APPEAR, THE BOARD MAY HEAR AND 13 DETERMINE THE MATTER.

14 **22–312.**

ANY PERSON AGGRIEVED BY A FINAL DECISION OF THE BOARD IN A CONTESTED CASE, AS DEFINED IN § 10–202 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, IS ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW AS PROVIDED IN §§ 10–222 AND 10–223 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

19 **22–313.**

THE BOARD MAY REINSTATE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD:

22 (1) A LICENSE THAT HAS BEEN REVOKED; OR

23(2)BEFORE FULFILLMENT OF THE CONDITIONS OF THE SUSPENSION,24ANY LICENSE THAT HAS BEEN SUSPENDED.

- 25 SUBTITLE 4. LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGERS.
- 26 **22–401.**

(A) AN INDIVIDUAL MUST BE ISSUED A LIMITED LICENSE BY THE BOARD
 BEFORE THE INDIVIDUAL MAY PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AS A LICENSED
 ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY IN THE
 STATE.

1(B) A LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER MAY PROVIDE2MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY ONLY WHILE3UNDER THE GENERAL SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER.

4 **22–402.**

5 (A) TO QUALIFY FOR A LIMITED LICENSE, AN APPLICANT MUST BE AN 6 INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS:

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(1) THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION; AND

8 (2) ANY OTHER QUALIFICATION REQUIRED BY REGULATION OF THE 9 BOARD.

10 (B) AN APPLICANT MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OLD.

- 11 (C) AN APPLICANT SHALL:
- 12 (1) COMPLETE A TRAINING PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE BOARD; AND
- 13 (2) PASS AN EXAMINATION APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

14 **22–403.**

15 **AN APPLICANT FOR A LIMITED LICENSE SHALL:**

16 (1) SUBMIT TO THE BOARD AN APPLICATION ON THE FORM THAT THE 17 BOARD PROVIDES; AND

- 18 (2) PAY TO THE BOARD AN APPLICATION FEE SET BY THE BOARD.
- 19 **22–404.**

20 (A) IF AN APPLICANT QUALIFIES FOR A LIMITED LICENSE UNDER THIS 21 SUBTITLE, THE BOARD SHALL SEND THE APPLICANT A NOTICE THAT STATES THAT:

22 (1) THE APPLICANT HAS QUALIFIED FOR A LIMITED LICENSE; AND

23 (2) ON RECEIPT OF THE LIMITED LICENSE FEE SET BY THE BOARD,
 24 THE BOARD WILL ISSUE A LIMITED LICENSE IN THE NAME OF THE APPLICANT.

25 (B) ON PAYMENT OF THE LIMITED LICENSE FEE, THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE 26 A LIMITED LICENSE IN THE NAME OF EACH APPLICANT WHO MEETS THE 27 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE. 1 (C) THE BOARD SHALL DELIVER A LIMITED LICENSE ISSUED BY THE BOARD 2 TO THE LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER WHO WILL BE SUPERVISING THE 3 LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER, AT THE ADDRESS OF THE LICENSED 4 COMMUNITY MANAGER THAT IS INDICATED IN THE APPLICATION FOR A LIMITED 5 LICENSE.

6 **22–405.**

7 WHILE IN EFFECT, A LIMITED LICENSE AUTHORIZES THE LICENSED 8 ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A 9 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY ONLY WHILE UNDER THE GENERAL SUPERVISION 10 OF A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER.

11 **22–406.**

12 (A) THE TERM OF A LIMITED LICENSE IS 2 YEARS.

13 **(B)** AT LEAST 2 MONTHS BEFORE A LIMITED LICENSE EXPIRES, THE BOARD 14 SHALL SEND TO THE LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER, AT THE LAST 15 KNOWN ADDRESS OF THE LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER:

- 16 (1) A RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM; AND
- 17 (2) A NOTICE THAT STATES:

18(I) THE DATE ON WHICH THE CURRENT LIMITED LICENSE19 EXPIRES;

20 (II) THE DATE BY WHICH THE BOARD MUST RECEIVE THE 21 RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL TO BE ISSUED AND MAILED BEFORE THE 22 LIMITED LICENSE EXPIRES; AND

23

(III) THE AMOUNT OF THE RENEWAL FEE.

(c) (1) THE BOARD SHALL RENEW THE LIMITED LICENSE OF AND ISSUE
A RENEWAL CERTIFICATE TO EACH LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER
WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

27(2)THE BOARD SHALL INCLUDE ON EACH RENEWAL CERTIFICATE28THE DATE ON WHICH THE CURRENT LIMITED LICENSE EXPIRES.

29 **22–407.**

(A) THE BOARD SHALL REINSTATE THE LIMITED LICENSE OF AN 1 $\mathbf{2}$ INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS FAILED TO RENEW THE LIMITED LICENSE IF THE INDIVIDUAL: 3 (1) APPLIES TO THE BOARD FOR REINSTATEMENT WITHIN 2 YEARS 4 AFTER THE LIMITED LICENSE EXPIRES; $\mathbf{5}$ MEETS THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS OF § 22-406 OF THIS (2) 6 SUBTITLE; AND 7 PAYS TO THE BOARD A REINSTATEMENT FEE SET BY THE BOARD. (3) 8 **(B)** (1) IF AN INDIVIDUAL HAS FAILED TO RENEW A LIMITED LICENSE AND 9 THEN APPLIES TO THE BOARD FOR REINSTATEMENT MORE THAN 2 YEARS AFTER 10 THE LIMITED LICENSE HAS EXPIRED, THE BOARD: 11 **(I)** MAY REQUIRE THE INDIVIDUAL TO REAPPLY FOR A LIMITED 12LICENSE IN THE SAME MANNER AS AN APPLICANT APPLIES FOR AN ORIGINAL 13 LIMITED LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; OR 14**(II)** SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, MAY **REINSTATE THE LIMITED LICENSE.** 1516 (2) THE BOARD MAY REINSTATE A LIMITED LICENSE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION ONLY IF THE INDIVIDUAL: 1718 **MEETS THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS OF § 22–406 OF THIS (I)** SUBTITLE; 19 (II) IF REQUIRED BY THE BOARD, STATES REASONS WHY 20**REINSTATEMENT SHOULD BE GRANTED; AND** 2122(III) PAYS TO THE BOARD A REINSTATEMENT FEE SET BY THE 23BOARD. 2422 - 408.25(A) SUBJECT TO THE HEARING PROVISIONS OF § 22-410 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE BOARD MAY DENY A LIMITED LICENSE TO ANY APPLICANT, REPRIMAND ANY 26LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER, OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE A LIMITED 27LICENSE IF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER: 2829(1) FRAUDULENTLY OR DECEPTIVELY OBTAINS OR ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN A LIMITED LICENSE FOR THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED ASSOCIATE 30

31 COMMUNITY MANAGER OR FOR ANOTHER;

(2) 1 FRAUDULENTLY OR DECEPTIVELY USES A LIMITED LICENSE; $\mathbf{2}$ UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR OF ANY STATE, IS (3) 3 **CONVICTED OF: (I)** 4 A FELONY; OR $\mathbf{5}$ A MISDEMEANOR THAT IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE **(II)** 6 FITNESS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED ASSOCIATE 7 COMMUNITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES; 8 (4) ENGAGES IN CONDUCT THAT DEMONSTRATES BAD FAITH, INCOMPETENCY, OR UNTRUSTWORTHINESS OR THAT CONSTITUTES DISHONEST, 9 10 FRAUDULENT, OR IMPROPER DEALINGS; 11 FAILS TO HANDLE THE FUNDS OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP (5) 12COMMUNITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE; 13(6) FAILS TO ACCOUNT IN A TIMELY MANNER FOR ALL MONEY AND 14 **PROPERTY RECEIVED ON BEHALF OF A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;** 15(7) WILLFULLY FAILS TO DISCLOSE TO A COMMON OWNERSHIP 16 COMMUNITY MATERIAL FACTS THAT RELATE TO THE PROPERTY OF THE COMMON 17OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY OR CONCERN MANAGEMENT SERVICES OF WHICH THE 18 LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER HAS ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE; 19(8) IS GUILTY OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE, INCOMPETENCE THAT IS 20PROVEN TO HAVE BEEN DETRIMENTAL TO A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY, OR 21**MISCONDUCT IN PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES;** 22(9) HAS BEEN SANCTIONED IN ANOTHER STATE IN A MATTER 23**RELATING TO PROVIDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES;** (10) VIOLATES ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS TITLE; OR 2425(11) VIOLATES ANY REGULATION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD UNDER 26THIS TITLE. 27**(B)** (1) **INSTEAD OF OR IN ADDITION TO REPRIMANDING THE LICENSED** ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER OR SUSPENDING OR REVOKING A LIMITED 2829LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION, THE BOARD MAY IMPOSE A PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION. 30

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1 (2) TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF THE PENALTY IMPOSED UNDER 2 THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER:

- 3
- (I) THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION;
- 4

(II) THE HARM CAUSED BY THE VIOLATION;

5 (III) THE GOOD FAITH OF THE LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY
6 MANAGER; AND

7 (IV) ANY HISTORY OF PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS BY THE LICENSED
8 ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER.

9 (3) THE BOARD SHALL PAY ANY PENALTY COLLECTED UNDER THIS 10 SUBSECTION INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.

11 (C) THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING FACTS IN THE 12 GRANTING, DENIAL, RENEWAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION OF A LIMITED 13 LICENSE OR THE REPRIMAND OF A LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER 14 WHEN AN APPLICANT OR A LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER IS 15 CONVICTED OF A FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A)(3) OF 16 THIS SECTION:

- 17
- (1) THE NATURE OF THE CRIME;

18 **(2)** THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE CRIME TO THE ACTIVITIES 19 AUTHORIZED BY THE LIMITED LICENSE;

20(3) WITH RESPECT TO A FELONY, THE RELEVANCE OF THE21CONVICTION TO THE FITNESS AND QUALIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED22ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES;

- 23
- (4) THE LENGTH OF TIME SINCE THE CONVICTION; AND

24(5) THE BEHAVIOR AND ACTIVITIES OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSED25ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER BEFORE AND AFTER THE CONVICTION.

26 **22–409.**

ON ITS OWN INITIATIVE OR ON A WRITTEN COMPLAINT MADE TO THE BOARD BY ANY PERSON, THE BOARD MAY COMMENCE PROCEEDINGS UNDER § 22–410 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

30 **22–410.**

1 (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN § 10–226 OF THE STATE 2 GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, BEFORE THE BOARD TAKES ANY FINAL ACTION UNDER § 3 22–408 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE BOARD SHALL GIVE THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST 4 WHOM THE ACTION IS CONTEMPLATED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE 5 THE BOARD.

6 (B) THE BOARD SHALL GIVE NOTICE AND HOLD THE HEARING IN 7 ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

8 (C) THE BOARD MAY ADMINISTER OATHS IN CONNECTION WITH ANY 9 PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION.

10 **(D) (1)** THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A SUBPOENA FOR THE ATTENDANCE OF A 11 WITNESS TO TESTIFY OR THE PRODUCTION OF EVIDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH ANY 12 PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION.

13 (2) IF A PERSON FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA ISSUED UNDER
 14 THIS SUBSECTION, ON PETITION OF THE BOARD, A CIRCUIT COURT MAY COMPEL
 15 COMPLIANCE WITH THE SUBPOENA.

16 (E) IF, AFTER DUE NOTICE, THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM THE ACTION IS 17 CONTEMPLATED FAILS OR REFUSES TO APPEAR, THE BOARD MAY HEAR AND 18 DETERMINE THE MATTER.

19 **22–411.**

ANY PERSON AGGRIEVED BY A FINAL DECISION OF THE BOARD IN A CONTESTED CASE, AS DEFINED IN § 10–202 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, IS ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW AS PROVIDED IN §§ 10–222 AND 10–223 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

24 **22–412.**

THE BOARD MAY REINSTATE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD:

27 (1) A LIMITED LICENSE THAT HAS BEEN REVOKED; OR

28 (2) BEFORE FULFILLMENT OF THE CONDITIONS OF THE SUSPENSION,
 29 ANY LIMITED LICENSE THAT HAS BEEN SUSPENDED.

30 SUBTITLE 5. REGISTRATION OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES.

1 **22–501.**

2 (A) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 EACH YEAR, A COMMON OWNERSHIP 3 COMMUNITY SHALL REGISTER WITH THE BOARD.

4 (B) IF A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY CONTRACTS FOR MANAGEMENT 5 SERVICES, THE RESPONSIBLE MANAGER SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE 6 REGISTRATION OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

7 **22–502.**

8 EACH COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY SHALL PROVIDE THE BOARD THE 9 FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

10 (1) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP 11 COMMUNITY;

12(2)THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY IS13LOCATED;

14(3) THE NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF EACH OFFICER AND15MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR GOVERNING BODY OF THE COMMON16OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY;

17(4) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE LICENSED COMMUNITY18MANAGER, IF ANY, FOR THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY; AND

- 19 (5) ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE BOARD.
- 20 SUBTITLE 6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

21 **22–601.**

22 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "CONTRACTING PARTY" MEANS A LICENSED 23 COMMUNITY MANAGER OR A PERSON UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A LICENSED 24 COMMUNITY MANAGER THAT CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 25 A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

(B) A CONTRACTING PARTY SHALL FILE WITH THE SECRETARY PROOF AS
REQUIRED BY THE BOARD OF A FIDELITY BOND OR THEFT INSURANCE, OR OTHER
COMPARABLE WRITTEN INSURANCE AS REQUIRED BY THE BOARD, THAT COVERS:

29(1) ANY PERSON THAT PROVIDES MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A30COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY UNDER THE TERMS OF A CONTRACT; AND

(2) 1 ANY INDIVIDUAL WORKING UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A PERSON $\mathbf{2}$ DESCRIBED IN ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION. 3 **(C)** (1) A FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE FOR WHICH PROOF IS FILED 4 UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE COVERAGE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE **LESSER OF:** 56 **(I)** \$2,000,000; OR 7 THE HIGHEST AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF THE OPERATING (II) 8 AND RESERVE BALANCES OF ALL COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES UNDER 9 CONTRACT WITH THE CONTRACTING PARTY IN THE PRIOR 3 MONTHS. THE TOTAL LIABILITY OF THE INSURANCE TO ALL INSURED 10 (2) 11 PERSONS UNDER A FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE MAY NOT EXCEED THE SUM OF 12THE FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE. 13THE SECRETARY, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE, SHALL BE (3) 14NAMED AS A CERTIFICATE HOLDER FOR ANY FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE **REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION.** 1516 IF THE FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE IS CANCELED, FORFEITED, OR **(D)** TERMINATED, THE CONTRACTING PARTY IMMEDIATELY SHALL NOTIFY THE 1718 SECRETARY. 19 IF THE FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE IS CANCELED, FORFEITED, OR **(E)** 20TERMINATED, OR THE CONTRACTING PARTY FAILS TO NOTIFY THE SECRETARY OF 21ANY CHANGE TO THE FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE, THE SECRETARY: 22(1) SHALL SUSPEND ANY LICENSE OF ANY INDIVIDUAL PROVIDING 23MANAGEMENT SERVICES COVERED BY THE FIDELITY BOND OR INSURANCE; AND 24MAY NOT REINSTATE A LICENSE UNTIL PROOF OF COMPLIANCE (2) WITH THIS SECTION IS PROVIDED TO THE SECRETARY. 252622-602. A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER SHALL DEPOSIT ALL MONEY 27(A) RECEIVED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROVISION OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN 2829ONE OR MORE OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION ACCOUNTS OF A COMMON 30 **OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.**

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1 (B) A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER WHO PROVIDES MANAGEMENT 2 SERVICES FOR MORE THAN ONE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY SHALL 3 MAINTAIN SEPARATE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION ACCOUNTS FOR EACH COMMON 4 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

5 (C) THE FUNDS IN EACH FINANCIAL INSTITUTION ACCOUNT OF A COMMON 6 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MAY NOT BE COMMINGLED WITH THE FUNDS OF THE 7 LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER OR ANOTHER COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

8 (D) THE MAINTENANCE OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION ACCOUNTS BY A 9 LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER SHALL BE CUSTODIAL AND PROVIDED IN THE 10 NAME OF THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

11 (E) THE RECORDS OF EACH FINANCIAL INSTITUTION ACCOUNT OF A 12 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY SHALL BE ACCESSIBLE FOR REVIEW DIRECTLY 13 FROM THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COMMON 14 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

15 (F) A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES ANY 16 PROVISION OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS 17 SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING **\$25,000** OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING **5** 18 YEARS OR BOTH.

19 **22–603.**

IF A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY CONTRACTS WITH A PERSON OTHER THAN A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES, THE CONTRACT SHALL REQUIRE THAT ONLY A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER PROVIDE THE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY.

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SUBTITLE 7. PROHIBITED ACTS; PENALTIES.

25 **22–701.**

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT PROVIDE, ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE, OR OFFER TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY IN THE STATE UNLESS ISSUED A LICENSE OR A LIMITED LICENSE BY THE BOARD.

30 **22–702.**

UNLESS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT
 SERVICES TO A COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY, A PERSON MAY NOT REPRESENT
 TO THE PUBLIC BY USE OF A TITLE, INCLUDING "LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER",

1 "LICENSED ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY MANAGER", OR "COMMON OWNERSHIP 2 COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT", BY USE OF AN ABBREVIATION, BY DESCRIPTION OF 3 SERVICES, METHODS, OR PROCEDURES, OR OTHERWISE THAT THE PERSON IS 4 AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A COMMON OWNERSHIP 5 COMMUNITY IN THE STATE.

- 6 **22–703.**
- 7 AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT:

8 (1) USE OR ATTEMPT TO USE THE LICENSE OR LIMITED LICENSE OF 9 ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL; OR

10(2)IMPERSONATE ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO HOLDS A LICENSE OR11A LIMITED LICENSE.

12 **22–704.**

13AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT GIVE FALSE INFORMATION TO THE BOARD IN AN14ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN A LICENSE OR A LIMITED LICENSE.

15 **22–705.**

AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE LICENSE OR LIMITED LICENSE HAS BEEN SUSPENDED
 OR REVOKED UNDER THIS TITLE MAY NOT PROVIDE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A
 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY IN ANY MANNER AS:

19(1) AN ASSOCIATE, AN AGENT, AN EMPLOYEE, OR ANY OTHER20SUBORDINATE OF A LICENSED COMMUNITY MANAGER; OR

(2) A PRINCIPAL, AN ASSOCIATE, AN AGENT, AN EMPLOYEE, OR ANY
 OTHER SUBORDINATE OF A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR LIMITED LIABILITY
 COMPANY THAT PROVIDES MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

24 **22–706.**

25 (A) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS TITLE IS 26 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT 27 EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 3 YEARS OR BOTH.

28 (B) (1) THE BOARD MAY IMPOSE ON A PERSON THAT VIOLATES ANY 29 PROVISION OF THIS TITLE A PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION.

1 (2) IN SETTING THE AMOUNT OF THE PENALTY, THE BOARD SHALL $\mathbf{2}$ **CONSIDER:** 3 **(I)** THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION; 4 **(II)** THE HARM CAUSED BY THE VIOLATION; (III) THE GOOD FAITH OF THE VIOLATOR; $\mathbf{5}$ 6 (IV) ANY HISTORY OF PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS BY THE VIOLATOR; 7 AND 8 **(V)** ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS. 9 THE BOARD SHALL PAY ANY PENALTY COLLECTED UNDER THIS **(C)** SECTION INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE. 10 11 SUBTITLE 8. SHORT TITLE; TERMINATION OF TITLE. 22-801. 1213 THIS TITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE MARYLAND COMMON OWNERSHIP **COMMUNITY MANAGERS ACT.** 14 22 - 802.15SUBJECT TO THE EVALUATION AND REESTABLISHMENT PROVISIONS OF THE 16 MARYLAND PROGRAM EVALUATION ACT, THIS TITLE AND ALL REGULATIONS 17ADOPTED UNDER THIS TITLE SHALL TERMINATE AND BE OF NO EFFECT AFTER JULY 18 19 1, 2030 2031. 20**Article – Business Regulation** 212 - 106.17. 22(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS 23INDICATED. 24(2) "BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP **COMMUNITY MANAGERS.** 2526(3) "FUND" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP **COMMUNITY MANAGERS FUND.** 27

1 (B) THERE IS A STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY 2 MANAGERS FUND IN THE DEPARTMENT.

3 (C) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO COVER THE ACTUAL DOCUMENTED
 4 DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF FULFILLING THE STATUTORY AND REGULATORY
 5 DUTIES OF THE BOARD.

6 (D) THE SECRETARY OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE SHALL ADMINISTER 7 THE FUND.

8 (E) (1) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT 9 SUBJECT TO § 7–302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

10 (2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY, 11 AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.

12 (F) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:

13(1)FEES COLLECTED BY THE BOARD AND DISTRIBUTED TO THE14FUND UNDER § 22-207 OF THE BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS15ARTICLE;

- 16 (2) INTEREST EARNINGS OF THE FUND;
- 17 (3) MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO THE FUND; AND

18 (4) ANY OTHER MONEY FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE ACCEPTED FOR 19 THE BENEFIT OF THE FUND.

20 (G) THE FUND MAY BE USED ONLY TO COVER THE ACTUAL DOCUMENTED
21 DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF FULFILLING THE STATUTORY AND REGULATORY
22 DUTIES OF THE BOARD.

23(H)(1)THE STATE TREASURER SHALL INVEST THE MONEY OF THE FUND24IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER STATE MONEY MAY BE INVESTED.

25 (2) ANY INTEREST EARNINGS OF THE FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO 26 THE FUND.

27 (I) EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND MAY BE MADE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE 28 WITH THE STATE BUDGET. 1 (J) THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR SHALL AUDIT THE ACCOUNTS AND 2 TRANSACTIONS OF THE FUND, AS PROVIDED IN § 2–1220 OF THE STATE 3 GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

4 **2–106.18**.

5 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON 6 OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS.

7 (B) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARD, THE SECRETARY SHALL 8 CALCULATE ANNUALLY THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE 9 BOARD.

10 (C) THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH FEES BASED ON THE CALCULATIONS 11 PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARY UNDER THIS SECTION.

12 (D) EACH FEE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD MAY NOT BE INCREASED 13 ANNUALLY BY MORE THAN 12.5% OF THE EXISTING AND CORRESPONDING FEE OF 14 THE BOARD.

15 2–108.

16 (a) The following units are in the Department:

17 (34) THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY 18 MANAGERS.

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Article – Corporations and Associations

20 **5–6B–12.1.**

A COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION SHALL REGISTER ANNUALLY WITH THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS IN THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AS REQUIRED UNDER TITLE 22, SUBTITLE 5 OF THE BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS ARTICLE.

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Article – Real Property

26 **11–130.1.**

A CONDOMINIUM THAT IS USED FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES SHALL REGISTER ANNUALLY WITH THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS IN THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AS REQUIRED UNDER TITLE 22, SUBTITLE 5 OF THE BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS ARTICLE.

1 11B-115.2.

A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION SHALL REGISTER ANNUALLY WITH THE STATE BOARD OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS IN THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AS REQUIRED UNDER TITLE 22, SUBTITLE 5 OF THE BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS ARTICLE.

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Article - State Finance and Procurement

 $7 \quad 6-226.$

8 (2)2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and unless (a) (i) 9 inconsistent with a federal law, grant agreement, or other federal requirement or with the 10 terms of a gift or settlement agreement, net interest on all State money allocated by the State Treasurer under this section to special funds or accounts, and otherwise entitled to 11 12receive interest earnings, as accounted for by the Comptroller, shall accrue to the General 13Fund of the State.

$\begin{array}{c} 14 \\ 15 \end{array}$	(ii) to the following funds:	The p	orovisio	ons of subp	paragraph	(i) of	this paragraj	ph do not apply
$\begin{array}{c} 16 \\ 17 \end{array}$	[and]	204.	the V	fictims of	Domestic	Viole	ence Progran	n Grant Fund;
18		205.	the P	roposed P	rograms C	ollab	orative Gran	t Fund ; AND
19 20	COMMUNITY MANAGE		THE ND.	STATE	BOARD	OF	COMMON	OWNERSHIP
21		A	rticle	– State C	lovernme	nt		
22	8–403.							
23	This subtitle applies only to the following governmental activities and units:							
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26 27 28	SECTION 3. ANI members of the State Bo follows:							
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- 29 (1) three members in $\frac{2028}{2029}$;
- 30 (2) three members in $\frac{2029}{2030}$; and

1	(3)	three	three members in <u>2030</u> <u>2031</u> .							
$2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5$	SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Board of Common Ownership Community Managers, when adopting regulations concerning the training and examination requirements for an applicant for a license or a limited license under this Act, may take into consideration the following training and examination standards:									
6	(1)	for a	or a limited license:							
7		(i)	cours	es that include topics such as:						
$\frac{8}{9}$	community gover	1. the responsibilities of managers and members of overning bodies;								
10			2.	management ethics;						
11			3.	community rules;						
12			4. community meetings and other communications;							
13			5.	assessments collections;						
14			6.	financial management;						
15			7.	risk management;						
16			8.	facilities management; and						
17			9.	personnel management; and						
18		(ii)	exam	inations that may be in a classroom or online; and						
19	(2)	for a	license	:						
20		(i)	cours	es that include topics such as:						
21			1.	high–rise maintenance and management;						
22			2.	advanced insurance and risk management;						
23			3.	management of large-scale communities;						
24			4.	legal considerations in community management; and						
25			5.	contemporary issues in community management; and						

1 (ii) examinations that include a case study of an existing common 2 ownership community.

3 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

4 (a) Until the time that the State Board of Common Ownership Community 5 Managers adopts regulations concerning the training and examination requirements for an 6 applicant for a license or a limited license under this Act, passing an examination that 7 meets the requirements listed in subsection (b) of this section shall be deemed adequate for 8 satisfying the requirements of § 22–302(c) or § 22–402(c) of the Business Occupations and 9 Professions Article, as enacted by Section 2 of this Act.

10 (b) The examination specified under subsection (a) of this section shall be:

11 (1) a nationally prepared and administered standardized examination for 12 the community association management profession; and

13 (2) developed according to the basic principles of professional testing 14 standards that utilize psychometric measurement.

15 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Board of Common 16 Ownership Community Managers shall grant a waiver of the training and examination 17 requirements for a license issued under § 22–304 or a limited license issued under § 18 22–404 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article, as enacted by Section 2 of this 19 Act, to any applicant who presents to the Board not later than October 1, <u>2027</u> 2028, 20 satisfactory evidence that the applicant provided management services in the State for the 21 2 years immediately before the date of application.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 23 2025 2026, the Maryland Department of Labor shall report to the General Assembly, in 24 accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on the imposition of a 25 registration fee on common ownership communities, including the necessity for and amount 26 of a registration fee on common ownership communities in relation to the license fees and 27 limited license fees required under this Act and the size of a common ownership community 28 to which a registration fee would apply.

29SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Budget and Management, by budget amendment, may advance sufficient funds to the State Board 30 31of Common Ownership Community Managers to allow the Board to commence operations 32on October 1, 2025 2026, so that the functions of issuing licenses and limited licenses and 33 registering common ownership communities can be in place before October 1, 2026 2027. 34The Board shall reimburse any funds that have been advanced after the license fees and 35 limited license fees have been received and deposited into the State Board of Common 36 **Ownership Community Managers Fund.**

37 SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 38 October 1, 2025.