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AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE

**NEW MEXICO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
SUSPENSION OF SUBMISSION OF FINGERPRINTS
DURING THE COVID-19
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
FOR LICENSE RENEWALS ONLY**

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Due to the public health emergency declared by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham in Executive Order 2020-004, and to the potential lack of access to businesses and other public safety locations for fingerprinting required by NMSA 1978, Section 61-29-4.4, the New Mexico Real Estate Commission (Commission) implemented procedures through the Regulation and Licensing Department, Boards and Commissions staff.

Licensees have been permitted to submit written requests for temporary suspension of the statutorily required submission of fingerprint cards to be granted only on a case-by-case basis by the Commission. Criteria specific to the COVID-19 public health emergency has been considered.

Effective July 1, 2020, licensees will no longer be statutorily required to submit fingerprint cards with a license renewal application.

However, licensees who received approval for suspension of fingerprint submission and/or who have a license expiration date before July 1, 2020 are still required to submit fingerprint cards. After the public health emergency is lifted, Boards and Commissions staff will send out a notice to licensees who received approval for suspension of fingerprint submission, stating that the licensee has sixty (60) days from the date the emergency is lifted, to submit their fingerprints to the Commission or be subject to disciplinary action.

For initial (first time) applicants, the requirement to submit fingerprints pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 61-29-4.4 will **NOT** be suspended during the public health emergency. The Boards and Commissions staff will work with the Department of Public Safety and other public and private agencies to communicate with applicants regarding where fingerprinting may still be available. Initial applicants must follow the procedures in the Boards and Commissions public notice regarding COVID-19 dated March 16, 2020. The public notice is located at the following Internet link:

http://www.rld.state.nm.us/uploads/files/BCD/BCD%203_16_2020%20COVID-19%20Public%20Announcement.pdf

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