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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1794

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONTINUING  
EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE LICENSEES; TO  
CREATE CONTINUING EDUCATION EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN  
REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONTINUING  
EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE  
LICENSEES; AND TO CREATE CONTINUING  
EDUCATION EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN REAL  
ESTATE BROKER LICENSEES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-42-307(c), concerning the expiration and renewal of a real estate license, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) ~~To~~ Except as provided under subdivision (c)(3) of this section, to renew or reactivate a license, a licensee shall complete the number of classroom hours of continuing education or the distance education equivalent of continuing education required by the commission for each inactive year not to exceed a total of thirty (30) classroom hours.

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (c)(1) of this section, a person is not subject to the education requirements of this section while the person's license is inactive.

(3)(A) ~~The commission~~ In addition to the continuing education exemptions under subdivision (c)(3)(B) of this section, the Executive Director of the Arkansas Real Estate Commission may waive all or part of the



requirements of subdivision (c)(1) of this section:

(i) ~~if~~ If a licensee is unable to complete the continuing education due to extenuating circumstances;

(ii) On the basis of health-related concerns or restrictions of the licensee; or

(iii) In recognition of a licensee's achievements, including without limitation achievements relating to the real estate industry or legislative service.

(B)(i) A salesperson licensee or an associate broker licensee may submit a written application to the commission for exemption from the requirements of subdivision (c)(1) of this section with satisfactory proof that, in the calendar year immediately preceding the renewal or reactivation of a salesperson license or an associate broker license, the salesperson licensee or the associate broker licensee:

(a) Is seventy-two (72) years of age or older;

(b) Has held an active Arkansas salesperson or an active Arkansas associate broker license for a consecutive twenty-five (25) years or more;

(c) Has had no disciplinary action taken against him or her by the commission during the five (5) years immediately preceding the renewal or reactivation period of his or her salesperson license or associate broker license; and

(d) Has had no delinquent continuing education requirements under subdivision (c)(1) of this section during the five (5) years immediately preceding the renewal or reactivation period of his or her salesperson license or associate broker license.

(ii) A principal broker licensee or an executive broker licensee may submit a written application to the commission for exemption from the requirements of subdivision (c)(1) of this section with satisfactory proof that, in the calendar year immediately preceding the renewal or reactivation of a principal broker license or an executive broker license, the principal broker licensee or an executive broker licensee:

(a) Is seventy-two (72) years of age or older;

(b) Has held an active Arkansas principal broker license or an active Arkansas executive broker license for a consecutive twenty-five (25) years or more;

(c) Has had no disciplinary action taken against himself or herself or a licensee under his or her supervision by the commission during the five (5) years immediately preceding the renewal or reactivation period of his or her principal broker license or executive broker license; and

(d) Has had no delinquent continuing education requirements himself or herself or a licensee under his or her supervision has had no delinquent continuing education requirements under subdivision (c)(1) of this section during the five (5) years immediately preceding the renewal or reactivation period of his or her principal broker license or executive broker license.

(4) A continuing education exemption approved by the executive director under subdivision (c)(3) of this section may be revoked as a result of disciplinary action taken against a licensee after approval is granted.

(5) A continuing education exemption denied by the executive director under subdivision (c)(3) of this section may be appealed to the commission.

(6) Except as provided under subdivision (c)(3) of this section, an executive broker licensee, a principal broker licensee, an associate broker licensee, or a salesperson licensee is not exempt from the requirements of subdivision (c)(1) of this section.