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House Bill 4849 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment) House Bill 4850 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsors: Representative Tonva Schuitmaker (H.B. 4849)

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Senate Committee: Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform

CONTENT

House Bill 4849 (H-1) would amend the Occupational Code to provide that a real estate broker acting pursuant to a service provision agreement creating an exclusive agency relationship would be required, at minimum, to provide the following services to his or her client:

- -- When the real estate broker was representing a seller or lessor, the marketing of the client's property in the manner agreed upon in the service provision agreement.
- -- Acceptance of delivery and presentation of offers and counteroffers to buy, sell, or lease the client's property or the property the client sought to purchase or lease.
- -- Assistance in developing, communicating, negotiating, and presenting offers, counteroffers, and related documents or notices until a purchase or lease agreement was executed by all parties and all contingencies were satisfied or waived.
- -- After execution of a purchase agreement by all parties, assistance as necessary to complete the transaction under the terms specified in the purchase agreement.
- -- Furnishing, or causing to be furnished, a complete and detailed closing statement, as required by R 339.22311 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

A failure to provide the minimum services would be a violation of the Code subject to the penalties set forth in Article 6 of the Code.

House Bill 4850 (H-1) would amend the Code to require the disclosure regarding real estate agency relationships to include a description of the duties an agent providing services under an exclusive service provision agreement would owe to a client.

The two bills are tie-barred to each other.

MCL 339.2512 et al. (H.B. 4849) 339.2517 (H.B. 4850)

FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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