

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Business Regulation

8-308.1.

(A) THE COMMISSION SHALL PLACE THE LICENSE OF A LICENSEE ON INACTIVE STATUS, AND ISSUE AN INACTIVE STATUS CERTIFICATE TO THE LICENSEE, IF THE LICENSEE:

(1) SUBMITS TO THE COMMISSION AN APPLICATION FOR INACTIVE STATUS ON THE FORM THAT THE COMMISSION PROVIDES;

(2) PAYS TO THE COMMISSION AN INACTIVE STATUS APPLICATION FEE NOT EXCEEDING \$50, AS SET BY THE COMMISSION;

(3) EXCEPT FOR THE LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIREMENT OF § 8-302.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE, QUALIFIES FOR AN ACTIVE LICENSE; AND

(4) RETURNS THE LICENSE OF THE LICENSEE TO THE COMMISSION.

(B) (1) THE HOLDER OF A CONTRACTOR LICENSE THAT IS ON INACTIVE STATUS MAY NOT ACT AS A CONTRACTOR IN THE STATE.

(2) THE HOLDER OF A SUBCONTRACTOR LICENSE THAT IS ON INACTIVE STATUS MAY NOT ACT AS A SUBCONTRACTOR IN THE STATE.

(3) THE HOLDER OF A SALESPERSON LICENSE THAT IS ON INACTIVE STATUS MAY NOT SELL A HOME IMPROVEMENT IN THE STATE.

(C) (1) THE HOLDER OF A CONTRACTOR LICENSE THAT IS ON INACTIVE STATUS IS NOT REQUIRED TO MEET THE LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIREMENT OF § 8-302.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) THE HOLDER OF A CONTRACTOR LICENSE THAT IS ON INACTIVE STATUS IS NOT SUBJECT TO AN ASSESSMENT FOR THE FUND UNDER § 8-404(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(D) THE PLACEMENT OF A LICENSE ON INACTIVE STATUS DOES NOT AFFECT THE POWER OF THE COMMISSION TO SUSPEND OR REVOKE THE LICENSE OR TO TAKE ANY OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST THE LICENSEE.

(E) (1) A LICENSEE WHOSE LICENSE IS ON INACTIVE STATUS REMAINS RESPONSIBLE FOR RENEWING THE LICENSE AS REQUIRED UNDER § 8-308 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) THE HOLDER OF A CONTRACTOR LICENSE THAT IS ON INACTIVE STATUS MAY RENEW THE LICENSE WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH THE LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIREMENT OF § 8-302.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(3) NOTWITHSTANDING § 8-308 OF THIS SUBTITLE, A LICENSEE WHOSE LICENSE IS ON INACTIVE STATUS SHALL PAY TO THE COMMISSION A RENEWAL FEE OF: