

Section 17-315

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

17-315.

(a) (1) To qualify for renewal of a license under this subtitle, a licensee shall complete:

(i) in the license term that begins in 1992, at least 12 clock hours of continuing education instruction, as provided in this section, during each 2-year license term; and

(ii) in and after the license term that begins in 1996, at least 15 clock hours of continuing education instruction, as provided in this section, during the preceding 2-year term.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection:

(i) a licensee who is granted a license during the second year of a license term may renew a license for the next full term without complying with the continuing education requirements of this section; and

(ii) a licensee who has been licensed ~~AND ACTIVE AS A REAL ESTATE BROKER~~ for 10 ~~CONSECUTIVE~~ years or more may satisfy the continuing education requirements and renew a license for the next full term by completing [a 6-hour course] 6 CLOCK HOURS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION INSTRUCTION that outlines relevant changes that have occurred in federal, State, or local laws, or any combination of those laws.

(b) (1) The Commission shall approve the form, substance, and, as provided under paragraph (2) of this subsection, subject matter of all continuing education courses.

(2) The subject matter approved by the Commission shall:

(i) relate to real estate; [and]

(ii) every 2 years, include at least one 3-hour course that outlines relevant changes that have occurred in federal, State, or local laws, or any combination of those laws, during the preceding 5 years; AND

(III) EVERY 2 YEARS, INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE ~~1.5-HOUR~~ 1.5 CLOCK HOUR COURSE THAT OUTLINES FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL FAIR HOUSING LAWS AND REGULATIONS, INCLUDING FAIR HOUSING ADVERTISING.