

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Financial Institutions
Section 1-208, 3-405, and 4-505
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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Financial Institutions
Section 2-110, 3-508, 5-206.1, 5-503, and 5-504
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Financial Institutions

1-208.

(A) THE DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT WRITTEN:

- (1) POLICIES GOVERNING REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL; AND
- (2) PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE HIRING AND PERFORMANCE OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS.

(B) THE PROCEDURES REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(2) OF THIS SECTION SHALL SET FORTH SPECIFIC FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION'S DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS, INCLUDING:

- (1) WHETHER THE APPRAISER IS LICENSED OR CERTIFIED UNDER THE BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS ARTICLE; AND
- (2) THE REAL ESTATE APPRAISER'S:
 - (I) PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION; AND
 - (II) EXPERIENCE IN REAL ESTATE APPRAISING.

(C) PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTATION, A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION SHALL SUBMIT ITS REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.

2-110.

(a) The Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner shall devote full time to their duties.