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The Honorable Senator Jackie Dingfelder, Committee Chair
Senate Committee on the Environment and Natural Resources
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Sent via e-mail and
Hand delivery

Re: HB 2801-7
Agency: The Appraiser Certification and Licensure Board
Agency Position: Neutral

Madam Chair and Members of the Committee:

Board Chair Daneene J. Fry has authorized me to communicate that the Appraiser Certification and Licensure Board (Board) officially takes a neutral position on the A-Engrossed HB 2801. However, the Board recognizes that the "home energy performance score" created by this bill will provide an objective and quantifiable measure of a building's energy efficiency. As a result, it could be a very useful tool to assist real estate appraisers in measuring market reaction to various combinations of energy efficient features present in different properties.

Representative Bailey, the bill's sponsor, presented the dash 7 amendments during your public hearing on this bill on May 6, 2013. These amendments *eliminate* the Board's concern over Sections 13 and 14 in the A-Engrossed bill related to Board issuance of appraiser "certification of competency" to perform valuations on property containing energy efficient features.

Section 15 of the dash 7 amendments requires the Board to determine ways to improve the education of appraisers related to energy efficiency, consider implementation of a program whereby appraisers can obtain energy efficient certification related to valuing property with energy efficient features and to report findings to the Legislature no later than February 1, 2014.

The Board is ready, willing and able to perform the tasks assigned by the dash 7 amendments and we stand ready to provide any other information you deem useful.

Respectfully,

Bob Keith, Administrator
Appraiser Certification and Licensure Board

Cc: Representative Jules Bailey
Daneene J. Fry, Board Chair

