



New York State Association of REALTORS®, Inc.

Legislative Steering Committee REPORT

September 30, 2020

Andy Kachaylo
Chair

Dan Davies
Vice-Chair

The Committee approved the reports from the February 12, 2020 and September 10, 2020 meetings.

NYSAR staff provided the Committee with an update on the 2020-21 Enacted State Budget and NYSAR's 2020 legislative priorities.

The Committee discussed three motions from the Article 12-A working group.

The Committee approved a motion that NYSAR should seek to increase the number of hours in the Broker's Qualifying Course from 45 hours to 75 hours.

The Committee approved a second motion that NYSAR should seek to change the experience requirements for a broker from two years and 3,500 points to five consecutive years and 6000 points.

The Committee also approved a motion that NYSAR should seek to increase the number of fair housing educational hours in the salesperson's qualifying course from 4 hours to 6 hours and reduce the number of commercial real estate course hours by 2.

The Committee discussed legislative proposals to address fair housing, including paired testing. The Committee directed staff to research organizations that conduct fair housing testing and its associated costs.

NYSAR staff provided an update on new fair housing laws and regulations, a proposed cease and desist zone in Brooklyn, federal and state eviction moratoriums, and lawsuits regarding broker fees and the legality of rent regulation.