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What is the issue or problem?

Please provide any additional background information or data you may have.

Do you have any ideas on how to solve the issue or fix the problem?

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Government Affairs Department at (808) 733-7060, ext. 104 or toll free for neighbor islands at 1(888) 737-9070, ext. 104. Or, e-mail the form to govtaffairs@hawaii Realtors.com.

PROCESS

Issues Submitted by:

- Members
- Local Boards
- National Association of REALTORS®
- Other industry groups
- Other HAR Committees



Government Affairs Committee (GAC)

- Researches, reviews and makes recommendations on submitted issues.



Executive Committee & Board of Directors

- Approves or does not approve recommendations by the GAC.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a proactive issue?

After adjournment of the State legislative session in May, often referred to as the Interim, the Government Affairs Committee (“GAC”) begins public policy discussion to determine subjects that are important, to best serve the membership of the organization for the next year.

The Hawai'i Association of REALTORS® (HAR) seeks input from numerous sources on proactive issues, which helps to craft the HAR Legislative Program.

HAR will devote the highest level of staff, HAR and GAC resources to actively work to pass proactive issues listed under the HAR Legislative Program. Also, a proactive issue usually involves HAR drafting legislation.

What are some examples of proactive issues that HAR found successes in the last few years?

- Permanently prohibited private transfer fees;
- Allowed Broker Price Opinions for a fee;
- Increased Continuing Education hours;
- Prevented a General Excise Tax increase and application of GET to condominium maintenance fees; and
- Provided clarity on the mandate to include license numbers on all advertising materials.