Occupational Licensing in Real Estate

BUYING A HOME IS THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT PURCHASE MANY CONSUMERS WILL MAKE.

Why is licensure critical?

To signal ETHICAL and COMPETENT practice

What about Free Markets and cutting red tape?

Real Estate Licensees generally must complete



Who should be licensed?

Professionals whose occupations pose a threat to:

HEALTH, SAFETY FINANCIAL WELL-BEING



- Coursework available online
- Education is supplemented with broker oversight

= FAR LESS THAN MANY OTHER PROFESSIONS

Real estate transactions are subject to laws regarding:



RECORDING REQUIREMENTS



CONSUMER PROTECTIONS





LENDING RESTRICTIONS



Banks rely on real estate professionals to ensure paperwork, value and condition of property are accurate

For a full exploration of these issues, see the White Paper, "Is Real Estate Licensing Necessary? What the Research Tells Us." prepared by The Association of Real Estate License Law Officials. The full report may be found at: www.ARELLO.org