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PRESS RELEASE

TWO POLICY ISSUES AND STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION TO FILL COMMISSION AGENDA

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In recent months the Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC) has deliberated upon details concerning two key policy matters affecting licensed real estate brokers, salespersons, and inspectors. Final action on proposals pertaining to mandatory continuing education (MCE) rules, as well as standards of practice for home inspectors, may occur at the Commission's scheduled meeting next week.

A number of MCE policy proposals regarding curricula, classroom procedures, and the approval process for education providers are being considered. One change being proposed would allow courses to be taught within real estate brokerage offices, provided that instruction is offered only in physical areas that are conducive to learning and isolated from brokerage work activities.

Other newly proposed rules would revise standards of practice for real estate inspectors. These requirements set a minimum standard that inspectors must meet in conducting any inspection of accessible parts, components, and systems typically found in residential or other real property.

From 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM the Commission will also hold a public forum on proposed changes and updates regarding TREC's five-year strategic plan. All individuals are invited to offer their ideas and comments concerning how the agency should plan to meet its legal responsibilities and program objectives, both now and in the foreseeable future.

The Commission meeting will be held on **Monday, March 27, 2000, beginning at 9:00 AM in Conference Room #235 of TREC Headquarters, 1101 Camino La Costa, in Austin.**