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REALTORS® SUPPORT Fair Housing and Diversity Education

The Massachusetts Association of REALTORS® (MAR), a 99-year-old professional trade association with over 25,000 members, supports a new bill (H.265/S.166) requiring fair housing and diversity education for MA real estate licensees.

- **Fair housing law touches every transaction.**
Fair housing training is a mandatory component of REALTOR® membership. However, it is essential that all real estate licensees know and understand how fair housing law works.
- **Hours requirements.**
The bill requires 4 of 40 licensing course hours and 2 of 12 biannual continuing education hours be completed in fair housing law or diversity and inclusion in real estate.
- **Technical cleanup.**
In addition to removing decades-old effective dates, the bill also alleviates misalignment with licensing provisions to incentivize new licensees to take continuing education courses earlier in their first renewal cycle.



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