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Overview

This bill makes changes to the requirement relating to criminal history background checks, the submission of complaints against, the ability of the commissioner to discipline, and the ability of individuals to file suit against, licensed real estate appraisers.

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- 1 **Real estate appraisers.** Provides that data relating to disciplinary action against real estate appraisers is classified.
- 2 **Powers of the commissioner.** Provides that the commissioner of commerce has the ability to conduct investigations of allegations of noncompliance and initiate formal complaints.
- 3 **[82B.072] Allegations of noncompliance and formal complaints.**
 - Subd. 1. Allegations of noncompliance.** Provides requirements for an allegation of noncompliance against a license real estate appraiser. Allows the commissioner to investigate only allegations that meet these requirements.
 - Subd. 2. Formal complaint.** Allows the commissioner to initiate a formal complaint against a licensed real estate appraiser if an allegation of noncompliance meets certain requirements.
- 4 **Criminal history record check; fingerprints.** Clarifies that applicants applying for their first real estate appraiser license must consent to a criminal history background check and fingerprint card. Requires an applicant renewing a real estate appraiser license to disclose

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certain information involving crimes to the commissioner. Allows the commissioner to require a criminal history background check and fingerprint card for an applicant renewing a license if the commissioner has a reasonable belief the applicant did not disclose certain information, or if the applicant is randomly chosen by the commissioner.

- 5 **Time limitations.** Prohibits the commissioner from considering a prior disciplinary action as part of any new enforcement action if the action took place more than five years prior. This limitation does not apply to certain disciplinary actions.
- 6 **Time limitations.** Requires a private right of action to begin the earlier of six years from the date of the appraisal services or the date the appraisal was completed. This limitation does not apply to certain types of actions.
- 7 **Effective date.** All sections are effective August 1, 2017, and apply to appraisals performed on or after that date.