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## PUBLIC MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 26, 2013

The Board of Building Appeals will meet on Monday, August 26, at 12:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, August 27, at 8 a.m. Both meetings will take place at the Division of Industrial Compliance, 6606 Tussing Road, Training Room 1, Reynoldsburg.

The Board of Building Appeals reviews appeals to adjudication orders issued by the Division of Industrial Compliance's bureaus of Building Code Compliance and Operations and Maintenance, or by any certified local or county enforcement agency. The Board also reviews appeals made to fire citations issued by the State Fire Marshal or any local fire department with a certified fire safety inspector. The Board can reverse or modify orders of the enforcing agencies and can also grant variances and exemptions to certain code requirements.

The Licensing Structure Review Task Force will meet on Thursday, August 29, at 1 p.m. in the Riffe Tower, 77 South High Street, 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Columbus.

The Licensing Structure Review Task Force is created by the Ohio Real Estate Commission to review the current real estate licensing structure in Ohio and make recommendations for possible changes. The task force will review whether the licensing structure meets the needs of today's Ohio real estate buyers and sellers, the industry, regulators and the real estate market. The task force may also recommend changes to the education, experience and examination requirements for real estate licenses.