



South Texas Commercial Association of REALTORS®

News & Announcements

2022 FY Federal Omnibus Bill: NAR Priorities

On March 15, 2022, President Joe Biden signed the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022, a \$1.5 trillion omnibus spending package that will keep the government running and funded through Sept. 30. Since last October, the government has relied on a series of short-term funding extensions while Congress worked toward this long-term solution.

The trillion-dollar package, approved by the House March 9 and Senate March 10, includes defense funding (\$782 billion; a \$42 billion increase over FY 2021) and non-defense funding (\$730 billion; a \$46 billion increase over FY 2021). It provides for nearly \$14 billion in support for Ukraine.

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NAR Comments on Proposed WOTUS Rule

NAR recently submitted comments(link is external), in coordination with a robust coalition of regulated stakeholders, on the Environmental Protection Agency's and the Army Corps of Engineers' proposed rule redefining "the waters of the United States" (WOTUS) under the Clean Water Act.

NAR is concerned that this proposed rule, if finalized, will sweep more U.S. waters under jurisdiction of the federal Clean Water Act, leading to more delays in building more homes. The EPA has not set a timeframe for finalizing the proposed rule.

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FHFA Responds to NAR's Request on Delaying New Condo Documentation Requirements

The new requirements are in response to the Surfside disaster last year in Florida, in which a condo collapsed and nearly 100 people were killed. The property was due for renovations and had been under-reserved.

NAR previously requested a delay in implementation and better marketing/information for homeowners associations (HOAs) on the requirements. In its response to NAR's request, the FHFA indicated that it:

- Will not delay the implementation, but
- Offered to facilitate a discussion with the government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs) for better marketing of their requirements and info sessions for HOAs.

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Upcoming Events

- **April 11, 2022 @ 12:00 p.m.** Webinar: The Ukraine Conflict and Global Real Estate - [Register here.](#)
- **April 25, 2022 @ 11:00 a.m.** - STCAR Board of Directors meeting. All members may attend in person at 9110 IH-10 W. or [virtually here.](#)

Advocacy

TREPAC: TREPAC protects your industry and private property rights. If real estate is your profession, politics is your business. And no one protects the real estate industry and your bottom line like the Texas REALTORS® Political Action Committee (TREPAC). Text "TREPAC" to 21024 to receive periodic updates on important issues. To contribute, contact info@stcar.org. [Learn more.](#)

RPAC: Since 1969, the REALTORS® Political Action Committee has promoted the election of pro-REALTOR® candidates across the US. [Learn more.](#)



Participate in NAR's Broker Involvement Program

This dynamic program provides you with a quick and effective tool to rally your agents on critical legislative issues. [Learn more.](#)

Charity of Choice

Partner with the **American Cancer Society** to fund the local Patient Transportation Program. To contribute, contact info@stcar.org.



Texas REALTORS® Member Benefits

You get a lot of value from your member dues. Legal answers, marketing tools, discounts on products and services, and legislative and political advocacy are only a few examples of what you get as a Texas REALTOR®. [See benefits.](#)

About STCAR

The purpose of the South Texas Commercial Association of REALTORS® is to provide products, programs, and services to be a business and information resource to the member; enhance the commercial REALTOR® image and involvement in the community; and be the voice for commercial REALTORS® in the political and legislative arena.

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