HOUSE No. 4126

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 28, 2016.

The committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 162) of Evandro C. Carvalho and others relative to fair housing pre-licensing training for real estate agents, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4126) ought to pass.

For the committee,

JENNIFER E. BENSON.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act relative to promoting fair housing practices.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 87SS of chapter 112 as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition is
- 2 hereby amended by inserting after "instruction," line 28, the following words:-
- 3 including a minimum of 2 hours of Fair Housing education.
- 4 SECTION 2. Section 87XX1/2 of said chapter 112 is hereby amended by striking out the
- 5 second sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:-
- The curriculum contained in such courses or programs shall contain at least 1 hour of
- 7 instruction concerning fair housing laws and regulations and at least 5 hours of instructions
- 8 concerning or related to compliance with laws and regulations selected from any of the following
- 9 subjects: equal employment opportunity; accessibility for the disabled; agency law;
- 10 environmental issues in real estate; zoning and building codes; real estate appraisal and
- financing; property tax assessments and valuation; and real estate board regulations.
- SECTION 3. This act shall take effect immediately upon passage.