



CAPITOL CONNECTION

A brief weekly update from the Colorado Association of REALTORS® Government Affairs Division

2009 Legislative Review

Beginning in January, the CAR Legislative Policy Committee (LPC) held regular meetings throughout the legislative session to review and recommend action on specific legislation impacting the real estate industry in our state. There were 43 active and committed REALTOR® members on the LPC this year – representing local boards and associations across the state. Both Commercial Brokers and Residential REALTORS® were well represented.

At the session came to a close on May 6th, CAR had actively reviewed 69 bills and took a position on 41 of them. We accomplished much but there is still a lot of work left to be done before the 2010 session.

[View the 2009 Legislative Review](#)

Clarification on HB 1109

House Bill 1109 recently was enacted to expand the protection given to homeowners under the Foreclosure Protection Act. Click on the link below to view a detailed explanation of the new provisions which will go into effect on July 1st, 2009.

[HB 1109 Information Sheet](#)

In the coming weeks, CAR will be providing additional updates on other new form changes.

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- Educate and elect policy makers who support REALTOR® issues; and
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