

2025 Legislative Agenda

Home Inspection Accountability Act

The Home Inspection Accountability Act provides guidelines to ensure Iowa consumers are protected during the home inspection process. Under this bill, home inspectors in Iowa are required to comply with the following:

- **Belong to a national association which requires that its members comply with a code of conduct and attend continuing professional education classes as an ongoing condition of membership.**
- **Carry Errors and Omissions insurance to protect the public in cases of error or negligence.**
- **Refrain from performing or offering to perform for an additional fee any repairs to a structure with respect to which the home inspector, the employer of the home inspector or such other business or person has prepared a home inspection report within the preceding 12 months.**
- **Refrain from offering or delivering any commission, referral fee or kickback to the seller of the inspected property or to an agent for either or both of the seller and the buyer for the referral of any business to the home inspector.**
- **Except as otherwise required by law, not deliver a home inspection report to any person other than the client of the home inspector without the client's consent.**

Protection and Expansion of Private Property Rights and Homeownership

- **Iowa REALTORS® oppose any mandates or disclosures at time of transfer that are burdensome and onerous for property owners.**
- **Iowa REALTORS® support expanded funding for housing programs and housing development and oppose additional fees that create barriers to homeownership for Iowans.**
- **Iowa REALTORS® support fair and equitable property tax changes that increase housing affordability and maintain high quality of life in Iowa communities.**
- **Iowa REALTORS® advocate for strengthening property rights and providing Iowans with the tools and resources to have safe and secure housing.**