FAQ - Legal References

Q. - What are the statutory bases of the programs administered by the Department of Real Estate?

A. - The licensing and regulation of Brokers and Salespersons are covered by Business and Professions Code Sections 10000, et seq. The Subdivided Lands Law, which governs the offering of new residential subdivisions is located in Section 11000 et seq, of the Business and Professions Code. The Real Estate Commissioner has the authority to adopt Regulations to implement these statutes.

Q. - How can I access California statutes?

A. - The Department publishes the Real Estate Law each year on the DRE Web site and as a book and CD (submit a Publications Request (RE 350) to order). California statutes are also available on the Internet at http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html. Public libraries may also have law books available.

Q. - Where can I find the legal requirements for the Seller's Transfer Disclosure Statement (TDS)?

A. - This requirement is set forth in Civil Code Section 1102, et seq.