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Amy Frink and Terry Leibel testified against HB 1269 on behalf of PAASD and ASFMRA respectively this morning. The Bill was sent to the 41st Day (killed) in the House Local Government Committee 12-0. The two of them did a great job representing the industry. Several Appraisers from around state also made contact with their legislators urging their opposition. It all made a difference!!

The bill would have made it illegal to put deed and title information on line making the entire lending process more difficult as more counties convert to online record keeping.

We are still monitoring two other Bills; HB 1126 and HB 1127. We support HB 1127 which permits Appraisers to do evaluations and are neutral on HB 1126 which allows RE Brokers to do evaluations. Randy Vance spoke in support of HB 1127 last week in House Commerce Committee where it passed unanimously. It also passed the full House 66-0 and we expect it to pass the Senate as well.

Thus far it has been a good session for the appraisal industry.

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