

The Inspector

Quarterly Newsletter

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2024 Second Quarterly Board Meeting

The Louisiana State Board of Home Inspector's first quarter Board meeting was held June 7, 2024 in Baton Rouge.

The meeting was promptly called to order by Chairman, Fred Williams at 9:08 a.m.

The Board began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the board members reviewing and approving the minutes of the previous board meeting.

There were not complaints on the docket for the second quarter; however, the board did revisit C-22-004 to clarify specific suspension details that were not originally spelled out when the complaint was heard. It was voted on and unanimously passed that the suspension for Mr. Mike Burroughs would be for twelve months and he could reapply as a continuing education provider in March 2025. The suspension is only for providing continuing education.

The Board then unanimously approved to adopt new CE provider auditor requirements. The purpose of these requirements is to assure that the CE auditor exceeds the regular requirements of a CE provider as they should be held to a higher standard. The CE auditor must have been an ACTIVE inspector for a least five years, performed 750 inspections, and had no violations in the last five vears; however, the auditor can be either INACTIVE or ACTIVE at the time of application as long as these

requirements have been previously met.

William Paternoster proposed a possible law change (§1474.B) that would remove any nonactive nominating entities and possible allow licensed home inspectors to nominate for open board seats. The Board will review current rules to make and revisit.

Lastly, Mr. Albert Nicaud gave a quick update on the status of the current rule changes. The first set of rule changes were published at the end of June and the second set is scheduled to be published at the end of July.

The Board meeting was later adjourned by Chairman, Fred Williams at 10:47 a.m.



Legislative Update

HB 716 <u>https://legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?i=246567</u> Act 568-Signed by the Governor *Provides for universal recognition of occupational licenses* Allows Inspectors licensed in other states to move to Louisiana and obtain a license in Louisiana. (with stipulations) SB 60 https://legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?i=245866 Act 253-Signed by Governor

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SB 462 <u>https://legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?i=247109</u> Act 491-Signed by the Governor *Provides for gubernatorial appointments*.

2024 MEETING DATES

- March 1, 2024
- June 7, 2024
- September 6, 2024
- December 6, 2024

All LSBHI Board meetings will commence at 9am unless otherwise noted. Special meetings, when needed, will be broadcasted. All meetings will be held at 5211 Essen Lane Suite 9, Baton Rouge LA 70809.

Board Members Term Soon To Expire

The term for the board members representing **congressional districts no. 3 and no. 4 will expire July 2025.** The board shall be composed of one member from each of the six congressional districts and one at-large board member that can be drawn from any of the congressional districts. Each member is appointed by the governor from a list of nominees submitted by the board of directors of the <u>Louisiana Chapter of the American Society of Home Inspectors</u>, the <u>Louisiana Realtors Association</u>, and the <u>Louisiana Homebuilders Association</u>. Each member of the board shall serve a four year term. Each member shall have been actively engaged in the home inspection business on a full-time basis for three years preceding the appointment.

In order for the Governor to accept a nomination from the organizations mentioned above, an application must be submitted. Click below to complete the application.



STATS

Monthly Reporting Totals

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>		
January	3168	2948		
February	3321	3337		
March	4466	3790		
April	3972	4147		
May	4553	4119		
June	4220	-		
July	3666	-		
August	3887	-		
September	3042	-		
October	2873	-		
November	2559	-		
December	2327	-		
2023	Total Inspect	ions: 42054		
2022 Total Inspections: 53290				
	Total Inspect			
2020 Total Inspections: 53758				
	Total Inspect			

The Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors would like to recognize our newest Licensed Home Inspectors for 2024. These inspectors were licensed during the second-quarter of 2024:

* * * *	Zack Moncrief Christopher Nordan Todd Hatch Danny Danielson Karl Fudge George Becnel Ryan Clouatre Michael Gallent Michael Thibodeaux	LHI#I 1390 LHI#I 1391 LHI#I 1392 LHI#I 1393 LHI#I 1394 LHI#I 1395 LHI#I 1396 LHI#I 1397 LHI#I 1398	

Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors

Governor Jeff Landry

1st Congressional District William "Billy" Paternoster

3rd Congressional District **Paul Brunet**

5th Congressional District Robert Smith

At Large Member Jean Picou Jr. 2nd Congressional District **David Holt**

4th Congressional District Fredrick Williams

6th Congressional District John "Danny" McLaughlin

Chief Operating Officer Morgan Spinosa

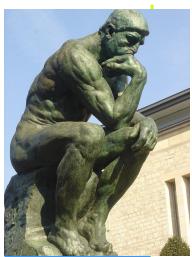


Legal Counsel Albert Nicaud



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Did You Know?



• The LHI must be personally listed as a "party" to the inspection agreement. However, it is acceptable for the LHI's company to be listed as a party to the agreement, as long as the LHI is listed as a representative of the company. For example: Jon Doe on behalf of JD Home Inspections LLC. In addition the LHI performing the inspection must sign the inspection report and include his/her LHI number.

• A photograph alone does NOT satisfy reporting requirements unless there is a written descriptive narrative included with the photograph.

• The Pre-inspection agreement requires that the SOP and COE be included. A hyperlink to the SOP is NOT acceptable. It must either be physically given or an attachment in an email.

• It is not recommended that an LHI reference other SOP's in their agreement, but it is not prohibited as long as you reference the LSBHI standards of practice as well.

The LSBHI website provides up to date information regarding upcoming continuing education courses.

Click below to view the calendar that is updated daily.





First Quarter Board Meeting Minutes

Pre-Inspection Agreement-updated 12/4/2023

<u>Title 46 Professional and Occupational Standards Part XL. Home Inspectors</u>



Are you looking for continuing education? Visit our website for a list of Board approved providers.

Filing Monthly Reports Online

The LSBHI highly recommends monthly reporting to be filed online. This service is available to all Home Inspectors. The online service is only available for filing monthly reports.

All ACTIVE inspectors must file a report every month regardless of the number of inspections performed. Be sure that the "report month" matches the month the inspections were performed.

Instructions for filing online click here

Create an account: click here





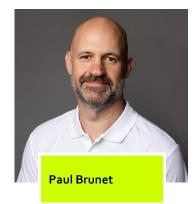
Board Members and Staff



1st Congressional District



2nd Congressional District



3rd Congressional District



4th Congressional District



5th Congressional District



At Large Member



Morgan Spinosa

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6th Congressional District



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NOTICE: LA RS 37:23.2: Each applicant or licensee may submit complaints about actions or procedures of the Board to the Board (5211 Essen Lane Suite 9, Baton Rouge LA 70809, 225-248-1334, LSBHI@lsbhi.la.gov) or directly to the House and Governmental Affairs Committee (P.O. Box 944486, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, 225-342-2403, h&ga@legis.la.gov) or to the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee (P.O. Box 94183, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, 225-342-9845, s&g@legis.la.gov).