

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT POLICY TRACKING PLATFORM ACCESS GUIDANCE**

### **PURPOSE AND GOAL OF PLATFORM**

The National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) is excited to announce pilot access for up to fifty (50) user licenses for FiscalNote Curate, a local policy tracking platform that tracks more than 400 legislative topics across more than 12,000 municipalities nationwide. This platform access is currently funded by NAR's budgeted advocacy funds through December 2023.

Policies set at the local level have a direct impact on NAR's more than 1.5 million members. The need to not only know what is happening in local government, but be able to inform REALTOR® members of legislative activity is an urgent one. FiscalNote's Curate platform is the tool that captures all of this information and is also a resource that 28 REALTORS® associations at the state or local level already rely on.

The FiscalNote Curate platform tracks policies related to real estate in ordinance proposals, regulations, meeting agendas, and minutes of the county, city, and other local government entities. The most commonly used real estate related topics already embedded in the Curate platform include:

- Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's)
- Affordable Housing
- Broadband
- Building Codes
- Development Requirements
- Housing Grants
- Impact Fees
- Infrastructure
- Moratoriums
- Property Ownership
- Real Estate Agents
- Rent Control
- Rental Housing
- Short Term Rentals
- Sign Ordinances
- Taxes
- Transfer Tax
- Transportation
- Water Rate Changes
- Zoning & Land Use

### **PLATFORM FUNDING & STATE/LOCAL ASSOCIATION CONTRIBUTIONS**

The Local Government Policy Tracking Platform powered by FiscalNote Curate is currently funded through NAR's budgeted advocacy funds through December 2023.

State and/or Local REALTOR® Associations may request access to the platform under the following conditions:

- All State and Local REALTOR® Associations are eligible for platform access ***except*** for state or local REALTOR® associations where FiscalNote Curate currently has an existing relationship. (This will remain in effect until the end of their existing contract term. Curate will provide premium features for these groups for the remainder of the current agreements.)
- Each user license is limited to a single log-in for the Association requesting access for one *association staff* person only.
- Access to the platform will be given through December 2023. Associations will be notified should NAR extend its contract and what, if any additional requirements are needed for State and Local Associations to maintain access.
- NAR will disseminate fifty (50) user licenses at no cost to State and Local REALTOR® Associations requesting access on a first come first served basis with the capability to increase the number of user licenses as needed during the term of its current contract with FiscalNote Curate at an additional cost as described below.

Once the first fifty (50) licenses are disseminated, any new user licenses requested by a State and Local Association can be acquired under the following conditions:

- State and Local Associations that request platform access will be required to pay \$1,000 as a “skin in the game” contribution. “Skin in the game” contributions are a flat rate and do not change based on the date the application is submitted.

## **LICENSE REQUEST PROCESS AND REQUEST REQUIREMENTS**

Requests for user license access are submitted by State or Local REALTOR® Associations and reviewed by NAR staff via the web-based form located on the [REALTOR® Party website](#). All questions must be answered.

**Point of Contact.** An association staff person (AE, GAD, or other designated staff person) must complete and submit the form, be identified as the contact person, and serve as the primary point of contact on communications between the association, NAR, and FiscalNote Curate. Each user license is limited to a single log-in for the Association requesting access for one association staff person only.

**Deadlines for Request Submission.** While requests may be submitted at any time, Associations are encouraged to request access as soon as possible.

**Contribution Standards (“Skin in the Game”)** Once the initial fifty (50) user licenses are disseminated all State and Local Associations must contribute \$1,000 toward the cost of user access to the Local Policy Tracking Platform powered by FiscalNote Curate. An invoice with details on how to send funds to NAR will be sent to the Association at the time access is requested.

**Legal Compliance** A State or Local REALTOR® association receiving access should seek the advice of legal counsel to ensure their own legal compliance with lobbying, ethics, and/or campaign finance laws, if applicable.