

Auction ad monitoring

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ads. The auctioneers are then given four weeks to comply prior to the initiation of possible action against them.

Continued non-compliance can result in a formal hearing before the Board that could lead to revocation of a license and-or a \$50.00 fine.

The new law also requires the licensing of auction houses and companies for the first time in Pennsylvania.

If an auction house or company is owned by a licensed auctioneer, it only need be properly registered with the board. But if either an auction house or company is owned by other than a licensed auctioneer, it must secure a license from the board.

"We're receiving applications for licenses from auction houses we had never even heard of before," said Glowacki.

The law defines an auction house as:

"An established place of business, including but not limited

to an auction barn, a sale barn and a sale pavilion, where two or more auctions are held within any 12-month period and where representations are regularly made that property is sold at auction. The term does not include premises where isolated sales are conducted by an auctioneer or auctioneer apprentice and which are used primarily for purposes other than auctions or sales at auction."

In another change, an applicant for an apprentice auctioneer

license no longer need take a law exam to get the license.

Qualifications for an auctioneer license state:

"To qualify for an auctioneer license, a person must have passed the prescribed examination after having

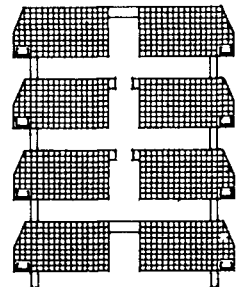
"Served an apprenticeship as a licensed apprentice auctioneer for a period of not less than two years in the employ of a qualified auctioneer and participated for compensation in no less than 30 auctions; or

"Successfully completed a prescribed course of study in auctioneering of at least 20 credit hours at a school approved by the Board."

There are approximately 1,800 active auctioneers licensed in the state.



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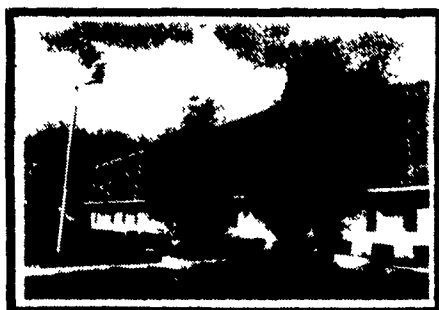
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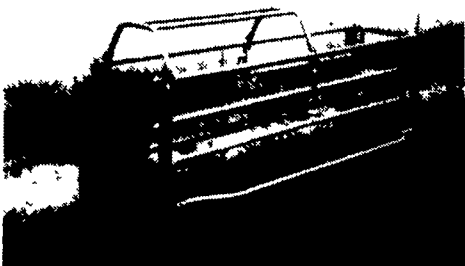
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