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MEMO

To: All Registered Arkansas Home Inspectors

From: Board of Directors

Re: Be Aware of Scam

Text messages are being sent to home inspectors by a 'fake client' attempting to hire them to inspect a home. These messages are completely fake. This 'client' claims to be purchasing a home from the seller & he gives his name and the address of the property along with details, such as square footage and the number of rooms.

The 'client' will confirm an appointment with the home inspector, then ask if checks are accepted. He then tells the home inspector that a 'Bug Guy' will be at the home performing an inspection while the home inspector is there.

The 'client' tells the home inspector that he will pay 'in advance' for the home inspection and the check would be for a larger amount than his actual fee. He tells the home inspector to deposit the check and when it clears, he should deduct his home inspection fee plus additional money for gas. The home inspector is then supposed to send the remaining balance to the 'Bug Guy' who will then provide the 'client' with his 'special pest control report.'

HOME INSPECTORS: All of this is fake. The only real thing is you and someone is trying to separate you from your money. These 'clients' may change some of the details to make it sound legitimate, but it will still be fake.

DON'T FALL FOR IT!!