## 4 Changes to Real Estate Resulting from the National Association of Realtors (NAR) Settlement

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1. **De-Coupling of commissions** - listing broker is no longer allowed to have a unilateral agreement of cooperation with all other brokerages in town.

\*Does 6% sound familiar? You could be hiring your agent for much less now.

2. No more offers of co-operating commissions on MLS - since we have no more agreements of cooperation, then there are no more displays of compensation.

\*It's truly a negotiation between buyer and seller and give control to the consumer.

3. Clear disclosure of how compensation works - Every client will know how their agent is paid, who is paying the agent, and excatly what that compensation is.

\*Transparency? I say this is a great change!

4. **Buyer Representation Agreements** - In a similar way you would sign a an agreement with a Realtor to sell your home, all home buyers are required to do the same. Every client will always know how the parties are represented and compensated.

\*Every client deserves and advocate!

