

Committee Substitute for  
Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 2060

An act relating to the practice of architecture and interior design; amending s. 481.203, F.S.; defining the term “responsible supervising control”; amending s. 481.205, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Architecture and Interior Design to adopt certain rules; amending s. 481.223, F.S.; authorizing certain architects to use the title “Architect, Retired”; authorizing certain interior designers to use the title “Interior Designer, Retired”; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (16) is added to section 481.203, Florida Statutes, to read:

481.203 Definitions.—As used in this part:

(16) “Responsible supervising control” means the exercise of direct personal supervision and control throughout the preparation of documents, instruments of service, or any other work requiring the seal and signature of a licensee under this part.

Section 2. Subsection (4) is added to section 481.205, Florida Statutes, to read

481.205 Board of Architecture and Interior Design.—

(4) The board may establish by rule minimum procedures, documentation, and other requirements for indicating evidence of the exercise of responsible supervising control by a person licensed under this part in connection with work performed both inside and outside the licensee’s office.

Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 481.223, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

481.223 Prohibitions; penalties; injunctive relief.—

(1) A person may not knowingly:

(a) Practice architecture unless the person is an architect or a registered architect; however, a licensed architect who has been licensed by the board and who chooses to relinquish or not to renew his or her license may use the title “Architect, Retired” but may not otherwise render any architectural services.;

(b) Practice interior design unless the person is a registered interior designer unless otherwise exempted herein; however, an interior designer who has been licensed by the board and who chooses to relinquish or not to renew his or her license may use the title “Interior Designer, Retired” but may not otherwise render any interior design services.

- (c) Use the name or title “architect” or “registered architect,” or “interior designer” or “registered interior designer,” or words to that effect, when the person is not then the holder of a valid license issued pursuant to this part.;
- (d) Present as his or her own the license of another.;
- (e) Give false or forged evidence to the board or a member thereof.;
- (f) Use or attempt to use an architect or interior designer license that has been suspended, revoked, or placed on inactive or delinquent status.;
- (g) Employ unlicensed persons to practice architecture or interior design.;
- (h) Conceal information relative to violations of this part.

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

Approved by the Governor June 22, 2006.

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