

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB4709

Introduced 1/12/2006, by Rep. Angelo Saviano

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 310/6 from Ch. 111, par. 8206 225 ILCS 310/8 from Ch. 111, par. 8208

Amends the Interior Design Title Act. Changes the number of members on the Board of Interior Design Professionals from 5 to 7. Removes a provision concerning initial Board appointments and the requirement that certain Board members be a member of the profession for a period of at least 5 years. Provides that a majority of Board members then appointed constitutes a quorum and that a majority vote of the quorum is required for a Board decision. Removes the grandfather provision from a Section concerning the requirements for registration under the Act. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Interior Design Title Act is amended by changing Sections 6 and 8 as follows:
- 6 (225 ILCS 310/6) (from Ch. 111, par. 8206)
- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2012)
- Sec. 6. Board of Interior Design Professionals. There is created a Board of Interior Design Professionals to be composed of persons designated from time to time by the Director, as follows:
  - been interior designers, 2 of whom are registered residential interior designers for a period of 5 years or more who would qualify upon application to the Department under this Act to be registered interior designers, and one public member. After the initial appointments, each interior design member shall hold a valid interior design registration. After the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1994, 2 additional persons shall be appointed to the Board who have been residential interior designers for a period of 5 years or more and who would qualify upon application under this Act to be registered as a residential interior designer. After the initial appointments of the 2 additional members, each residential interior designer member shall hold a valid residential interior designer registration. The Board shall annually elect a chairman.
  - (b) Terms for all members shall be 3 years. For initial appointments, one member shall be appointed to serve for one year, 2 shall be appointed to serve for 2 years, and the remaining shall be appointed to serve for 3 years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Initial terms shall begin on the effective date of this Act. For the initial

- appointments of the 2 additional members added by this
  amendatory Act of 1994, one shall be appointed to serve for one
  year and the other to serve for 2 years, and until their
  successors are appointed and qualified. Partial terms over 2
  years in length shall be considered as full terms. A member may
  be reappointed for a successive term, but no member shall serve
  more than 2 full terms.
  - (c) The membership of the Board should reasonably reflect representation from the various geographic areas of the State.
  - (d) In making appointments to the Board, the Director shall give due consideration to recommendations by national and state organizations of the interior design profession and the residential interior design profession, and shall promptly give due notice to such organizations of any vacancy in the membership of the Board. The Director may terminate the appointment of any member for any cause, which in the opinion of the Director, reasonably justifies such termination.
  - (e) A vacancy in the membership of the Board shall not impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the Board. A majority of Board members then appointed constitutes a quorum. A majority vote of the quorum is required for a Board decision.
  - (f) The members of the Board shall each receive as compensation a reasonable sum as determined by the Director for each day actually engaged in the duties of the office, and all legitimate and necessary expenses incurred in attending the meeting of the Board.
  - (g) Members of the Board shall be immune from suit in any action based upon any disciplinary proceedings or other activities performed in good faith as members of the Board.
- 31 (Source: P.A. 88-650, eff. 9-16-94.)
- 32 (225 ILCS 310/8) (from Ch. 111, par. 8208)
- 33 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2012)
- 34 Sec. 8. Requirements for registration.
- 35 (a) Each applicant for registration shall apply to the

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- 1 Department in writing on a form provided by the Department.
- 2 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, each applicant shall
- 3 take and pass the examination approved by the Department. Prior
- 4 to registration, the applicant shall provide substantial
- 5 evidence to the Board that the applicant:
  - (1) is a graduate of a 5 year interior design program from an accredited institution and has completed at least 2 years of full time diversified interior design experience;
  - (2) is a graduate of a 4 year interior design program from an accredited institution and has completed at least 2 years of full time diversified interior design experience;
  - (3) has completed at least 3 years of interior design curriculum from an accredited institution and has completed 3 years of full time diversified interior design experience;
  - (4) is a graduate of a 2 year interior design program from an accredited institution and has completed 4 years of full time diversified interior design experience; or
  - (5) holds a high school diploma or GED and has completed 5 years of full time diversified residential interior design experience.
  - (b) In addition to providing evidence of meeting the requirements of subsection (a):
    - (1) Each applicant for registration as an interior designer shall provide substantial evidence that he or she has successfully completed the examination administered by the National Council for Interior Design Qualifications.
    - (2) Each applicant for registration as a residential interior designer shall provide substantial evidence that he or she has successfully completed the examination administered by the Council for Qualification of Residential Interior Designers.

Examinations for applicants under this Act may be held at the direction of the Department from time to time but not less than once each year. The scope and form of the examination shall conform to the National Council for Interior Design

1 Qualification examination for interior designers and the

Council for Qualification of Residential Interior Designers

3 for residential interior designers.

Each applicant for registration who possesses the necessary qualifications shall pay to the Department the required registration fee, which is not refundable.

An individual applying for registration shall have 3 years from the date of application to complete the application process. If the process has not been completed in 3 years, the application shall be denied and the fee forfeited. The applicant may reapply, but shall meet the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication.

(c) (Blank). If any applicant applies for registration between January 1, 1993, and January 31, 1993, and had completed by June 30, 1992 at least 8 years of full time, diversified professional experience in interior design or a combination of full time experience and interior design education to equal 8 years, the applicant may be issued a certificate of registration without examination. Registration under this subsection shall be subject to the Board's discretionary review of the experience qualification.

Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Act, anyone who has submitted an application within 5 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1994 and has completed at least 15 years of full-time, diversified professional experience in interior design may be issued a certificate of registration without examination.

(c-5) If any applicant applies for registration as a residential interior designer within one year after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1994 and has completed at least 5 years of full time, diversified professional experience in residential interior design or a combination of full time experience and residential interior design education equal to 5 years, the applicant may be issued a certificate of registration without examination. Registration under this subsection shall be subject to the Board's discretionary review

- of the experience qualification.
- 2 (d) Upon payment of the required fee, which shall be
- determined by rule, an applicant who is an architect licensed
- 4 under the laws of this State may, without examination, be
- 5 granted registration as an interior designer or residential
- 6 interior designer by the Department provided the applicant
- 7 submits proof of an active architectural license in Illinois.
- 8 (e) An interior designer registered under the laws of this
- 9 State may, without examination or re-application, use the title
- 10 "Residential Interior Designer".
- 11 (Source: P.A. 87-756; 87-1237; 87-1269; 88-45; 88-650, eff.
- 12 9-16-94.)
- 13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 14 becoming law.