

Bill No. SB 958

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11 Senator Clary moved the following amendment:

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13 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14 On page 2, after line 31,

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16 insert:

17 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 481.209, Florida

18 Statutes, is amended to read:

19 481.209 Examinations.--

20 (1) A person desiring to be licensed as a registered

21 architect shall apply to the department to take the licensure

22 examination. The department shall administer the licensure

23 examination for architects to each applicant who the board

24 certifies:

25 (a) Has completed the application form and remitted a

26 nonrefundable application fee and an examination fee which is

27 refundable if the applicant is found to be ineligible to take

28 the examination;

29 (b)1. ~~Has successfully completed all architectural~~

30 ~~curriculum courses required by and~~ Is a graduate of a school

31 or college of architecture accredited by the National

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1 Architectural Accreditation Board; or

2 2. Is a graduate of an approved architectural
3 curriculum, evidenced by a degree from an unaccredited school
4 or college of architecture approved by the board. The board
5 shall adopt rules providing for the review and approval of
6 unaccredited schools and colleges of architecture and courses
7 of architectural study based on a review and inspection by the
8 board of the curriculum of accredited schools and colleges of
9 architecture in the United States, ~~including those schools and~~
10 ~~colleges accredited by the National Architectural~~
11 ~~Accreditation Board; and~~

12 (c) Has completed, prior to examination, 1 year of the
13 internship experience required by s. 481.211(1).

14 Section 3. Section 481.223, Florida Statutes, is
15 amended to read:

16 481.223 Prohibitions; penalties; injunctive relief.--

17 (1) A person may not knowingly:

18 (a) Practice architecture unless the person is an
19 architect or a registered architect;

20 (b) Practice interior design unless the person is a
21 registered interior designer unless otherwise exempted herein;

22 (c) Use the name or title "architect" or "registered
23 architect," or "interior designer" or "registered interior
24 designer," or words to that effect, when the person is not
25 then the holder of a valid license issued pursuant to this
26 part;

27 (d) Present as his or her own the license of another;

28 (e) Give false or forged evidence to the board or a
29 member thereof;

30 (f) Use or attempt to use an architect or interior
31 designer license that has been suspended, revoked, or placed

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1 on inactive or delinquent status;

2 (g) Employ unlicensed persons to practice architecture
3 or interior design; or

4 (h) Conceal information relative to violations of this
5 part.

6 (2) Any person who violates any provision of
7 subsection (1)~~this section~~ commits a misdemeanor of the first
8 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

9 (3)(a) Notwithstanding chapter 455 or any other law to
10 the contrary, an affected person may maintain an action for
11 injunctive relief to restrain or prevent a person from
12 violating paragraph (1)(a), paragraph (1)(b), or paragraph
13 (1)(c). The prevailing party is entitled to actual costs and
14 attorney's fees.

15 (b) For purposes of this subsection, the term
16 "affected person" means a person directly affected by the
17 actions of a person suspected of violating paragraph (1)(a),
18 paragraph (1)(b), or paragraph (1)(c) and includes, but is not
19 limited to, the department, any person who received services
20 from the alleged violator, or any private association composed
21 primarily of members of the profession the alleged violator is
22 practicing or offering to practice or holding himself or
23 herself out as qualified to practice.

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25 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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29 And the title is amended as follows:

30 On page 1, line 14, after the semicolon,

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1 insert:
2 amending s. 481.209, F.S.; revising
3 requirements relating to education for
4 licensure as an architect; amending s. 481.223,
5 F.S.; providing for injunctive relief for
6 certain violations relating to architecture and
7 interior design;

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