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1 The Business Regulation Committee recommends the following:

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3 **Council/Committee Substitute**

4 Remove the entire bill and insert:

5 A bill to be entitled

6 An act relating to the practice of interior design;
7 amending s. 481.223, F.S.; authorizing retired interior
8 designers to use the title "interior designer, retired";
9 prohibiting a person from performing certain acts without
10 employing a registered interior designer; providing an
11 effective date.

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

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

17 481.223 Prohibitions; penalties; injunctive relief.--

18 (1) A person may not knowingly:

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

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

23 However, a licensed interior designer who relinquishes or does

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24 | not renew his or her license may use the title "interior
 25 | designer, retired" but may not render any interior design
 26 | services;

27 | (c) Use the name or title "architect" or "registered
 28 | architect," or "interior designer" or "registered interior
 29 | designer," or words to that effect, when the person is not then
 30 | the holder of a valid license issued pursuant to this part;

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

32 | (e) Give false or forged evidence to the board or a member
 33 | thereof;

34 | (f) Use or attempt to use an architect or interior
 35 | designer license that has been suspended, revoked, or placed on
 36 | inactive or delinquent status;

37 | (g) Employ unlicensed persons to practice architecture or
 38 | interior design; ~~or~~

39 | (h) Conceal information relative to violations of this
 40 | part; ~~or~~

41 | (i) Use an unlicensed individual to provide engineering or
 42 | architectural services, plumbing or electrical work, landscape
 43 | services, or other work requiring a licensed professional if the
 44 | work is performed for an interior design construction contract
 45 | administered by a registered interior designer or by a
 46 | registered interior designer performing project management or
 47 | oversight as the owner's representative.

48 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.