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1 2	Representative Ingoglia offered the following:
2	Amendment (with title amendment)
4	Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:
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6	Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Occupational
7	Freedom and Opportunity Act."
8	Section 2. Paragraphs (h) and (k) of subsection (2) of
9	section 287.055, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
10	287.055 Acquisition of professional architectural,
11	engineering, landscape architectural, or surveying and mapping
12	services; definitions; procedures; contingent fees prohibited;
13	penalties
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A "design-build firm" means a partnership, 15 (h) 16 corporation, or other legal entity that: Is certified under s. 489.119 to engage in contracting 1. 18 through a certified or registered general contractor or a 19 certified or registered building contractor as the qualifying 20 agent; or Is qualified certified under s. 471.023 to practice or 2. to offer to practice engineering; qualified certified under s. 22 481.219 to practice or to offer to practice architecture; or 23 24 qualified certified under s. 481.319 to practice or to offer to 25 practice landscape architecture. 26 A "design criteria professional" means a firm that is (k) 27 qualified who holds a current certificate of registration under 28 chapter 481 to practice architecture or landscape architecture 29 or a firm who holds a current certificate as a registered 30 engineer under chapter 471 to practice engineering and who is 31 employed by or under contract to the agency for the providing of 32 professional architect services, landscape architect services, 33 or engineering services in connection with the preparation of 34 the design criteria package. 35 Section 3. Subsection (4) of section 322.57, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (5), and a new subsection 36

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(4) is added to that section, to read:

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(2) DEFINITIONS.-For purposes of this section:

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38	322.57 Tests of knowledge concerning specified vehicles;
39	endorsement; nonresidents; violations
40	(4)(a) As used in this subsection, the term
41	"servicemember" means a member of any branch of the United
42	States military or military reserves, the United States Coast
43	Guard or its reserves, the Florida National Guard, or the
44	Florida Air National Guard.
45	(b) The department shall waive the requirement to pass the
46	examination for a commercial driver license for servicemembers
47	and veterans if:
48	1. The applicant is a veteran who has been honorably
49	discharged from military service within 1 year before the
50	application.
51	2. The applicant is trained as an Army Motor Transport
52	Operator (MOS 88M) or a similar military specialty.
53	3. The applicant has received training to operate large
54	trucks in compliance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety
55	Administration.
56	4. The applicant has at least 2 years of experience in the
57	military driving vehicles that would require a commercial driver
58	license to operate.
59	(c) An applicant must complete all other requirements for
60	a commercial driver license within 1 year after receiving a
61	waiver under paragraph (b) or the waiver is invalid.
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62	(d) The department shall adopt rules to administer this
63	subsection.
64	Section 4. Subsection (13) of section 326.004, Florida
65	Statutes, is amended to read:
66	326.004 Licensing
67	(13) Each broker must maintain a principal place of
68	business in this state and may establish branch offices in the
69	state. A separate license must be maintained for each branch
70	office. The division shall establish by rule a fee not to exceed
71	\$100 for each branch office license.
72	Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 447.02, Florida
73	Statutes, is amended to read:
74	447.02 DefinitionsThe following terms, when used in this
75	chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this
76	section:
77	(3) The term "department" means the Department of Business
78	and Professional Regulation.
79	Section 6. Section 447.04, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
80	Section 7. Section 447.041, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
81	Section 8. <u>Section 447.045</u> , Florida Statutes, is repealed.
82	Section 9. Section 447.06, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
83	Section 10. Subsections (6) and (8) of section 447.09,
84	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
85	447.09 Right of franchise preserved; penalties.—It shall
86	be unlawful for any person:
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87	(6) To act as a business agent without having obtained and
88	possessing a valid and subsisting license or permit.
89	(8) To make any false statement in an application for a
90	license.
91	Section 11. Section 447.12, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
92	Section 12. Section 447.16, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
93	Section 13. Subsection (4) of section 447.305, Florida
94	Statutes, is amended to read:
95	447.305 Registration of employee organization
96	(4) Notification of registrations and renewals of
97	registration shall be furnished at regular intervals by the
98	commission to the Department of Business and Professional
99	Regulation.
100	Section 14. Subsection (14) is added to section 455.213,
101	Florida Statutes, to read:
102	455.213 General licensing provisions
103	(14) The department or a board must enter into a
104	reciprocal licensing agreement with other states if the practice
105	act within the purview of this chapter permits such agreement.
106	If a reciprocal licensing agreement exists or if the department
107	or board has determined another state's licensing requirements
108	or examinations to be substantially similar to those under the
109	practice act, the department or board must post on its website
110	which jurisdictions have such reciprocal licensing agreements or
111	substantially similar licenses.
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112	Section 15. Section 455.2278, Florida Statutes, is created
113	to read:
114	455.2278 Restriction on disciplinary action for student
115	<u>loan default</u>
116	(1) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section, the term:
117	(a) "Default" means the failure to repay a student loan
118	according to the terms agreed to in the promissory note.
119	(b) "Delinquency" means the failure to make a student loan
120	payment when it is due.
121	(c) "Student loan" means a federal-guaranteed or state-
122	guaranteed loan for the purposes of postsecondary education.
123	(d) "Work-conditional scholarship" means an award of
124	financial aid for a student to further his or her education
125	which imposes an obligation on the student to complete certain
126	work-related requirements to receive or to continue receiving
127	the scholarship.
128	(2) STUDENT LOAN DEFAULT; DELINQUENCYThe department or a
129	board may not suspend or revoke a license that it has issued to
130	any person who is in default on or delinquent in the payment of
131	his or her student loans solely on the basis of such default or
132	delinquency.
133	(3) WORK-CONDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP DEFAULTThe department
134	or a board may not suspend or revoke a license that it has
135	issued to any person who is in default on the satisfaction of
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the requirements of his or her work-conditional scholarship 136 137 solely on the basis of such default. 138 Section 16. Paragraph (k) of subsection (1) of section 456.072, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 139 140 456.072 Grounds for discipline; penalties; enforcement.-141 The following acts shall constitute grounds for which (1)142 the disciplinary actions specified in subsection (2) may be 143 taken: 144 Failing to perform any statutory or legal obligation (k) 145 placed upon a licensee. For purposes of this section, failing to repay a student loan issued or guaranteed by the state or the 146 147 Federal Government in accordance with the terms of the loan is not or failing to comply with service scholarship obligations 148 149 shall be considered a failure to perform a statutory or legal 150 obligation, and the minimum disciplinary action imposed shall be 151 a suspension of the license until new payment terms are agreed 152 upon or the scholarship obligation is resumed, followed by 153 probation for the duration of the student loan or remaining 154 scholarship obligation period, and a fine equal to 10 percent of 155 the defaulted loan amount. Fines collected shall be deposited 156 into the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund. 157 Section 17. Section 456.0721, Florida Statutes, is 158 repealed. Section 18. Subsection (4) of section 456.074, Florida 159 Statutes, is amended to read: 160 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM Page 7 of 104

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161 456.074 Certain health care practitioners; immediate 162 suspension of license.-(4) Upon receipt of information that a Florida-licensed 163 164 health care practitioner has defaulted on a student loan issued 165 or quaranteed by the state or the Federal Government, the 166 department shall notify the licensee by certified mail that he or she shall be subject to immediate suspension of license 167 unless, within 45 days after the date of mailing, the licensee 168 provides proof that new payment terms have been agreed upon by 169 170 all parties to the loan. The department shall issue an emergency 171 order suspending the license of any licensee who, after 45 days 172 following the date of mailing from the department, has failed to 173 provide such proof. Production of such proof shall not prohibit 174 the department from proceeding with disciplinary action against the licensee pursuant to s. 456.073. 175 Section 19. Subsection (8) of section 468.401, Florida 176 177 Statutes, is amended to read: 468.401 Regulation of talent agencies; definitions.-As 178 179 used in this part or any rule adopted pursuant hereto: 180 (8) "Artist" means a person under the age of 18 performing 181 on the professional stage or in the production of television, 182 radio, or motion pictures; a musician or group of musicians; or 183 a model. 184 Section 20. Paragraph (n) is added to subsection (1) of section 468.505, Florida Statutes, to read: 185 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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186 468.505 Exemptions; exceptions.-187 Nothing in this part may be construed as prohibiting (1) 188 or restricting the practice, services, or activities of: 189 (n) A person who provides information, recommendations, or advice concerning nutrition, or who markets food, food 190 191 materials, or dietary supplements for remuneration, if that 192 person does not represent himself or herself as a dietitian, licensed dietitian, registered dietitian, licensed nutritionist, 193 194 nutrition counselor, or licensed nutrition counselor, or use any 195 word, letter, symbol, or insignia indicating or implying that he 196 or she is a dietitian, nutritionist, or nutrition counselor. 197 Section 21. Subsection (4) of section 468.524, Florida 198 Statutes, is amended to read: 199 468.524 Application for license.-200 A An applicant or licensee is ineligible to reapply (4) 201 for a license for a period of 1 year following final agency 202 action on the denial or revocation of a license applied for or 203 issued under this part. This time restriction does not apply to 204 administrative denials or revocations entered because: 205 The applicant or licensee has made an inadvertent (a) 206 error or omission on the application; 207 The experience documented to the board was (b) insufficient at the time of the previous application; or 208 (c) The department is unable to complete the criminal 209 background investigation because of insufficient information 210 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM Page 9 of 104

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211 from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, the Federal 212 Bureau of Investigation, or any other applicable law enforcement 213 agency; 214 (c) (d) The applicant or licensee has failed to submit 215 required fees.; or (e) An applicant or licensed employee leasing company has 216 been deemed ineligible for a license because of the lack of good 217 moral character of an individual or individuals when such 218 individual or individuals are no longer employed in a capacity 219 220 that would require their licensing under this part. 221 Section 22. Paragraph (f) of subsection (5) of section 222 468.603, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 223 468.603 Definitions.-As used in this part: 224 (5) "Categories of building code inspectors" include the 225 following: 226 "Residential One and two family dwelling inspector" (f) 227 means a person who is qualified to inspect and determine that one-family, two-family, or three-family residences not exceeding 228 229 two habitable stories above no more than one uninhabitable story and accessory use structures in connection therewith one and two 230 231 family dwellings and accessory structures are constructed in 232 accordance with the provisions of the governing building, plumbing, mechanical, accessibility, and electrical codes. 233

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234 Section 23. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) and paragraph 235 (a) of subsection (7) of section 468.609, Florida Statutes, are 236 amended to read:

468.609 Administration of this part; standards forcertification; additional categories of certification.-

(2) A person may take the examination for certification as
a building code inspector or plans examiner pursuant to this
part if the person:

(c) Meets eligibility requirements according to one of thefollowing criteria:

1. Demonstrates <u>4</u> 5 years' combined experience in the field of construction or a related field, building code inspection, or plans review corresponding to the certification category sought;

248 2. Demonstrates a combination of postsecondary education 249 in the field of construction or a related field and experience 250 which totals <u>3</u> 4 years, with at least 1 year of such total being 251 experience in construction, building code inspection, or plans 252 review;

3. Demonstrates a combination of technical education in the field of construction or a related field and experience which totals <u>3</u> 4 years, with at least 1 year of such total being experience in construction, building code inspection, or plans review;

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258 Currently holds a standard certificate issued by the 4. 259 board or a firesafety inspector license issued pursuant to 260 chapter 633, with has a minimum of 3 years' verifiable full-time 261 experience in firesafety inspection or firesafety plan review, 262 and has satisfactorily completed a building code inspector or 263 plans examiner training program that provides at least 100 hours but not more than 200 hours of cross-training in the 264 265 certification category sought. The board shall establish by rule criteria for the development and implementation of the training 266 programs. The board shall accept all classroom training offered 267 by an approved provider if the content substantially meets the 268 269 intent of the classroom component of the training program;

270 5. Demonstrates a combination of the completion of an 271 approved training program in the field of building code 272 inspection or plan review and a minimum of 2 years' experience 273 in the field of building code inspection, plan review, fire code 274 inspections and fire plans review of new buildings as a firesafety inspector certified under s. 633.216, or 275 276 construction. The approved training portion of this requirement 277 shall include proof of satisfactory completion of a training 278 program that provides at least 200 hours but not more than 300 279 hours of cross-training that is approved by the board in the chosen category of building code inspection or plan review in 280 the certification category sought with at least 20 hours but not 281 more than 30 hours of instruction in state laws, rules, and 282 672911

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283 ethics relating to professional standards of practice, duties, 284 and responsibilities of a certificateholder. The board shall 285 coordinate with the Building Officials Association of Florida, 286 Inc., to establish by rule the development and implementation of 287 the training program. However, the board shall accept all 288 classroom training offered by an approved provider if the 289 content substantially meets the intent of the classroom 290 component of the training program;

Currently holds a standard certificate issued by the
board or a firesafety inspector license issued pursuant to
chapter 633 and:

a. Has at least $4 \Rightarrow$ years' verifiable full-time experience as an inspector or plans examiner in a standard certification category currently held or has a minimum of $4 \Rightarrow$ years' verifiable full-time experience as a firesafety inspector licensed pursuant to chapter 633.

299 b. Has satisfactorily completed a building code inspector 300 or plans examiner classroom training course or program that 301 provides at least 200 but not more than 300 hours in the 302 certification category sought, except for one-family and two-303 family dwelling training programs, which must provide at least 304 500 but not more than 800 hours of training as prescribed by the board. The board shall establish by rule criteria for the 305 development and implementation of classroom training courses and 306 307 programs in each certification category; or

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308 7.a. Has completed a 4-year internship certification 309 program as a building code inspector or plans examiner while 310 employed full-time by a municipality, county, or other governmental jurisdiction, under the direct supervision of a 311 312 certified building official. Proof of graduation with a related 313 vocational degree or college degree or of verifiable work experience may be exchanged for the internship experience 314 315 requirement year-for-year, but may reduce the requirement to no less than 1 year. 316

b. Has passed an examination administered by the
International Code Council in the certification category sought.
Such examination must be passed before beginning the internship
certification program.

321 c. Has passed the principles and practice examination322 before completing the internship certification program.

d. Has passed a board-approved 40-hour code training
course in the certification category sought before completing
the internship certification program.

e. Has obtained a favorable recommendation from the
 supervising building official after completion of the internship
 certification program.

(7) (a) The board shall provide for the issuance of provisional certificates valid for <u>2 years</u> 1 year, as specified by board rule, to any building code inspector or plans examiner who meets the eligibility requirements described in subsection 672911

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(2) and any newly employed or promoted building code administrator who meets the eligibility requirements described in subsection (3). The provisional license may be renewed by the board for just cause; however, a provisional license is not valid for longer than 3 years.

338 Section 24. Section 468.613, Florida Statutes, is amended 339 to read:

340 468.613 Certification by endorsement.-The board shall examine other certification or training programs, as applicable, 341 342 upon submission to the board for its consideration of an 343 application for certification by endorsement. The board shall 344 waive its examination, qualification, education, or training requirements, to the extent that such examination, 345 346 qualification, education, or training requirements of the 347 applicant are determined by the board to be comparable with 348 those established by the board. The board shall waive its 349 examination, qualification, education, or training requirements 350 if an applicant for certification by endorsement is at least 18 351 years of age; is of good moral character; has held a valid 352 building administrator, inspector, plans examiner, or the 353 equivalent, certification issued by another state or territory 354 of the United States for at least 10 years before the date of 355 application; and has successfully passed an applicable 356 examination administered by the International Codes Council. Such application must be submitted to the board while the 357 672911

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358 applicant holds a valid license in another state or territory or 359 within 2 years after the expiration of such license. 360 Section 25. Subsection (3) of section 468.8314, Florida 361 Statutes, is amended to read: 362 468.8314 Licensure.-363 The department shall certify as qualified for a (3) 364 license by endorsement an applicant who is of good moral character as determined in s. 468.8313, who maintains an 365 366 insurance policy as required by s. 468.8322, and who:+ 367 (a) Holds a valid license to practice home inspection 368 services in another state or territory of the United States, 369 whose educational requirements are substantially equivalent to 370 those required by this part; and has passed a national, 371 regional, state, or territorial licensing examination that is 372 substantially equivalent to the examination required by this 373 part; or 374 (b) Has held a valid license to practice home inspection 375 services issued by another state or territory of the United 376 States for at least 10 years before the date of application. 377 Such application must be submitted to the department while the 378 applicant holds a valid license in another state or territory or 379 within 2 years after the expiration of such license. Section 26. Subsection (5) of section 471.015, Florida 380 Statutes, is amended to read: 381 471.015 Licensure.-382 672911

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(5) (a) The board shall deem that an applicant who seeks licensure by endorsement has passed an examination substantially equivalent to the fundamentals examination when such applicant has held a valid professional engineer's license in another state for <u>10</u> 15 years and has had 20 years of continuous professional-level engineering experience.

(b) The board shall deem that an applicant who seeks licensure by endorsement has passed an examination substantially equivalent to the fundamentals examination and the principles and practices examination when such applicant has held a valid professional engineer's license in another state for <u>15</u> 25 years and has had 30 years of continuous professional-level

395 engineering experience.

396 Section 27. Subsection (7) of section 473.308, Florida 397 Statutes, is amended to read:

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473.308 Licensure.-

399 (7) The board shall certify as qualified for a license by 400 endorsement an applicant who:

(a) 1. Is not licensed and has not been licensed in another state or territory and who has met the requirements of this section for education, work experience, and good moral character and has passed a national, regional, state, or territorial licensing examination that is substantially equivalent to the examination required by s. 473.306; or and

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407 2. Has completed such continuing education courses as the 408 board deems appropriate, within the limits for each applicable 409 2-year period as set forth in s. 473.312, but at least such 410 courses as are equivalent to the continuing education 411 requirements for a Florida certified public accountant licensed 412 in this state during the 2 years immediately preceding her or 413 his application for licensure by endorsement; or

(b)1.a. Holds a valid license to practice public
accounting issued by another state or territory of the United
States, if the criteria for issuance of such license were
substantially equivalent to the licensure criteria that existed
in this state at the time the license was issued;

419 2.b. Holds a valid license to practice public accounting 420 issued by another state or territory of the United States but the criteria for issuance of such license did not meet the 421 422 requirements of subparagraph 1. sub-subparagraph a.; has met the 423 requirements of this section for education, work experience, and 424 good moral character; and has passed a national, regional, 425 state, or territorial licensing examination that is 426 substantially equivalent to the examination required by s. 473.306; or 427

428 <u>3.c.</u> Holds a valid license to practice public accounting 429 issued by another state or territory of the United States for at 430 least 10 years before the date of application; has passed a 431 national, regional, state, or territorial licensing examination 672911

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432 that is substantially equivalent to the examination required by 433 s. 473.306; and has met the requirements of this section for 434 good moral character.; and 435 2. Has completed continuing education courses that are 436 equivalent to the continuing education requirements for a 437 Florida certified public accountant licensed in this state during the 2 years immediately preceding her or his application 438 for licensure by endorsement. 439 440 Section 28. Subsection (6) of section 474.202, Florida 441 Statutes, is amended to read: 442 474.202 Definitions.-As used in this chapter: 443 (6) "Limited-service veterinary medical practice" means 444 offering or providing veterinary services at any location that 445 has a primary purpose other than that of providing veterinary 446 medical service at a permanent or mobile establishment permitted 447 by the board; provides veterinary medical services for privately 448 owned animals that do not reside at that location; operates for 449 a limited time; and provides limited types of veterinary medical 450 services, including vaccinations or immunizations against 451 disease, preventative procedures for parasitic control, and 452 microchip implantation. 453 Section 29. Subsection (9) is added to section 474.203, 454 Florida Statutes, to read: 455 474.203 Exemptions.-This chapter does not apply to:

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456	(9) An employee, agent, or contractor of a public or
457	private animal shelter, humane organization, or animal control
458	agency operated by a humane organization or by a county,
459	municipality, or other incorporated political subdivision whose
460	work is confined solely to the implantation of a radio frequency
461	identification device microchip for dogs and cats in accordance
462	with s. 823.15.
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464	For the purposes of chapters 465 and 893, persons exempt
465	pursuant to subsection (1), subsection (2), or subsection (4)
466	are deemed to be duly licensed practitioners authorized by the
467	laws of this state to prescribe drugs or medicinal supplies.
468	Section 30. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section
469	474.207, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
470	474.207 Licensure by examination
471	(2) The department shall license each applicant who the
472	board certifies has:
473	(b)1. Graduated from a college of veterinary medicine
474	accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association
475	Council on Education; or
476	2. Graduated from a college of veterinary medicine listed
477	in the American Veterinary Medical Association Roster of
478	Veterinary Colleges of the World and obtained a certificate from
479	the Education Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates <u>or the</u>
480	Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence.
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482	The department shall not issue a license to any applicant who is
483	under investigation in any state or territory of the United
484	States or in the District of Columbia for an act which would
485	constitute a violation of this chapter until the investigation
486	is complete and disciplinary proceedings have been terminated,
487	at which time the provisions of s. 474.214 shall apply.
488	Section 31. Subsection (1) of section 474.217, Florida
489	Statutes, is amended to read:
490	474.217 Licensure by endorsement
491	(1) The department shall issue a license by endorsement to
492	any applicant who, upon applying to the department and remitting
493	a fee set by the board, demonstrates to the board that she or
494	he:
495	(a) Has demonstrated, in a manner designated by rule of
496	the board, knowledge of the laws and rules governing the
497	practice of veterinary medicine in this state; and
498	(b)1. Either Holds, and has held for the 3 years
499	immediately preceding the application for licensure, a valid,
500	active license to practice veterinary medicine in another state
501	of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a territory
502	of the United States, provided that the <u>applicant has</u>
503	successfully completed a state, regional, national, or other
504	examination that is equivalent to or more stringent than the
505	examination required by the board requirements for licensure in
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506	the issuing state, district, or territory are equivalent to or
507	more stringent than the requirements of this chapter; or
508	2. Meets the qualifications of s. 474.207(2)(b) and has
509	successfully completed a state, regional, national, or other
510	examination which is equivalent to or more stringent than the
511	examination given by the department and has passed the board's
512	clinical competency examination or another clinical competency
513	examination specified by rule of the board.
514	Section 32. Effective January 1, 2021, subsection (2) of
515	section 476.114, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
516	476.114 Examination; prerequisites
517	(2) An applicant shall be eligible for licensure by
518	examination to practice barbering if the applicant:
519	(a) Is at least 16 years of age;
520	(b) Pays the required application fee; and
521	(c)1. Holds an active valid license to practice barbering
522	in another state, has held the license for at least 1 year, and
523	does not qualify for licensure by endorsement as provided for in
524	s. 476.144(5); or
525	2. Has received a minimum of $900 \ 1,200$ hours of training
526	in sanitation, safety, and laws and rules, as established by the
527	board, which shall include, but shall not be limited to, the
528	equivalent of completion of services directly related to the
529	practice of barbering at one of the following:
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530 A school of barbering licensed pursuant to chapter a. 531 1005; 532 b. A barbering program within the public school system; or с. 533 A government-operated barbering program in this state. 534 535 The board shall establish by rule procedures whereby the school or program may certify that a person is qualified to take the 536 required examination after the completion of a minimum of 600 537 1,000 actual school hours. If the person passes the examination, 538 539 she or he shall have satisfied this requirement; but if the 540 person fails the examination, she or he shall not be qualified 541 to take the examination again until the completion of the full requirements provided by this section. 542 Section 33. Subsection (5) of section 476.144, Florida 543 544 Statutes, is amended to read: 545 476.144 Licensure.-546 (5) The board shall certify as qualified for licensure by 547 endorsement as a barber in this state an applicant who holds a 548 current active license to practice barbering in another state. 549 The board shall adopt rules specifying procedures for the 550 licensure by endorsement of practitioners desiring to be 551 licensed in this state who hold a current active license in 552 another state or country and who have met qualifications 553 substantially similar to, equivalent to, or greater than the qualifications required of applicants from this state. 554 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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555	Section 34. Subsection (9) of section 477.013, Florida
556	Statutes, is amended to read:
557	477.013 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:
558	(9) "Hair braiding" means the weaving or interweaving of
559	natural human hair <u>or commercial hair, including the use of hair</u>
560	extensions or wefts, for compensation without cutting, coloring,
561	permanent waving, relaxing, removing, or chemical treatment and
562	does not include the use of hair extensions or wefts.
563	Section 35. Section 477.0132, Florida Statutes, is
564	repealed.
565	Section 36. Subsections (7) through (11) are added to
566	section 477.0135, Florida Statutes, to read:
567	477.0135 Exemptions
568	(7) A license or registration is not required for a person
569	whose occupation or practice is confined solely to hair braiding
570	as defined in s. 477.013(9).
571	(8) A license or registration is not required for a person
572	whose occupation or practice is confined solely to hair wrapping
573	as defined in s. 477.013(10).
574	(9) A license or registration is not required for a person
575	whose occupation or practice is confined solely to body wrapping
576	<u>as defined in s. 477.013(12).</u>
577	(10) A license or registration is not required for a
578	person whose occupation or practice is confined solely to
579	applying polish to fingernails and toenails.
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580 (11) A license or registration is not required for a 581 person whose occupation or practice is confined solely to makeup 582 application, which includes, but is not limited to, application 583 of makeup primer, face paint, lipstick, eyeliner, eye shadow, 584 foundation, rouge or cheek color, mascara, strip lashes, 585 individual lashes, face powder, corrective stick, and makeup remover; but does not include manual or chemical exfoliation, 586 semi-permanent lash application, lash or brow tinting, or hair 587 588 removal. 589 Section 37. Subsections (6) and (7) of section 477.019, 590 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 591 477.019 Cosmetologists; gualifications; licensure; 592 supervised practice; license renewal; endorsement; continuing 593 education.-594 (6) The board shall certify as qualified for licensure by 595 endorsement as a cosmetologist in this state an applicant who 596 holds a current active license to practice cosmetology in 597 another state. The board may not require proof of educational 598 hours if the license was issued in a state that requires 1,200 599 or more hours of prelicensure education and passage of a written 600 examination. This subsection does not apply to applicants who 601 received their license in another state through an 602 apprenticeship program. 603 (7) (a) The board shall prescribe by rule continuing 604 education requirements intended to ensure protection of the 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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605 public through updated training of licensees and registered 606 specialists, not to exceed 10 16 hours biennially, as a condition for renewal of a license or registration as a 607 608 specialist under this chapter. Continuing education courses 609 shall include, but not be limited to, the following subjects as 610 they relate to the practice of cosmetology: human 611 immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome; Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations; 612 workers' compensation issues; state and federal laws and rules 613 as they pertain to cosmetologists, cosmetology, salons, 614 615 specialists, specialty salons, and booth renters; chemical 616 makeup as it pertains to hair, skin, and nails; and 617 environmental issues. Courses given at cosmetology conferences 618 may be counted toward the number of continuing education hours 619 required if approved by the board.

620 (b) Any person whose occupation or practice is confined
 621 solely to hair braiding, hair wrapping, or body wrapping is
 622 exempt from the continuing education requirements of this
 623 subsection.

624 <u>(b)(c)</u> The board may, by rule, require any licensee in 625 violation of a continuing education requirement to take a 626 refresher course or refresher course and examination in addition 627 to any other penalty. The number of hours for the refresher 628 course may not exceed 48 hours.

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629	Section 38. Effective January 1, 2021, subsection (1) of
630	section 477.0201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
631	477.0201 Specialty registration; qualifications;
632	registration renewal; endorsement
633	(1) Any person is qualified for registration as a
634	specialist in any one or more of the specialty <u>practice</u>
635	practices within the practice of cosmetology under this chapter
636	who:
637	(a) Is at least 16 years of age or has received a high
638	school diploma.
639	(b) Has received a certificate of completion <u>for: in a</u>
640	1. 180 hours of training, as established by the board,
641	which shall focus primarily on sanitation and safety, to
642	practice specialties as defined in s. 477.013(6)(a) and (b);
643	specialty pursuant to s. 477.013(6)
644	2. 220 hours of training, as established by the board,
645	which shall focus primarily on sanitation and safety, to
646	practice the specialty as defined in s. 477.013(6)(c); or
647	3. 400 hours of training or the number of hours of
648	training required to maintain minimum Pell Grant requirements,
649	as established by the board, which shall focus primarily on
650	sanitation and safety, to practice the specialties as defined in
651	<u>s. 477.013(6).</u>
652	(c) The certificate of completion specified in paragraph
653	(b) must be from one of the following:
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654 A school licensed pursuant to s. 477.023. 1. 655 A school licensed pursuant to chapter 1005 or the 2. 656 equivalent licensing authority of another state. 657 3. A specialty program within the public school system. 658 4. A specialty division within the Cosmetology Division of 659 the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, provided the training programs comply with minimum curriculum requirements 660 established by the board. 661 Section 39. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 662 477.026, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 663 664 477.026 Fees; disposition.-665 (1)The board shall set fees according to the following 666 schedule: 667 (f) For hair braiders, hair wrappers, and body wrappers, 668 fees for registration shall not exceed \$25. 669 Section 40. Subsection (4) of section 477.0263, Florida 670 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (5) is added to that section, to read: 671 672 477.0263 Cosmetology services to be performed in licensed 673 salon; exceptions.-674 (4) Pursuant to rules adopted by the board, any 675 cosmetology or specialty service may be performed in a location other than a licensed salon when the service is performed in 676 connection with a special event and is performed by a person who 677 is employed by a licensed salon and who holds the proper license 678 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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679 or specialty registration. An appointment for the performance o	→£
680 any such service in a location other than a licensed salon must	-
681 be made through a licensed salon.	
682 (5) Any person who holds the proper license may perform	
683 hair shampooing, hair cutting, hair arranging, nail polish	
684 removal, nail filing, nail buffing, and nail cleansing services	5
685 in a location other than a licensed salon.	
686 Section 41. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section	
687 477.0265, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:	
688 477.0265 Prohibited acts	
689 (1) It is unlawful for any person to:	
690 (f) Advertise or imply that skin care services or body	
691 wrapping, as performed under this chapter, have any relationshi	.p
692 to the practice of massage therapy as defined in s. 480.033(3),	
693 except those practices or activities defined in s. 477.013.	
694 Section 42. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section	
695 477.029, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:	
696 477.029 Penalty	
697 (1) It is unlawful for any person to:	
698 (a) Hold himself or herself out as a cosmetologist $\underline{\text{or}}_{\boldsymbol{\tau}}$	
699 specialist, hair wrapper, hair braider, or body wrapper unless	
700 duly licensed or registered, or otherwise authorized, as	
701 provided in this chapter.	
702 Section 43. Section 481.201, Florida Statutes, is amended	l
703 to read:	
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704 481.201 Purpose.-The primary legislative purpose for 705 enacting this part is to ensure that every architect practicing 706 in this state meets minimum requirements for safe practice. It 707 is the legislative intent that architects who fall below minimum 708 competency or who otherwise present a danger to the public shall 709 be prohibited from practicing in this state. The Legislature further finds that it is in the interest of the public to limit 710 the practice of interior design to interior designers or 711 architects who have the design education and training required 712 713 by this part or to persons who are exempted from the provisions 714 of this part.

715 Section 44. Section 481.203, Florida Statutes, is amended 716 to read:

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481.203 Definitions.-As used in this part, the term:

718 <u>(1)(3)</u> "Architect" or "registered architect" means a 719 natural person who is licensed under this part to engage in the 720 practice of architecture.

(2) (6) "Architecture" means the rendering or offering to 721 722 render services in connection with the design and construction 723 of a structure or group of structures which have as their 724 principal purpose human habitation or use, and the utilization 725 of space within and surrounding such structures. These services include planning, providing preliminary study designs, drawings 726 727 and specifications, job-site inspection, and administration of construction contracts. 728

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729 (3) (1) "Board" means the Board of Architecture and 730 Interior Design. 731 (4) "Business organization" means a partnership, a limited liability company, a corporation, or an individual operating 732 733 under a fictitious name. 734 (5) "Certificate of authorization" means a certificate 735 issued by the department to a corporation or partnership to 736 practice architecture or interior design. 737 (5) (4) "Certificate of registration" means a license 738 issued by the department to a natural person to engage in the 739 practice of architecture or interior design. 740 (6) (13) "Common area" means an area that is held out for 741 use by all tenants or owners in a multiple-unit dwelling, 742 including, but not limited to, a lobby, elevator, hallway, 743 laundry room, clubhouse, or swimming pool. 744 (7) (2) "Department" means the Department of Business and 745 Professional Regulation. 746 (8) (14) "Diversified interior design experience" means 747 experience which substantially encompasses the various elements of interior design services set forth under the definition of 748 749 "interior design" in subsection (10) (8). 750 (9) (15) "Interior decorator services" includes the 751 selection or assistance in selection of surface materials, 752 window treatments, wallcoverings, paint, floor coverings, surface-mounted lighting, surface-mounted fixtures, and loose 753 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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754 furnishings not subject to regulation under applicable building 755 codes.

756 (10) (8) "Interior design" means designs, consultations, 757 studies, drawings, specifications, and administration of design 758 construction contracts relating to nonstructural interior 759 elements of a building or structure. "Interior design" includes, but is not limited to, reflected ceiling plans, space planning, 760 furnishings, and the fabrication of nonstructural elements 761 762 within and surrounding interior spaces of buildings. "Interior 763 design" specifically excludes the design of or the 764 responsibility for architectural and engineering work, except 765 for specification of fixtures and their location within interior 766 spaces. As used in this subsection, "architectural and engineering interior construction relating to the building 767 768 systems" includes, but is not limited to, construction of 769 structural, mechanical, plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, 770 ventilating, electrical, or vertical transportation systems, or construction which materially affects lifesafety systems 771 772 pertaining to firesafety protection such as fire-rated separations between interior spaces, fire-rated vertical shafts 773 774 in multistory structures, fire-rated protection of structural 775 elements, smoke evacuation and compartmentalization, emergency 776 ingress or egress systems, and emergency alarm systems.

777 (11)(10) "Nonstructural element" means an element which 778 does not require structural bracing and which is something other 672911

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779 than a load-bearing wall, load-bearing column, or other load-780 bearing element of a building or structure which is essential to 781 the structural integrity of the building.

782 <u>(12)(11)</u> "Reflected ceiling plan" means a ceiling design 783 plan which is laid out as if it were projected downward and 784 which may include lighting and other elements.

785 <u>(13)(9)</u> "Registered interior designer" or "interior 786 designer" means a natural person who <u>holds a valid certificate</u> 787 <u>of registration to practice interior design</u> is licensed under 788 this part.

789 <u>(14) (16)</u> "Responsible supervising control" means the 790 exercise of direct personal supervision and control throughout 791 the preparation of documents, instruments of service, or any 792 other work requiring the seal and signature of a licensee under 793 this part.

794 <u>(15) (12)</u> "Space planning" means the analysis, programming, 795 or design of spatial requirements, including preliminary space 796 layouts and final planning.

797 <u>(16)(7)</u> "Townhouse" is a single-family dwelling unit not 798 exceeding three stories in height which is constructed in a 799 series or group of attached units with property lines separating 800 such units. Each townhouse shall be considered a separate 801 building and shall be separated from adjoining townhouses by the 802 use of separate exterior walls meeting the requirements for zero 803 clearance from property lines as required by the type of

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804 construction and fire protection requirements; or shall be 805 separated by a party wall; or may be separated by a single wall 806 meeting the following requirements:

(a) Such wall shall provide not less than 2 hours of fire
resistance. Plumbing, piping, ducts, or electrical or other
building services shall not be installed within or through the
2-hour wall unless such materials and methods of penetration
have been tested in accordance with the Standard Building Code.

(b) Such wall shall extend from the foundation to the underside of the roof sheathing, and the underside of the roof shall have at least 1 hour of fire resistance for a width not less than 4 feet on each side of the wall.

816 (c) Each dwelling unit sharing such wall shall be designed
817 and constructed to maintain its structural integrity independent
818 of the unit on the opposite side of the wall.

819 Section 45. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 820 481.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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481.205 Board of Architecture and Interior Design.-

(3) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of ss. 455.225,
455.228, and 455.32, the duties and authority of the department
to receive complaints and investigate and discipline persons
licensed <u>or registered</u> under this part, including the ability to
determine legal sufficiency and probable cause; to initiate
proceedings and issue final orders for summary suspension or
restriction of a license <u>or certificate of registration</u> pursuant

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829 to s. 120.60(6); to issue notices of noncompliance, notices to 830 cease and desist, subpoenas, and citations; to retain legal 831 counsel, investigators, or prosecutorial staff in connection 832 with the licensed practice of architecture or registered and 833 interior design; and to investigate and deter the unlicensed 834 practice of architecture and interior design as provided in s. 835 455.228 are delegated to the board. All complaints and any 836 information obtained pursuant to an investigation authorized by the board are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) as 837 provided in s. 455.225(2) and (10). 838

839 Section 46. Section 481.207, Florida Statutes, is amended 840 to read:

481.207 Fees.-The board, by rule, may establish separate 841 842 fees for architects and registered interior designers, to be 843 paid for applications, examination, reexamination, licensing and 844 renewal, delinquency, reinstatement, and recordmaking and 845 recordkeeping. The examination fee shall be in an amount that covers the cost of obtaining and administering the examination 846 847 and shall be refunded if the applicant is found ineligible to 848 sit for the examination. The application fee is nonrefundable. 849 The fee for initial application and examination for architects 850 and interior designers may not exceed \$775 plus the actual per applicant cost to the department for purchase of the examination 851 852 from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards 853 or the National Council of Interior Design Qualifications,

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854 respectively, or similar national organizations. The initial 855 nonrefundable fee for registered interior designers may not 856 exceed \$75. The biennial renewal fee for architects may not 857 exceed \$200. The biennial renewal fee for registered interior 858 designers may not exceed \$75 \$500. The delinquency fee may not 859 exceed the biennial renewal fee established by the board for an 860 active license. The board shall establish fees that are adequate 861 to ensure the continued operation of the board and to fund the proportionate expenses incurred by the department which are 862 allocated to the regulation of architects and registered 863 864 interior designers. Fees shall be based on department estimates 865 of the revenue required to implement this part and the 866 provisions of law with respect to the regulation of architects 867 and interior designers.

868 Section 47. Section 481.209, Florida Statutes, is amended 869 to read:

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481.209 Examinations.-

(1) A person desiring to be licensed as a registered architect by initial examination shall apply to the department, complete the application form, and remit a nonrefundable application fee. The department shall license any applicant who the board certifies:

876 (a) has passed the licensure examination prescribed by
 877 board rule; and

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878 (b) is a graduate of a school or college of architecture 879 with a program accredited by the National Architectural 880 Accreditation Board. 881 (2) A person seeking to obtain a certificate of 882 registration as a registered interior designer and a seal 883 pursuant to s. 481.221 must provide the department with his or 884 her name and address and written proof that he or she has successfully passed the qualification examination prescribed by 885 886 the Council for Interior Design Qualification or its successor 887 entity or the California Council for Interior Design 888 Certification or its successor entity, or has successfully 889 passed an equivalent exam as determined by the department. A 890 person who was licensed as an interior designer by the 891 department and who was in good standing as of July 1, 2020, is 892 eligible to obtain a certificate of registration as a registered 893 interior designer. desiring to be licensed as a registered 894 interior designer shall apply to the department for licensure. 895 The department shall administer the licensure examination for 896 interior designers to each applicant who has completed the 897 application form and remitted the application and examination 898 fees specified in s. 481.207 and who the board certifies: 899 (a) Is a graduate from an interior design program of 5 900 years or more and has completed 1 year of diversified interior design experience; 901

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902	(b) Is a graduate from an interior design program of 4
903	years or more and has completed 2 years of diversified interior
904	design experience;
905	(c) Has completed at least 3 years in an interior design
906	curriculum and has completed 3 years of diversified interior
907	design experience; or
908	(d) Is a graduate from an interior design program of at
909	least 2 years and has completed 4 years of diversified interior
910	design experience.
911	Subsequent to October 1, 2000, for the purpose of having the
912	educational qualification required under this subsection
913	accepted by the board, the applicant must complete his or her
914	education at a program, school, or college of interior design
915	whose curriculum has been approved by the board as of the time
916	of completion. Subsequent to October 1, 2003, all of the
917	required amount of educational credits shall have been obtained
918	in a program, school, or college of interior design whose
919	curriculum has been approved by the board, as of the time each
920	educational credit is gained. The board shall adopt rules
921	providing for the review and approval of programs, schools, and
922	colleges of interior design and courses of interior design study
923	based on a review and inspection by the board of the curriculum
924	of programs, schools, and colleges of interior design in the
925	United States, including those programs, schools, and colleges
926	accredited by the Foundation for Interior Design Education
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927 Research. The board shall adopt rules providing for the review 928 and approval of diversified interior design experience required 929 by this subsection. Section 48. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section 930 931 481.213, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (8) is added to that section, to read: 932 933 481.213 Licensure and registration.-934 The department shall license or register any applicant (1)who the board certifies is qualified for licensure or 935 936 registration and who has paid the initial licensure or 937 registration fee. Licensure as an architect under this section 938 shall be deemed to include all the rights and privileges of 939 registration licensure as an interior designer under this 940 section. 941 The board shall certify for licensure or registration (2)942 by examination any applicant who passes the prescribed licensure 943 or registration examination and satisfies the requirements of 944 ss. 481.209 and 481.211, for architects, or the requirements of 945 s. 481.209, for interior designers. 946 The board shall certify as qualified for a license by (3) 947 endorsement as an architect or registration as a registered an 948 interior designer an applicant who: Qualifies to take the prescribed licensure or 949 (a) 950 registration examination, and has passed the prescribed licensure or registration examination or a substantially 951 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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952 equivalent examination in another jurisdiction, as set forth in 953 s. 481.209 for architects or <u>registered</u> interior designers, as 954 applicable, and has satisfied the internship requirements set 955 forth in s. 481.211 for architects;

956 (b) Holds a valid license to practice architecture or a 957 license, registration, or certification to practice interior design issued by another jurisdiction of the United States, if 958 959 the criteria for issuance of such license were substantially 960 equivalent to the licensure criteria that existed in this state 961 at the time the license was issued; provided, however, that an 962 applicant who has been licensed for use of the title "interior 963 design" rather than licensed to practice interior design shall 964 not qualify hereunder; or

965 (c) Has passed the prescribed licensure examination and 966 holds a valid certificate issued by the National Council of 967 Architectural Registration Boards, and holds a valid license to 968 practice architecture issued by another state or jurisdiction of 969 the United States.

971 <u>An architect who is licensed in another state who seeks</u> 972 <u>qualification for license by endorsement under this subsection</u> 973 <u>must complete a board-approved 2 hour course on wind mitigation</u> 974 <u>under the Florida Building Code.</u>

975 <u>(8) A certificate of registration is not required for a</u> 976 <u>person whose occupation or practice is confined to interior</u> 672911

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977 decorator services or for a person whose occupation or practice is confined to interior design as provided in this part. 978 979 Section 49. Subsection (1) of section 481.2131, Florida 980 Statutes, is amended to read: 981 481.2131 Interior design; practice requirements; disclosure of compensation for professional services.-982 An A registered interior designer may is authorized to 983 (1)perform "interior design" as defined in s. 481.203. Interior 984 design documents prepared by a registered interior designer 985 986 shall contain a statement that the document is not an 987 architectural or engineering study, drawing, specification, or 988 design and is not to be used for construction of any load-989 bearing columns, load-bearing framing or walls of structures, or issuance of any building permit, except as otherwise provided by 990 991 law. Interior design documents that are prepared and sealed by a 992 registered interior designer must may, if required by a 993 permitting body, be accepted by the permitting body be submitted 994 for the issuance of a building permit for interior construction 995 excluding design of any structural, mechanical, plumbing, 996 heating, air-conditioning, ventilating, electrical, or vertical 997 transportation systems or that materially affect lifesafety 998 systems pertaining to firesafety protection such as fire-rated separations between interior spaces, fire-rated vertical shafts 999 in multistory structures, fire-rated protection of structural 1000 elements, smoke evacuation and compartmentalization, emergency 1001 672911

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1002 ingress or egress systems, and emergency alarm systems. If a
1003 permitting body requires sealed interior design documents for
1004 the issuance of a permit, a person performing interior design
1005 services who is not a licensed architect must include a seal
1006 issued by the department and in conformance with the
1007 requirements of s. 481.221.
1008 Section 50. Section 481.215, Florida Statutes, is amended
1009 to read:
1010 481.215 Renewal of license <u>or certificate of</u>
1011 registration
1012 (1) Subject to the requirement of subsection (3), the
1013 department shall renew a license <u>or certificate of registration</u>
1014 upon receipt of the renewal application and renewal fee.
1015 (2) The department shall adopt rules establishing a
1016 procedure for the biennial renewal of licenses or certificates
1017 <u>of registration</u> .
1018 (3) <u>A</u> No license <u>or certificate of registration</u> renewal
1019 <u>may not</u> shall be issued to an architect or <u>a registered</u> an
1020 interior designer by the department until the licensee or
1021 registrant submits proof satisfactory to the department that,
1022 during the 2 years <u>before</u> prior to application for renewal, the
1023 licensee or registrant participated per biennium in not less
1024 than 20 hours of at least 50 minutes each per biennium of
1025 continuing education approved by the board. The board shall
1026 approve only continuing education that builds upon the basic
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1027 knowledge of architecture or interior design. The board may make 1028 exception from the requirements of continuing education in 1029 emergency or hardship cases.

1030 (4) The board shall by rule establish criteria for the
1031 approval of continuing education courses and providers and shall
1032 by rule establish criteria for accepting alternative
1033 nonclassroom continuing education on an hour-for-hour basis.

1034 For a license or certificate of registration, the (5)1035 board shall require, by rule adopted pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) 1036 and 120.54, 2 a specified number of hours in specialized or 1037 advanced courses, approved by the Florida Building Commission, 1038 on any portion of the Florida Building Code, adopted pursuant to part IV of chapter 553, relating to the licensee's respective 1039 1040 area of practice. Such hours count toward the continuing 1041 education hours required under subsection (3). A licensee may 1042 complete the courses required under this subsection online.

1043 Section 51. Section 481.217, Florida Statutes, is amended 1044 to read:

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481.217 Inactive status.-

(1) The board may prescribe by rule continuing education requirements as a condition of reactivating a license. The rules may not require more than one renewal cycle of continuing education to reactivate a license <u>or registration</u> for a registered architect or registered interior designer. For

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1051 interior design, the board may approve only continuing education 1052 that builds upon the basic knowledge of interior design. 1053 (2) The board shall adopt rules relating to application procedures for inactive status and for the reactivation of 1054 1055 inactive licenses or registrations. 1056 Section 52. Section 481.219, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1057 481.219 Qualification of business organizations 1058 certification of partnerships, limited liability companies, and 1059 1060 corporations.-1061 A licensee may The practice of or the offer to (1)1062 practice architecture or interior design by licensees through a 1063 qualified business organization that offers corporation, limited liability company, or partnership offering architectural or 1064 1065 interior design services to the public, or by a corporation, 1066 limited liability company, or partnership offering architectural 1067 or interior design services to the public through licensees 1068 under this part as agents, employees, officers, or partners, is 1069 permitted, subject to the provisions of this section. 1070 If a licensee or an applicant proposes to engage in (2) the practice of architecture as a business organization, the 1071 1072 licensee or applicant shall qualify the business organization 1073 upon approval of the board For the purposes of this section, a 1074 certificate of authorization shall be required for a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or person 1075 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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1076	practicing under a fictitious name, offering architectural
1077	services to the public jointly or separately. However, when an
1078	individual is practicing architecture in her or his own name,
1079	she or he shall not be required to be certified under this
1080	section. Certification under this subsection to offer
1081	architectural services shall include all the rights and
1082	privileges of certification under subsection (3) to offer
1083	interior design services.
1084	(3)(a) A business organization may not engage in the
1085	practice of architecture unless its qualifying agent is a
1086	registered architect under this part. A qualifying agent who
1087	terminates an affiliation with a qualified business organization
1088	shall immediately notify the department of such termination. If
1089	such qualifying agent is the only qualifying agent for that
1090	business organization, the business organization must be
1091	qualified by another qualifying agent within 60 days after the
1092	termination. Except as provided in paragraph (b), the business
1093	organization may not engage in the practice of architecture
1094	until it is qualified by another qualifying agent.
1095	(b) In the event a qualifying agent ceases employment with
1096	a qualified business organization, the executive director or the
1097	chair of the board may authorize another registered architect
1098	employed by the business organization to temporarily serve as
1099	its qualifying agent for a period of no more than 60 days. The
1100	business organization is not authorized to operate beyond such
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1101	period under this chapter absent replacement of the qualifying
1102	agent who has ceased employment.
1103	(c) A qualifying agent shall notify the department in
1104	writing before engaging in the practice of architecture in her
1105	or his own name or in affiliation with a different business
1106	organization, and she or he or such business organization shall
1107	supply the same information to the department as required of
1108	applicants under this part.
1109	(3) For the purposes of this section, a certificate of
1110	authorization shall be required for a corporation, limited
1111	liability company, partnership, or person operating under a
1112	fictitious name, offering interior design services to the public
1113	jointly or separately. However, when an individual is practicing
1114	interior design in her or his own name, she or he shall not be
1115	required to be certified under this section.
1116	(4) All final construction documents and instruments of
1117	service which include drawings, specifications, plans, reports,
1118	or other papers or documents <u>that involve</u> involving the practice
1119	of architecture which are prepared or approved for the use of
1120	the <u>business organization</u> corporation, limited liability
1121	company, or partnership and filed for public record within the
1122	state must shall bear the signature and seal of the licensee who
1123	prepared or approved them and the date on which they were
1124	sealed.

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1125	(5) All drawings, specifications, plans, reports, or other
1126	papers or documents prepared or approved for the use of the
1127	corporation, limited liability company, or partnership by an
1128	interior designer in her or his professional capacity and filed
1129	for public record within the state shall bear the signature and
1130	seal of the licensee who prepared or approved them and the date
1131	on which they were sealed.
1132	(6) The department shall issue a certificate of
1133	authorization to any applicant who the board certifies as
1134	qualified for a certificate of authorization and who has paid
1135	the fee set in s. 481.207.
1136	<u>(5)</u> The board shall <u>allow a licensee or</u> certify an
1137	applicant to qualify one or more business organizations as
1138	qualified for a certificate of authorization to offer
1139	architectural or interior design services, <u>or to use a</u>
1140	fictitious name to offer such services, if provided that:
1141	(a) one or more of the principal officers of the
1142	corporation or limited liability company, or one or more
1143	partners of the partnership, and all personnel of the
1144	corporation, limited liability company, or partnership who act
1145	in its behalf in this state as architects, are registered as
1146	provided by this part <u>.; or</u>
1147	(b) One or more of the principal officers of the
1148	corporation or one or more partners of the partnership, and all
1149	personnel of the corporation, limited liability company, or
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1150 partnership who act in its behalf in this state as interior 1151 designers, are registered as provided by this part. 1152 (8) The department shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the biennial renewal of certificates of 1153 1154 authorization. 1155 (9) The department shall renew a certificate of 1156 authorization upon receipt of the renewal application and biennial renewal fee. 1157 (6) (10) Each qualifying agent who qualifies a business 1158 1159 organization, partnership, limited liability company, or and 1160 corporation certified under this section shall notify the 1161 department within 30 days after of any change in the information contained in the application upon which the qualification 1162 1163 certification is based. Any registered architect or interior 1164 designer who qualifies the business organization shall ensure 1165 corporation, limited liability company, or partnership as 1166 provided in subsection (7) shall be responsible for ensuring responsible supervising control of projects of the business 1167 1168 organization entity and shall notify the department of the upon 1169 termination of her or his employment with a business 1170 organization qualified partnership, limited liability company, 1171 or corporation certified under this section shall notify the 1172 department of the termination within 30 days after such 1173 termination.

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1174 (7) (11) A business organization is not No corporation, limited liability company, or partnership shall be relieved of 1175 1176 responsibility for the conduct or acts of its agents, employees, 1177 or officers by reason of its compliance with this section. 1178 However, except as provided in s. 558.0035, the architect who 1179 signs and seals the construction documents and instruments of 1180 service is shall be liable for the professional services 1181 performed, and the interior designer who signs and seals the 1182 interior design drawings, plans, or specifications shall be liable for the professional services performed. 1183

1184 (12) Disciplinary action against a corporation, limited 1185 liability company, or partnership shall be administered in the 1186 same manner and on the same grounds as disciplinary action 1187 against a registered architect or interior designer, 1188 respectively.

(8) (13) Nothing in This section may not shall be construed 1189 1190 to mean that a certificate of registration to practice 1191 architecture or interior design must shall be held by a business 1192 organization corporation, limited liability company, or 1193 partnership. Nothing in This section does not prohibit a 1194 business organization from offering prohibits corporations, 1195 limited liability companies, and partnerships from joining together to offer architectural, engineering, interior design, 1196 surveying and mapping, and landscape architectural services, or 1197 1198 any combination of such services, to the public if the business 672911

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1199 organization, provided that each corporation, limited liability 1200 company, or partnership otherwise meets the requirements of law. 1201 (14) Corporations, limited liability companies, or partnerships holding a valid certificate of authorization to 1202 1203 practice architecture shall be permitted to use in their title the term "interior designer" or "registered interior designer." 1204 Section 53. Subsections (5) and (10) of section 481.221, 1205 1206 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1207 481.221 Seals; display of certificate number.-1208 (5) A No registered interior designer may not shall affix, 1209 or permit to be affixed, her or his seal or signature to any 1210 plan, specification, drawing, or other document which depicts 1211 work which she or he is not competent or registered licensed to 1212 perform. 1213 (10) Each registered architect must or interior designer, 1214 and each corporation, limited liability company, or partnership 1215 holding a certificate of authorization, shall include her or his license its certificate number in any newspaper, telephone 1216 1217 directory, or other advertising medium used by the registered 1218 licensee. Each business organization must include the license 1219 number of the registered architect who serves as the qualifying 1220 agent for that business organization in any newspaper, telephone 1221 directory, or other advertising medium used by the business organization architect, interior designer, corporation, limited 1222 1223 liability company, or partnership. A corporation, limited 672911

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1224	liability company, or partnership is not required to display the
1225	certificate number of individual registered architects or
1226	interior designers employed by or working within the
1227	corporation, limited liability company, or partnership.
1228	Section 54. Section 481.223, Florida Statutes, is amended
1229	to read:
1230	481.223 Prohibitions; penalties; injunctive relief
1231	(1) A person may not knowingly:
1232	(a) Practice architecture unless the person is an
1233	architect or a registered architect; however, a licensed
1234	architect who has been licensed by the board and who chooses to
1235	relinquish or not to renew his or her license may use the title
1236	"Architect, Retired" but may not otherwise render any
1237	architectural services.
1238	(b) Practice interior design unless the person is a
1239	registered interior designer unless otherwise exempted herein;
1240	however, an interior designer who has been licensed by the board
1241	and who chooses to relinquish or not to renew his or her license
1242	may use the title "Interior Designer, Retired" but may not
1243	otherwise render any interior design services.
1244	<u>(b)</u> Use the name or title "architect <u>,</u> " or "registered
1245	architect," or "interior designer" or "registered interior
1246	designer," or words to that effect, when the person is not then
1247	the holder of a valid license or certificate of registration
1248	issued pursuant to this part. This paragraph does not restrict
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249	the use of the name or title "interior designer" or "interior
.250	design firm."
.251	(c) (d) Present as his or her own the license of another.
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	<u>(d)</u> Give false or forged evidence to the board or a
.253	member thereof.
.254	(e) (f) Use or attempt to use an architect or interior
255	designer license or interior design certificate of registration
.256	that has been suspended, revoked, or placed on inactive or
.257	delinquent status.
258	<u>(f)</u> Employ unlicensed persons to practice architecture
.259	or interior design .
260	<u>(g)</u> (h) Conceal information relative to violations of this
261	part.
262	(2) Any person who violates any provision of subsection
263	(1) commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as
264	provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
265	(3)(a) Notwithstanding chapter 455 or any other law to the
266	contrary, an affected person may maintain an action for
267	injunctive relief to restrain or prevent a person from violating
268	paragraph (1)(a) <u>or</u> , paragraph (1)(b), or paragraph (1)(c). The
269	prevailing party is entitled to actual costs and attorney's
270	fees.
271	(b) For purposes of this subsection, the term "affected
272	person" means a person directly affected by the actions of a
273	person suspected of violating paragraph (1)(a) or τ paragraph
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(1) (b), or paragraph (1) (c) and includes, but is not limited to, the department, any person who received services from the alleged violator, or any private association composed primarily of members of the profession the alleged violator is practicing or offering to practice or holding himself or herself out as qualified to practice.

1280 Section 55. Section 481.2251, Florida Statutes, is amended 1281 to read:

1282 481.2251 Disciplinary proceedings against registered 1283 interior designers.-

1284 (1) The following acts constitute grounds for which the1285 disciplinary actions specified in subsection (2) may be taken:

(a) Attempting to <u>register</u> obtain, obtaining, or renewing
<u>registration</u> by bribery, by fraudulent misrepresentation, or
through an error of the board, a license to practice interior
design;

(b) Having <u>an interior design license, certification, or</u> registration <u>a license to practice interior design</u> revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted against, including the denial of licensure, <u>registration, or certification</u> by the licensing authority of another jurisdiction for any act which would constitute a violation of this part or of chapter 455;

(c) Being convicted or found guilty, regardless of adjudication, of a crime in any jurisdiction which directly relates to the provision of interior design services or to the 672911

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1299 ability to provide interior design services. A plea of nolo 1300 contendere shall create a rebuttable presumption of guilt to the 1301 underlying criminal charges. However, the board shall allow the 1302 person being disciplined to present any evidence relevant to the 1303 underlying charges and the circumstances surrounding her or his 1304 plea;

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(d) False, deceptive, or misleading advertising;

1306 (e) Failing to report to the board any person who the 1307 licensee knows is in violation of this part or the rules of the 1308 board;

1309 (f) Aiding, assisting, procuring, or advising any 1310 unlicensed person to use the title "interior designer" contrary 1311 to this part or to a rule of the board;

1312 (g) Failing to perform any statutory or legal obligation
1313 placed upon a registered interior designer;

1314 <u>(e) (h)</u> Making or filing a report which the <u>registrant</u> 1315 <u>licensee</u> knows to be false, intentionally or negligently failing 1316 to file a report or record required by state or federal law, or 1317 willfully impeding or obstructing such filing or inducing 1318 another person to do so. Such reports or records shall include 1319 only those which are signed in the capacity as a registered 1320 interior designer;

1321 (f) (i) Making deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent 1322 representations in the provision of interior design services;

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1323 (g) (j) Accepting and performing professional 1324 responsibilities which the <u>registrant</u> licensee knows or has 1325 reason to know that she or he is not competent or licensed to 1326 perform;

1327 (k) Violating any provision of this part, any rule of the 1328 board, or a lawful order of the board previously entered in a 1329 disciplinary hearing;

1330 (1) Conspiring with another licensee or with any other 1331 person to commit an act, or committing an act, which would tend 1332 to coerce, intimidate, or preclude another licensee from 1333 lawfully advertising her or his services;

(m) Acceptance of compensation or any consideration by an interior designer from someone other than the client without full disclosure of the compensation or consideration amount or value to the client prior to the engagement for services, in violation of s. 481.2131(2);

1339 (h) (n) Rendering or offering to render architectural 1340 services; or

1341 <u>(i) (o)</u> Committing an act of fraud or deceit, or of 1342 negligence, incompetency, or misconduct, in the practice of 1343 interior design, including, but not limited to, allowing the 1344 preparation of any interior design studies, plans, or other 1345 instruments of service in an office that does not have a full-1346 time Florida-registered interior designer assigned to such

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1347	office or failing to exercise responsible supervisory control
1348	over services or projects, as required by board rule.
1349	(2) When the board finds any person guilty of any of the
1350	grounds set forth in subsection (1), it may enter an order
1351	taking the following action or imposing one or more of the
1352	following penalties:
1353	(a) Refusal to <u>register the applicant</u> approve an
1354	application for licensure;
1355	(b) Refusal to renew an existing <u>registration</u> license ;
1356	(c) <u>Removal from the state registry</u> Revocation or
1357	suspension of a license; or
1358	(d) Imposition of an administrative fine not to exceed
1359	$\frac{500}{100}$ $\frac{1000}{100}$ for each violation or separate offense and a fine of
1360	up to <u>\$2,500</u> \$5,000 for matters pertaining to a material
1361	violation of the Florida Building Code as reported by a local
1362	jurisdiction ; or
1363	(e) Issuance of a reprimand.
1364	Section 56. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) and
1365	subsections (6) and (8) of section 481.229, Florida Statutes,
1366	are amended to read:
1367	481.229 Exceptions; exemptions from licensure
1368	(5)
1369	(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, all
1370	persons licensed as architects under this part shall be
1371	qualified for interior design <u>registration</u> licensure upon
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submission of a completed application for such license and a fee 1372 1373 not to exceed \$30. Such persons shall be exempt from the 1374 requirements of s. 481.209(2). For architects licensed as 1375 interior designers, satisfaction of the requirements for renewal 1376 of licensure as an architect under s. 481.215 shall be deemed to 1377 satisfy the requirements for renewal of registration licensure 1378 as an interior designer under that section. Complaint 1379 processing, investigation, or other discipline-related legal 1380 costs related to persons licensed as interior designers under 1381 this paragraph shall be assessed against the architects' account of the Regulatory Trust Fund. 1382

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(6) This part does shall not apply to:

1384 A person who performs interior design services or (a) 1385 interior decorator services for any residential application τ 1386 provided that such person does not advertise as, or represent 1387 himself or herself as, an interior designer. For purposes of 1388 this paragraph, "residential applications" includes all types of 1.389 residences, including, but not limited to, residence buildings, 1390 single-family homes, multifamily homes, townhouses, apartments, 1391 condominiums, and domestic outbuildings appurtenant to onefamily or two-family residences. However, "residential 1392 1393 applications" does not include common areas associated with 1394 instances of multiple-unit dwelling applications.

1395 (b) An employee of a retail establishment providing 1396 "interior decorator services" on the premises of the retail 672911

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establishment or in the furtherance of a retail sale or prospective retail sale, provided that such employee does not advertise as, or represent himself or herself as, <u>a registered</u> an interior designer.

1401 (8) A manufacturer of commercial food service equipment or 1402 the manufacturer's representative, distributor, or dealer or an 1403 employee thereof, who prepares designs, specifications, or 1404 layouts for the sale or installation of such equipment is exempt 1405 from licensure as an architect or <u>registration as an</u> interior 1406 designer, if:

(a) The designs, specifications, or layouts are not used
for construction or installation that may affect structural,
mechanical, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, ventilating,
electrical, or vertical transportation systems.

(b) The designs, specifications, or layouts do not materially affect lifesafety systems pertaining to firesafety protection, smoke evacuation and compartmentalization, and emergency ingress or egress systems.

1415 (c) Each design, specification, or layout document 1416 prepared by a person or entity exempt under this subsection 1417 contains a statement on each page of the document that the 1418 designs, specifications, or layouts are not architectural τ 1419 interior design, or engineering designs, specifications, or 1420 layouts and not used for construction unless reviewed and 1421 approved by a licensed architect or engineer.

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1422 Section 57. Subsection (1) of section 481.231, Florida 1423 Statutes, is amended to read:

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481.231 Effect of part locally.-

1425 Nothing in This part does not shall be construed to (1)1426 repeal, amend, limit, or otherwise affect any specific provision 1427 of any local building code or zoning law or ordinance that has 1428 been duly adopted, now or hereafter enacted, which is more 1429 restrictive, with respect to the services of registered 1430 architects or registered interior designers, than the provisions of this part; provided, however, that a licensed architect shall 1431 1432 be deemed registered licensed as an interior designer for 1433 purposes of offering or rendering interior design services to a county, municipality, or other local government or political 1434 1435 subdivision.

1436 Section 58. Section 481.303, Florida Statutes, is amended 1437 to read:

1438 1439 481.303 Definitions.-As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) "Board" means the Board of Landscape Architecture.

1440 (2) (4) "Certificate of registration" means a license 1441 issued by the department to a natural person to engage in the 1442 practice of landscape architecture.

1443 <u>(3)-(2)</u> "Department" means the Department of Business and 1444 Professional Regulation.

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1445	(5) "Certificate of authorization" means a license issued
1446	by the department to a corporation or partnership to engage in
1447	the practice of landscape architecture.
1448	(4) (6) "Landscape architecture" means professional
1449	services, including, but not limited to, the following:
1450	(a) Consultation, investigation, research, planning,
1451	design, preparation of drawings, specifications, contract
1452	documents and reports, responsible construction supervision, or
1453	landscape management in connection with the planning and
1454	development of land and incidental water areas, including the
1455	use of Florida-friendly landscaping as defined in s. 373.185,
1456	where, and to the extent that, the dominant purpose of such
1457	services or creative works is the preservation, conservation,
1458	enhancement, or determination of proper land uses, natural land
1459	features, ground cover and plantings, or naturalistic and
1460	aesthetic values;
1461	(b) The determination of settings, grounds, and approaches
1462	for and the siting of buildings and structures, outdoor areas,
1463	or other improvements;
1464	(c) The setting of grades, shaping and contouring of land
1465	and water forms, determination of drainage, and provision for
1466	storm drainage and irrigation systems where such systems are
1467	necessary to the purposes outlined herein; and
1468	(d) The design of such tangible objects and features as
1469	are necessary to the purpose outlined herein.
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1470 (5) (7) "Landscape design" means consultation for and preparation of planting plans drawn for compensation, including 1471 1472 specifications and installation details for plant materials, 1473 soil amendments, mulches, edging, gravel, and other similar 1474 materials. Such plans may include only recommendations for the 1475 conceptual placement of tangible objects for landscape design 1476 projects. Construction documents, details, and specifications 1477 for tangible objects and irrigation systems shall be designed or 1478 approved by licensed professionals as required by law. 1479 (6) (3) "Registered landscape architect" means a person who holds a license to practice landscape architecture in this state 1480 1481 under the authority of this act. Section 59. Section 481.310, Florida Statutes, is amended 1482 1483 to read: 481.310 Practical experience requirement.-Beginning 1484 1485 October 1, 1990, every applicant for licensure as a registered 1486 landscape architect shall demonstrate, before prior to 1487 licensure, 1 year of practical experience in landscape 1488 architectural work. An applicant who holds both a bachelor's 1489 degree and a master's degree in landscape architecture is not 1490 required to demonstrate 1 year of practical experience in 1491 landscape architectural work to obtain licensure. The board 1492 shall adopt rules providing standards for the required experience. An applicant who qualifies for examination pursuant 1493 1494 to s. 481.309(1)(b)1. may obtain the practical experience after 672911

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1495 completing the required professional degree. Experience used to 1496 qualify for examination pursuant to s. 481.309(1)(b)2. may not 1497 be used to satisfy the practical experience requirement under 1498 this section.

1499 Section 60. Subsections (5) and (6) of section 481.311, 1500 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4) and (5), 1501 respectively, and subsection (3) and present subsection (4) of 1502 that section are amended, to read:

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481.311 Licensure.-

(3) The board shall certify as qualified for a license byendorsement an applicant who:

(a) Qualifies to take the examination as set forth in s.
481.309; and has passed a national, regional, state, or
territorial licensing examination which is substantially
equivalent to the examination required by s. 481.309; or

(b) Holds a valid license to practice landscape architecture issued by another state or territory of the United States, if the criteria for issuance of such license were substantially identical to the licensure criteria which existed in this state at the time the license was issued; or.

1515 (c) Has held a valid license to practice landscape
1516 architecture in another state or territory of the United States
1517 for at least 10 years before the date of application and has
1518 successfully completed a state, regional, national, or other
1519 examination that is equivalent to or more stringent than the

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1520 examination required by the board, subject to subsection (5). An 1521 applicant who has met the requirements to be qualified for a 1522 license by endorsement except for successful completion of an 1523 examination that is equivalent to or more stringent than the 1524 examination required by the board may take the examination 1525 required by the board without completing additional education 1526 requirements. Such application must be submitted to the board 1527 while the applicant holds a valid license in another state or 1528 territory or within 2 years after the expiration of such 1529 license. (4) The board shall certify as qualified for a certificate 1530 1531 of authorization any applicant corporation or partnership who 1532 satisfies the requirements of s. 481.319. Section 61. Subsection (4) of section 481.313, Florida 1533 1534 Statutes, is amended to read: 1535 481.313 Renewal of license.-1536 (4) The board, by rule adopted pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54, shall establish criteria for the approval of 1537 1538 continuing education courses and providers, and shall by rule 1539 establish criteria for accepting alternative nonclassroom continuing education on an hour-for-hour basis. A landscape 1540 1541 architect shall receive hour-for-hour credit for attending continuing education courses approved by the Landscape 1542 1543 Architecture Continuing Education System or another nationally recognized clearinghouse for continuing education that relate to 1544 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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1545	and increase the basic knowledge of landscape architecture, as
1546	determined by the board, if such landscape architect submits
1547	proof satisfactory to the board that such course was approved by
1548	the Landscape Architecture Continuing Education System or
1549	another nationally recognized clearinghouse for continuing
1550	education, the syllabus or outline for such course, and
1551	attendance of such course.
1552	Section 62. Subsection (2) of section 481.317, Florida
1553	Statutes, is amended to read:
1554	481.317 Temporary certificates
1555	(2) Upon approval by the board and payment of the fee set
1556	in s. 481.307, the department shall grant a temporary
1557	certificate of authorization for work on one specified project
1558	in this state for a period not to exceed 1 year to an out-of-
1559	state corporation, partnership, or firm, provided one of the
1560	principal officers of the corporation, one of the partners of
1561	the partnership, or one of the principals in the fictitiously
1562	named firm has obtained a temporary certificate of registration
1563	in accordance with subsection (1).
1564	Section 63. Section 481.319, Florida Statutes, is amended
1565	to read:
1566	481.319 Corporate and partnership practice of landscape
1567	architecture; certificate of authorization
1568	(1) The practice of or offer to practice landscape
1569	architecture by registered landscape architects registered under
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1570 this part through a corporation or partnership offering 1571 landscape architectural services to the public, or through a 1572 corporation or partnership offering landscape architectural 1573 services to the public through individual registered landscape 1574 architects as agents, employees, officers, or partners, is 1575 permitted, subject to the provisions of this section, if:

(a) One or more of the principal officers of the corporation, or partners of the partnership, and all personnel of the corporation or partnership who act in its behalf as landscape architects in this state are registered landscape architects; and

(b) One or more of the officers, one or more of the directors, one or more of the owners of the corporation, or one or more of the partners of the partnership is a registered landscape architect; and

1585(c) The corporation or partnership has been issued a1586certificate of authorization by the board as provided herein.

1587 (2) All documents involving the practice of landscape
1588 architecture which are prepared for the use of the corporation
1589 or partnership shall bear the signature and seal of a registered
1590 landscape architect.

(3) <u>A landscape architect applying to practice in the name</u>
 of a An applicant corporation <u>must shall</u> file with the
 department the names and addresses of all officers and board
 members of the corporation, including the principal officer or
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1595 officers, duly registered to practice landscape architecture in this state and, also, of all individuals duly registered to 1596 1597 practice landscape architecture in this state who shall be in 1598 responsible charge of the practice of landscape architecture by 1599 the corporation in this state. A landscape architect applying to 1600 practice in the name of a An applicant partnership must shall 1601 file with the department the names and addresses of all partners 1602 of the partnership, including the partner or partners duly 1603 registered to practice landscape architecture in this state and, also, of an individual or individuals duly registered to 1604 1605 practice landscape architecture in this state who shall be in 1606 responsible charge of the practice of landscape architecture by said partnership in this state. 1607

Each landscape architect qualifying a partnership or 1608 (4) 1609 and corporation licensed under this part must shall notify the department within 1 month after of any change in the information 1610 1611 contained in the application upon which the license is based. 1612 Any landscape architect who terminates her or his or her 1613 employment with a partnership or corporation licensed under this 1614 part shall notify the department of the termination within 1 1615 month after such termination.

1616 (5) Disciplinary action against a corporation or 1617 partnership shall be administered in the same manner and on the 1618 same grounds as disciplinary action against a registered 1619 landscape architect.

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1620 (5) (6) Except as provided in s. 558.0035, the fact that a 1621 registered landscape architect practices landscape architecture 1622 through a corporation or partnership as provided in this section 1623 does not relieve the landscape architect from personal liability 1624 for <u>her or</u> his or her professional acts.

1625 Section 64. Subsection (5) of section 481.321, Florida 1626 Statutes, is amended to read:

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481.321 Seals; display of certificate number.-

1628 Each registered landscape architect must and each (5) corporation or partnership holding a certificate of 1629 1630 authorization shall include her or his its certificate number in 1631 any newspaper, telephone directory, or other advertising medium 1632 used by the registered landscape architect, corporation, or 1633 partnership. A corporation or partnership must is not required 1634 to display the certificate number numbers of at least one officer, director, owner, or partner who is a individual 1635 1636 registered landscape architect architects employed by or 1637 practicing with the corporation or partnership.

1638 Section 65. Subsection (5) of section 481.329, Florida 1639 Statutes, is amended to read:

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481.329 Exceptions; exemptions from licensure.-

1641 (5) This part does not prohibit any person from engaging 1642 in the practice of landscape design, as defined in <u>s. 481.303</u> s. 1643 481.303(7), or from submitting for approval to a governmental 1644 agency planting plans that are independent of, or a component 672911

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of, construction documents that are prepared by a Florida-1645 registered professional. Persons providing landscape design 1646 1647 services shall not use the title, term, or designation "landscape architect," "landscape architectural," "landscape 1648 architecture," "L.A.," "landscape engineering," or any 1649 1650 description tending to convey the impression that she or he is a 1651 landscape architect unless she or he is registered as provided 1652 in this part.

1653 Section 66. Subsection (9) of section 489.103, Florida 1654 Statutes, is amended to read:

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489.103 Exemptions.-This part does not apply to:

(9) Any work or operation of a casual, minor, or inconsequential nature in which the aggregate contract price for labor, materials, and all other items is less than <u>\$2,500</u> \$1,000, but this exemption does not apply:

1660 (a) If the construction, repair, remodeling, or 1661 improvement is a part of a larger or major operation, whether 1662 undertaken by the same or a different contractor, or in which a 1663 division of the operation is made in contracts of amounts less 1664 than $\frac{$2,500}{$1,000}$ for the purpose of evading this part or 1665 otherwise.

(b) To a person who advertises that he or she is a contractor or otherwise represents that he or she is qualified to engage in contracting.

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1669	Section 67. Subsection (2) of section 489.111, Florida
1670	Statutes, is amended to read:
1671	489.111 Licensure by examination
1672	(2) A person shall be eligible for licensure by
1673	examination if the person:
1674	(a) Is 18 years of age;
1675	(b) Is of good moral character; and
1676	(c) Meets eligibility requirements according to one of the
1677	following criteria:
1678	1. Has received a baccalaureate degree from an accredited
1679	4-year college in the appropriate field of engineering,
1680	architecture, or building construction and has 1 year of proven
1681	experience in the category in which the person seeks to qualify.
1682	For the purpose of this part, a minimum of 2,000 person-hours
1683	shall be used in determining full-time equivalency. <u>An applicant</u>
1684	who is exempt from passing an examination or portion thereof as
1685	provided in s. 489.113(1) is eligible for a license under this
1686	section.
1687	2. Has a total of at least 4 years of active experience as
1688	a worker who has learned the trade by serving an apprenticeship
1689	as a skilled worker who is able to command the rate of a
1690	mechanic in the particular trade or as a foreman who is in
1691	charge of a group of workers and usually is responsible to a
1692	superintendent or a contractor or his or her equivalent,
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1693 provided, however, that at least 1 year of active experience 1694 shall be as a foreman.

1695 3. Has a combination of not less than 1 year of experience 1696 as a foreman and not less than 3 years of credits for any 1697 accredited college-level courses; has a combination of not less 1698 than 1 year of experience as a skilled worker, 1 year of 1699 experience as a foreman, and not less than 2 years of credits 1700 for any accredited college-level courses; or has a combination 1701 of not less than 2 years of experience as a skilled worker, 1 1702 year of experience as a foreman, and not less than 1 year of 1703 credits for any accredited college-level courses. All junior 1704 college or community college-level courses shall be considered 1705 accredited college-level courses.

4.a. An active certified residential contractor is eligible to receive a certified building contractor license after passing or having previously passed take the building contractors' examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 3 years of proven experience in the classification in which he or she is certified.

b. An active certified residential contractor is eligible to <u>receive a certified general contractor license after passing</u> or having previously passed take the general contractors' examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 4 years of proven experience in the classification in which he or she is certified.

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c. An active certified building contractor is eligible to
<u>receive a certified general contractor license after passing or</u>
<u>having previously passed take</u> the general contractors'
examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 4 years of
proven experience in the classification in which he or she is
certified.

5.a. An active certified air-conditioning Class C
contractor is eligible to receive a certified air conditioning
<u>Class B contractor license after passing or having previously</u>
<u>passed take the air-conditioning Class B contractors'</u>
examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 3 years of
proven experience in the classification in which he or she is
certified.

b. An active certified air-conditioning Class C contractor is eligible to <u>receive a certified air conditioning Class A</u> <u>contractor license after passing or having previously passed</u> take the air-conditioning Class A contractors' examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 4 years of proven experience in the classification in which he or she is certified.

c. An active certified air-conditioning Class B contractor
is eligible to receive a certified air conditioning Class A
<u>contractor license after passing or having previously passed</u>
take the air-conditioning Class A contractors' examination if he
or she possesses a minimum of 1 year of proven experience in the
classification in which he or she is certified.

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1743 6.a. An active certified swimming pool servicing
1744 contractor is eligible to <u>receive a certified residential</u>
1745 <u>swimming pool contractor license after passing or having</u>
1746 <u>previously passed take</u> the residential swimming pool
1747 contractors' examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 3
1748 years of proven experience in the classification in which he or
1749 she is certified.

b. An active certified swimming pool servicing contractor is eligible to <u>receive a certified commercial swimming pool</u> <u>contractor license after passing or having previously passed</u> take the swimming pool commercial contractors' examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 4 years of proven experience in the classification in which he or she is certified.

c. An active certified residential swimming pool
contractor is eligible to receive a certified commercial
swimming pool contractor license after passing or having
previously passed take the commercial swimming pool contractors'
examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 1 year of proven
experience in the classification in which he or she is
certified.

d. An applicant is eligible to <u>receive a certified</u> swimming pool/spa servicing contractor license after passing or having previously passed take the swimming pool/spa servicing contractors' examination if he or she has satisfactorily completed 60 hours of instruction in courses related to the 672911

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1768 scope of work covered by that license and approved by the 1769 Construction Industry Licensing Board by rule and has at least 1 1770 year of proven experience related to the scope of work of such a 1771 contractor.

1772 Section 68. Subsection (1) of section 489.113, Florida 1773 Statutes, is amended to read:

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489.113 Qualifications for practice; restrictions.-

1775 Any person who desires to engage in contracting on a (1)1776 statewide basis shall, as a prerequisite thereto, establish his 1777 or her competency and qualifications to be certified pursuant to this part. To establish competency, a person shall pass the 1778 1779 appropriate examination approved by the board and certified by 1780 the department. If an applicant has received a baccalaureate 1781 degree from an accredited 4-year college in building 1782 construction, or a related degree as approved by the board by 1783 rule, and has a grade point average of 3.0 or higher, such 1784 applicant is only required to take and pass the business and 1785 finance portion of the examination. Any person who desires to 1786 engage in contracting on other than a statewide basis shall, as 1787 a prerequisite thereto, be registered pursuant to this part, 1788 unless exempted by this part.

1789 Section 69. Subsection (3) of section 489.115, Florida 1790 Statutes, is amended to read:

1791 489.115 Certification and registration; endorsement; 1792 reciprocity; renewals; continuing education.-

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1793 (3) The board shall certify as qualified for certification1794 by endorsement any applicant who:

(a) Meets the requirements for certification as set forth
in this section; has passed a national, regional, state, or
United States territorial licensing examination that is
substantially equivalent to the examination required by this
part; and has satisfied the requirements set forth in s.
489.111;

(b) Holds a valid license to practice contracting issued by another state or territory of the United States, if the criteria for issuance of such license were substantially equivalent to Florida's current certification criteria; or

(c) Holds a valid, current license to practice contracting issued by another state or territory of the United States, if the state or territory has entered into a reciprocal agreement with the board for the recognition of contractor licenses issued in that state, based on criteria for the issuance of such licenses that are substantially equivalent to the criteria for certification in this state;

1812(d) Has held a valid license to practice contracting1813issued by another state or territory for at least 10 years1814before the date of application and is applying for the same or1815similar license in this state, subject to subsections (5)-(9).1816The board may consider whether such applicant has had a license1817to practice contracting revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted

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1818	against by the licensing authority of another state, territory,	
1819	or country. Such application must be submitted to the board	
1820	while the applicant holds a valid license in another state or	
1821	territory or within 2 years after the expiration of such	
1822	license. A building contractor, residential contractor, general	
1823	contractor, or roofing contractor who obtains a license by	
1824	endorsement or reciprocity under this paragraph must have	
1825	completed, within the previous 2 years or within 30 days after	
1826	being licensed, a board-approved 2 hour course on wind	
1827	mitigation, flood resistance, and water intrusion requirements	
1828	under the Florida Building Code. The approved course may be	
1829	provided online. The board may approve other building code	
1830	courses to satisfy this requirement, provided the necessary wind	
1831	mitigation, flood resistance, and water intrusion requirements	
1832	are presented. The board may also determine whether a building,	
1833	residential, general, or roofing contractor applicant has	
1834	experience and technical competence in wind mitigation and water	
1835	intrusion.	
1836	Section 70. Subsection (5) of section 489.511, Florida	
1837	Statutes, is amended to read:	
1838	489.511 Certification; application; examinations;	
1839	endorsement	
1840	(5) The board shall certify as qualified for certification	
1841	by endorsement any individual applying for certification who:	
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(a) Meets the requirements for certification as set forth
in this section; has passed a national, regional, state, or
United States territorial licensing examination that is
substantially equivalent to the examination required by this
part; and has satisfied the requirements set forth in s.
489.521; or

(b) Holds a valid license to practice electrical or alarm
system contracting issued by another state or territory of the
United States, if the criteria for issuance of such license was
substantially equivalent to the certification criteria that
existed in this state at the time the certificate was issued; or

(c) Has held a valid license to practice electrical or 1853 1854 alarm system contracting issued by another state or territory 1855 for at least 10 years before the date of application and is 1856 applying for the same or similar license in this state, subject 1857 to ss. 489.510 and 489.521(3)(a), and subparagraph (1)(b)1. Such 1858 application must be submitted to the board while the applicant 1859 holds a valid license in another state or territory or within 2 1860 years after the expiration of such license. An electrical 1861 contractor or alarm system contractor who is licensed in another 1862 state who seeks qualification for license by endorsement under 1863 this paragraph must complete a class on the Florida Building Code approved by the board, not to exceed 2 hours. 1864 1865 Section 71. Subsection (3) and paragraph (b) of subsection

1866 (4) of section 489.517, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 672911

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1867 489.517 Renewal of certificate or registration; continuing 1868 education.-

1869 (3) (a) Each certificateholder or registrant licensed as a 1870 specialty contractor or an alarm system contractor shall provide 1871 proof, in a form established by rule of the board, that the 1872 certificateholder or registrant has completed at least 7 14 classroom hours of at least 50 minutes each of continuing 1873 1874 education courses during each biennium since the issuance or renewal of the certificate or registration. The board shall by 1875 1876 rule establish criteria for the approval of continuing education 1877 courses and providers and may by rule establish criteria for 1878 accepting alternative nonclassroom continuing education on an 1879 hour-for-hour basis.

(b) Each certificateholder or registrant licensed as an 1880 1881 electrical contractor shall provide proof, in a form established 1882 by rule of the board, that the certificateholder or registrant 1883 has completed at least 11 classroom hours of at least 50 minutes 1884 each of continuing education courses during each biennium since 1885 the issuance or renewal of the certificate or registration. The 1886 board shall by rule establish criteria for the approval of 1887 continuing education courses and providers and may by rule 1888 establish criteria for accepting alternative nonclassroom 1889 continuing education on an hour-for-hour basis. 1890 (4)

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1891 (b)1. For licensed specialty contractors or alarm system contractors, of the 7 14 classroom hours of continuing education 1892 1893 required, at least 1 hour 7 hours must be on technical subjects, 1894 1 hour on workers' compensation, 1 hour on workplace safety, 1 1895 hour on business practices, and for alarm system contractors and 1896 electrical contractors engaged in alarm system contracting, 2 1897 hours on false alarm prevention. 2. For licensed electrical contractors, of the minimum 11 1898 1899 classroom hours of continuing education required, at least 7 hours must be on technical subjects, 1 hour on workers' 1900 1901 compensation, 1 hour on workplace safety, and 1 hour on business 1902 practices. Electrical contractors engaged in alarm system 1903 contracting must also complete 2 hours on false alarm 1904 prevention. 1905 Section 72. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 1906 489.518, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1907 489.518 Alarm system agents.-(1) A licensed electrical or alarm system contractor may 1908 1909 not employ a person to perform the duties of a burglar alarm 1910 system agent unless the person: 1911 (b) Has successfully completed a minimum of 14 hours of 1912 training within 90 days after employment, to include basic alarm system electronics in addition to related training including 1913 CCTV and access control training, with at least 2 hours of 1914 training in the prevention of false alarms. Such training shall 1915 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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be from a board-approved provider, and the employee or applicant 1916 for employment shall provide proof of successful completion to 1917 1918 the licensed employer. The board shall by rule establish 1919 criteria for the approval of training courses and providers and 1920 may by rule establish criteria for accepting alternative nonclassroom education on an hour-for-hour basis. The board 1921 1922 shall approve providers that conduct training in other than the 1923 English language. The board shall establish a fee for the 1924 approval of training providers or courses, not to exceed \$60. 1925 Qualified employers may conduct training classes for their 1926 employees, with board approval.

1927 Section 73. Section 492.104, Florida Statutes, is amended, 1928 to read:

1929 492.104 Rulemaking authority.-The Board of Professional 1930 Geologists has authority to adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this chapter. Every licensee 1931 1932 shall be governed and controlled by this chapter and the rules 1933 adopted by the board. The board is authorized to set, by rule, 1934 fees for application, examination, certificate of authorization, 1935 late renewal, initial licensure, and license renewal. These fees 1936 may should not exceed the cost of implementing the application, 1937 examination, initial licensure, and license renewal or other administrative process and shall be established as follows: 1938

(1) The application fee shall not exceed \$150 and shall be nonrefundable.

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1941 (2) The examination fee shall not exceed \$250, and the fee 1942 may be apportioned to each part of a multipart examination. The 1943 examination fee shall be refundable in whole or part if the 1944 applicant is found to be ineligible to take any portion of the 1945 licensure examination.

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(3) The initial license fee shall not exceed \$100.

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(4) The biennial renewal fee shall not exceed \$150.

1948 (5) The fee for a certificate of authorization shall not 1949 exceed \$350 and the fee for renewal of the certificate shall not 1950 exceed \$350.

1951 <u>(5)</u> (6) The fee for reactivation of an inactive license may 1952 shall not exceed \$50.

1953 <u>(6) (7)</u> The fee for a provisional license <u>may shall</u> not 1954 exceed \$400.

1955 <u>(7) (8)</u> The fee for application, examination, and licensure 1956 for a license by endorsement <u>is shall be</u> as provided in this 1957 section for licenses in general.

Section 74. Subsection (1) of section 492.108, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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492.108 Licensure by endorsement; requirements; fees.-

(1) The department shall issue a license by endorsement to any applicant who, upon applying to the department and remitting an application fee, has been certified by the board that he or she:

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1965 Has met the qualifications for licensure in s. (a) 1966 492.105(1)(b)-(e) and:-1967 1.(b) Is the holder of an active license in good standing 1968 in a state, trust, territory, or possession of the United 1969 States. 1970 2.(c) Was licensed through written examination in at least 1971 one state, trust, territory, or possession of the United States, the examination requirements of which have been approved by the 1972 board as substantially equivalent to or more stringent than 1973 1974 those of this state, and has received a score on such 1975 examination which is equal to or greater than the score required 1976 by this state for licensure by examination. 1977 3.(d) Has taken and successfully passed the laws and rules 1978 portion of the examination required for licensure as a 1979 professional geologist in this state. 1980 (b) Has held a valid license to practice geology in 1981 another state, trust, territory, or possession of the United States for at least 10 years before the date of application and 1982 1983 has successfully completed a state, regional, national, or other 1984 examination that is equivalent to or more stringent than the 1985 examination required by the department. If such applicant has 1986 met the requirements for a license by endorsement except 1987 successful completion of an examination that is equivalent to or 1988 more stringent than the examination required by the board, such applicant may take the examination required by the board. Such 1989 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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1990 <u>application must be submitted to the board while the applicant</u> 1991 <u>holds a valid license in another state or territory or within 2</u> 1992 <u>years after the expiration of such license.</u> 1993 Section 75. Section 492.111, Florida Statutes, is amended

1994 to read:

1995 492.111 Practice of professional geology by a firm, 1996 corporation, or partnership; certificate of authorization.-The practice of, or offer to practice, professional geology by 1997 individual professional geologists licensed under the provisions 1998 of this chapter through a firm, corporation, or partnership 1999 2000 offering geological services to the public through individually 2001 licensed professional geologists as agents, employees, officers, or partners thereof is permitted subject to the provisions of 2002 2003 this chapter, if provided that:

2004 (1) At all times that it offers geological services to the 2005 public, the firm, corporation, or partnership is qualified by 2006 has on file with the department the name and license number of one or more individuals who hold a current, active license as a 2007 2008 professional geologist in the state and are serving as a 2009 geologist of record for the firm, corporation, or partnership. A 2010 geologist of record may be any principal officer or employee of 2011 such firm or corporation, or any partner or employee of such partnership, who holds a current, active license as a 2012 professional geologist in this state, or any other Florida-2013 2014 licensed professional geologist with whom the firm, corporation, 672911

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2015 or partnership has entered into a long-term, ongoing 2016 relationship, as defined by rule of the board, to serve as one 2017 of its geologists of record. It shall be the responsibility of 2018 the firm, corporation, or partnership and The geologist of 2019 record <u>shall</u> to notify the department of any changes in the 2020 relationship or identity of that geologist of record within 30 2021 days after such change.

2022 (2) The firm, corporation, or partnership has been issued a certificate of authorization by the department as provided in 2023 this chapter. For purposes of this section, a certificate of 2024 2025 authorization shall be required of any firm, corporation, 2026 partnership, association, or person practicing under a 2027 fictitious name and offering geological services to the public; except that, when an individual is practicing professional 2028 2029 geology in her or his own name, she or he shall not be required 2030 to obtain a certificate of authorization under this section. Such certificate of authorization shall be renewed every 2 2031 2032 vears.

2033 (2)(3) All final geological papers or documents involving 2034 the practice of the profession of geology which have been 2035 prepared or approved for the use of such firm, corporation, or 2036 partnership, for delivery to any person for public record with 2037 the state, shall be dated and bear the signature and seal of the 2038 professional geologist or professional geologists who prepared 2039 or approved them.

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2040 (3) (4) Except as provided in s. 558.0035, the fact that a licensed professional geologist practices through a corporation 2041 2042 or partnership does not relieve the registrant from personal 2043 liability for negligence, misconduct, or wrongful acts committed 2044 by her or him. The partnership and all partners are jointly and 2045 severally liable for the negligence, misconduct, or wrongful acts committed by their agents, employees, or partners while 2046 2047 acting in a professional capacity. Any officer, agent, or employee of a corporation is personally liable and accountable 2048 only for negligent acts, wrongful acts, or misconduct committed 2049 2050 by her or him or committed by any person under her or his direct 2051 supervision and control, while rendering professional services on behalf of the corporation. The personal liability of a 2052 2053 shareholder of a corporation, in her or his capacity as 2054 shareholder, may be no greater than that of a shareholder-2055 employee of a corporation incorporated under chapter 607. The 2056 corporation is liable up to the full value of its property for 2057 any negligent acts, wrongful acts, or misconduct committed by 2058 any of its officers, agents, or employees while they are engaged 2059 on behalf of the corporation in the rendering of professional 2060 services.

2061 (5) The firm, corporation, or partnership desiring a 2062 certificate of authorization shall file with the department an 2063 application therefor, upon a form to be prescribed by the 2064 department, accompanied by the required application fee.

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2065	(6) The department may refuse to issue a certificate of	
2066	authorization if any facts exist which would entitle the	
2067	department to suspend or revoke an existing certificate of	
2068	authorization or if the department, after giving persons	
2069	involved a full and fair hearing, determines that any of the	
2070	officers or directors of said firm or corporation, or partners	
2071	of said partnership, have violated the provisions of s. 492.113.	
2072	Section 76. Subsection (4) of section 492.113, Florida	
2073	Statutes, is amended to read:	
2074	492.113 Disciplinary proceedings	
2075	(4) The department shall reissue the license of a	
2076	disciplined professional geologist or business upon	
2077	certification by the board that the disciplined person has	
2078	complied with $all of$ the terms and conditions set forth in the	
2079	final order.	
2080	Section 77. Section 492.115, Florida Statutes, is amended	
2081	to read:	
2082	492.115 Roster of licensed professional geologists.—A	
2083	roster showing the names and places of business or residence of	
2084	all licensed professional geologists and all properly qualified	
2085	firms, corporations, or partnerships <u>practicing</u> holding	
2086	certificates of authorization to practice professional geology	
2087	in the state shall be prepared annually by the department. A	
2088	copy of this roster <u>must be made available to</u> shall be	
2089	obtainable by each licensed professional geologist and each	
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2090	firm, corporation, or partnership qualified by a professional	
2091	geologist holding a certificate of authorization, and copies	
2092	thereof shall be placed on file with the department.	
2093	Section 78. Section 509.102, Florida Statutes, is created	
2094	to read:	
2095	509.102 Mobile food dispensing vehicles	
2096	(1) As used in this section, the term "mobile food	
2097	dispensing vehicle" means any vehicle-mounted public food	
2098	service establishment which is self-propelled or otherwise	
2099	movable from place to place and includes self-contained	
2100	utilities, including, but not limited to, gas, water,	
2101	electricity, and liquid waste disposal.	
2102	(2) A municipality, county, or other local government	
2103	entity may not:	
2104	(a) Require a separate license, registration, or permit	
2105	beyond those established by the division under s. 509.241 as a	
2106	condition for the mobile food dispensing vehicle's operation	
2107	within the jurisdiction.	
2108	(b) Require a separate license, registration, or permit	
2109	fee beyond those established by the division under s. 509.251 as	
2110	a condition for the mobile food dispensing vehicle's operation	
2111	within the jurisdiction.	
2112	(c) Prohibit mobile food dispensing vehicles from	
2113	operating within the jurisdiction.	

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2114 (3) This section may not be construed to affect a 2115 municipality, county, or other local governmental entity's 2116 authority to regulate the operation of mobile food dispensing 2117 vehicles other than the regulations described in subsection (2). 2118 (4) This section does not apply to any port authority, 2119 aviation authority, airport, or seaport. 2120 Section 79. Paragraph (i) of subsection (2) of section 2121 548.003, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 2122 548.003 Florida State Boxing Commission.-2123 (2)The Florida State Boxing Commission, as created by 2124 subsection (1), shall administer the provisions of this chapter. 2125 The commission has authority to adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the provisions of this 2126 2127 chapter and to implement each of the duties and responsibilities 2128 conferred upon the commission, including, but not limited to: (i) Designation and duties of a knockdown timekeeper. 2129 2130 Section 80. Subsection (1) of section 548.017, Florida 2131 Statutes, is amended to read: 2132 548.017 Participants, managers, and other persons required 2133 to have licenses.-2134 (1) A participant, manager, trainer, second, timekeeper, 2135 referee, judge, announcer, physician, matchmaker, or promoter must be licensed before directly or indirectly acting in such 2136 capacity in connection with any match involving a participant. A 2137 physician approved by the commission must be licensed pursuant 2138 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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2139 to chapter 458 or chapter 459, must maintain an unencumbered license in good standing, and must demonstrate satisfactory 2140 2141 medical training or experience in boxing, or a combination of 2142 both, to the executive director before working as the ringside 2143 physician. 2144 Section 81. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 2145 553.5141, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 2146 553.5141 Certifications of conformity and remediation 2147 plans.-2148 (1) For purposes of this section: "Qualified expert" means: 2149 (d) 2150 1. An engineer licensed pursuant to chapter 471. 2151 2. A certified general contractor licensed pursuant to 2152 chapter 489. 2153 A certified building contractor licensed pursuant to 3. chapter 489. 2154 2155 4. A building code administrator licensed pursuant to 2156 chapter 468. 2157 5. A building inspector licensed pursuant to chapter 468. 2158 6. A plans examiner licensed pursuant to chapter 468. 2159 7. An interior designer registered licensed pursuant to chapter 481. 2160 8. An architect licensed pursuant to chapter 481. 2161 2162 9. A landscape architect licensed pursuant to chapter 481. 672911 Approved For Filing: 2/28/2020 3:57:17 PM

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10. Any person who has prepared a remediation plan related to a claim under Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. s. 12182, that has been accepted by a federal court in a settlement agreement or court proceeding, or who has been qualified as an expert in Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. s. 12182, by a federal court.

2169Section 82. Effective January 1, 2021, subsection (1) of2170section 553.74, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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553.74 Florida Building Commission.-

(1) The Florida Building Commission is created and located within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation for administrative purposes. Members are appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate. The commission is composed of <u>19</u> 27 members, consisting of the following members:

(a) One architect <u>licensed under chapter 481 with at least</u>
5 years of experience in the design and construction of
<u>buildings designated for Group E or Group I occupancies by the</u>
<u>Florida Building Code</u> registered to practice in this state and
actively engaged in the profession. The American Institute of
Architects, Florida Section, is encouraged to recommend a list
of candidates for consideration.

(b) One structural engineer registered to practice in thisstate and actively engaged in the profession. The Florida

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2187 Engineering Society is encouraged to recommend a list of 2188 candidates for consideration.

2189 (c) One air-conditioning contractor, or mechanical contractor, or mechanical engineer certified to do business in 2190 2191 this state and actively engaged in the profession. The Florida 2192 Air Conditioning Contractors Association, the Florida 2193 Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Contractors Association, and 2194 the Mechanical Contractors Association of Florida, and the Florida Engineering Society are encouraged to recommend a list 2195 2196 of candidates for consideration.

(d) One electrical contractor <u>or electrical engineer</u> certified to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession. The Florida Association of Electrical Contractors<u>, and the National Electrical Contractors</u> Association, Florida Chapter, <u>and the Florida Engineering</u> <u>Society</u> are encouraged to recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

(e) One member from fire protection engineering or technology who is actively engaged in the profession. The Florida Chapter of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers and the Florida Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association are encouraged to recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

2209 <u>(e) (f)</u> One <u>certified</u> general contractor <u>or one certified</u> 2210 <u>building contractor</u> certified to do business in this state and 2211 actively engaged in the profession. The Associated Builders and 672911

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2212 Contractors of Florida, the Florida Associated General 2213 Contractors Council, <u>the Florida Home Builders Association</u>, and 2214 the Union Contractors Association are encouraged to recommend a 2215 list of candidates for consideration.

2216 <u>(f)(g)</u> One plumbing contractor licensed to do business in 2217 this state and actively engaged in the profession. The Florida 2218 Association of Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling Contractors is 2219 encouraged to recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

2220 (g) (h) One roofing or sheet metal contractor certified to 2221 do business in this state and actively engaged in the 2222 profession. The Florida Roofing, Sheet Metal, and Air 2223 Conditioning Contractors Association and the Sheet Metal and Air 2224 Conditioning Contractors' National Association are encouraged to 2225 recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

2226 (h) (i) One certified residential contractor licensed to do 2227 business in this state and actively engaged in the profession. 2228 The Florida Home Builders Association is encouraged to recommend 2229 a list of candidates for consideration.

2230 <u>(i)(j)</u> Three members who are municipal, county, or 2231 district codes enforcement officials, one of whom is also a fire 2232 official. The Building Officials Association of Florida and the 2233 Florida Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association are encouraged 2234 to recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

2235 (k) One member who represents the Department of Financial 2236 Services.

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2237	(1) One member who is a county codes enforcement official.	
2238	The Building Officials Association of Florida is encouraged to	
2239	recommend a list of candidates for consideration.	
2240	<u>(j) (m)</u> One member of a Florida-based organization of	
2241	persons with disabilities or a nationally chartered organization	
2242	of persons with disabilities with chapters in this state which	
2243	complies with or is certified to be compliant with the	
2244	requirements of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, as	
2245	amended.	
2246	<u>(k)</u> One member of the manufactured buildings industry	
2247	who is licensed to do business in this state and is actively	
2248	engaged in the industry. The Florida Manufactured Housing	
2249	Association is encouraged to recommend a list of candidates for	
2250	consideration.	
2251	(o) One mechanical or electrical engineer registered to	
2252	practice in this state and actively engaged in the profession.	
2253	The Florida Engineering Society is encouraged to recommend a	
2254	list of candidates for consideration.	
2255	(p) One member who is a representative of a municipality	
2256	or a charter county. The Florida League of Cities and the	
2257	Florida Association of Counties are encouraged to recommend a	
2258	list of candidates for consideration.	
2259	<u>(l)</u> One member of the building products manufacturing	
2260	industry who is authorized to do business in this state and is	
2261	actively engaged in the industry. The Florida Building Material	
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Association, the Florida Concrete and Products Association, and the Fenestration Manufacturers Association are encouraged to recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

(m) (r) One member who is a representative of the building owners and managers industry who is actively engaged in commercial building ownership or management. The Building Owners and Managers Association is encouraged to recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

2270 <u>(n) (s)</u> One member who is a representative of the insurance 2271 industry. The Florida Insurance Council is encouraged to 2272 recommend a list of candidates for consideration.

2273 (t) One member who is a representative of public 2274 education.

2275 <u>(o)</u> (u) One member who is a swimming pool contractor 2276 licensed to do business in this state and actively engaged in 2277 the profession. The Florida Swimming Pool Association and the 2278 United Pool and Spa Association are encouraged to recommend a 2279 list of candidates for consideration.

(p) (v) One member who is a representative of the Chief
Resilience Officer under the Executive Office of the Governor.
The Chief Resilience Officer is encouraged to recommend a list
of candidates for consideration the green building industry and
who is a third-party commission agent, a Florida board member of
the United States Green Building Council or Green Building
Initiative, a professional who is accredited under the

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2287 International Green Construction Code (IGCC), or a professional 2288 who is accredited under Leadership in Energy and Environmental 2289 Design (LEED).

2290 <u>(q) (w)</u> One member who is a representative of a natural gas 2291 distribution system and who is actively engaged in the 2292 distribution of natural gas in this state. The Florida Natural 2293 Gas Association is encouraged to recommend a list of candidates 2294 for consideration.

2295 (x) One member who is a representative of the Department 2296 of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Office of Energy. The 2297 Commissioner of Agriculture is encouraged to recommend a list of 2298 candidates for consideration.

(y) One member who shall be the chair.

2300 Section 83. Subsection (7) of section 558.002, Florida 2301 Statutes, is amended to read:

558.002 Definitions.-As used in this chapter, the term:

(7) "Design professional" means a person, as defined in s.
1.01, licensed <u>or registered</u> in this state as an architect,
interior designer, landscape architect, engineer, surveyor, or
geologist.

2307 Section 84. Subsection (5) is added to section 823.15, 2308 Florida Statutes, to read:

2309 823.15 Dogs and cats released from animal shelters or 2310 animal control agencies; sterilization requirement.-

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2311	(5)(a) Employees, agents, or contractors of a public or	
2312	private animal shelter, a humane organization, or an animal	
2313	control agency operated by a humane organization or by a county,	
2314	municipality, or other incorporated political subdivision may	
2315	implant dogs and cats with a radio frequency identification	
2316	microchip device as part of their work with such public or	
2317	private animal shelter, humane organization, or animal control	
2318	agency.	
2319	(b) Notwithstanding s. 474.2165, employees, agents, or	
2320	contractors of a public or private animal shelter, a humane	
2321	organization, or an animal control agency operated by a humane	
2322	organization or by a county, municipality, or other incorporated	
2323	political subdivision may contact the owner of record listed on	
2324	a radio frequency identification microchip device to verify pet	
2325	ownership.	
2326	Section 85. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this	
2327	act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2020.	
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2330	TITLE AMENDMENT	
2331	Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:	
2332	A bill to be entitled	
2333	An act relating to the deregulation of professions and	
2334	occupations; providing a short title; amending s.	
2335	287.055, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made	
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2336 by the act; amending s. 322.57, F.S.; defining the term "servicemember"; requiring the Department of 2337 2338 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to waive certain 2339 commercial driver license requirements for 2340 servicemembers and veterans under certain circumstances; requiring rulemaking; amending s. 2341 2342 326.004, F.S.; deleting the requirement for a yacht 2343 broker to maintain a separate license for each branch 2344 office; deleting the requirement for the division to 2345 establish a fee; amending s. 447.02, F.S.; conforming 2346 provisions to changes made by the act; repealing ss. 2347 447.04, 447.041, 447.045, and 447.06, F.S., relating 2348 to licensure and permit requirements for business 2349 agents, hearings for persons or labor organizations 2350 denied licensure as a business agent, confidential 2351 information obtained during the application process, 2352 and required registration of labor organizations, 2353 respectively; amending s. 447.09, F.S.; deleting 2354 certain prohibited actions relating to the right of 2355 franchise of a member of a labor organization; 2356 repealing ss. 447.12 and 447.16, F.S., relating to 2357 registration fees and applicability; amending s. 2358 447.305, F.S.; deleting a provision that requires 2359 notification of registrations and renewals to the 2360 department; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; requiring the 672911

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2361 Department of Business and Professional Regulation or 2362 a board to seek reciprocal licensing agreements with 2363 other states under certain circumstances; providing 2364 requirements; creating s. 455.2278, F.S.; providing 2365 definitions; prohibiting the department or a board 2366 from suspending or revoking a person's license solely 2367 on the basis of a delinquency or default in the 2368 payment of his or her student loan; prohibiting the 2369 department or a board from suspending or revoking a 2370 person's license solely on the basis of a default in 2371 satisfying the requirements of his or her work-2372 conditional scholarship; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; 2373 providing that failing to repay a student loan issued 2374 or guaranteed by the state or the Federal Government 2375 in accordance with the terms of the loan is not 2376 considered a failure to perform a statutory or legal 2377 obligation; repealing s. 456.0721, F.S., relating to 2378 practitioners in default on student loan or 2379 scholarship obligations; amending s. 456.074; removing 2380 the requirements for immediate suspension of a health 2381 care practitioner for default on a specified student 2382 loan; amending s. 468.401, F.S.; revising a 2383 definition; amending s. 468.505, F.S.; providing that 2384 certain unlicensed persons are not prohibited or 2385 restricted from his or her practice, services, or 672911

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2386 activities in dietetics and nutrition under certain 2387 circumstances; amending 468.524, F.S.; deleting 2388 specified exemptions from the time restriction for an 2389 employee leasing company to reapply for licensure; 2390 amending s. 468.603, F.S.; revising a definition; amending s. 468.609, F.S.; revising certain experience 2391 2392 requirements for a person to take the examination for 2393 certification; revising the time period a provisional 2394 certificate is valid; amending s. 468.613, F.S.; 2395 providing for waiver of specified requirements for 2396 certification under certain circumstances; amending s. 2397 468.8314, F.S.; requiring an applicant for a license 2398 by endorsement to maintain a specified insurance 2399 policy; requiring the department to certify an 2400 applicant who holds a specified license issued by 2401 another state or territory of the United States under 2402 certain circumstances; amending s. 471.015, F.S.; 2403 revising licensure requirements for engineers who hold 2404 specified licenses in another state; amending s. 2405 473.308, F.S.; deleting continuing education requirements for license by endorsement for certified 2406 2407 public accountants; amending s. 474.202, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "limited-service 2408 2409 veterinary medical practice" to include certain 2410 vaccinations or immunizations; amending s. 474.203, 672911

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2411 F.S.; providing an exemption for a person whose work is solely confined to microchip implantation in dogs 2412 2413 and cats; amending s. 474.207, F.S.; revising 2414 education requirements for licensure by examination; 2415 amending s. 474.217, F.S.; requiring the Department of 2416 Business and Professional Regulation to issue a 2417 license by endorsement to certain applicants who 2418 successfully complete a specified examination; amending s. 476.114, F.S.; revising training 2419 2420 requirements for licensure as a barber; amending s. 2421 476.144, F.S.; requiring the department to license an 2422 applicant who is licensed to practice barbering in another state; amending s. 477.013, F.S.; revising the 2423 2424 definition of the term "hair braiding"; repealing s. 2425 477.0132, F.S., relating to registration for hair 2426 braiding, hair wrapping, and body wrapping; amending 2427 s. 477.0135, F.S.; providing additional exemptions from license or registration requirements for 2428 2429 specified occupations or practices; amending s. 2430 477.019, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made 2431 by the act; amending s. 477.0201, F.S.; providing 2432 requirements for registration as a specialist; amending s. 477.026, F.S.; conforming provisions to 2433 2434 changes made by the act; amending s. 477.0263, F.S.; 2435 authorizing certain persons to perform specified

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2436	cosmetology services in a location other than a
2437	licensed salon under certain circumstances; amending
2438	ss. 477.0265 and 477.029, F.S.; conforming provisions
2439	to changes made by the act; amending s. 481.201, F.S.;
2440	deleting legislative findings relating to the practice
2441	of interior design; amending s. 481.203, F.S.;
2442	revising definitions; amending s. 481.205, F.S.;
2443	conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
2444	amending s. 481.207, F.S.; revising certain fees for
2445	interior designers; amending s. 481.209, F.S.;
2446	providing requirements for a certificate of
2447	registration and a seal for interior designers;
2448	conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
2449	amending s. 481.213, F.S.; revising requirements for
2450	certification of licensure by endorsement for certain
2451	licensees to engage in the practice of architecture;
2452	providing that registration is not required for
2453	specified persons to practice; amending s. 481.2131,
2454	F.S.; requiring certain interior designers to include
2455	a specified seal when submitting documents for the
2456	issuance of a building permit; amending s. 481.215,
2457	F.S.; revising the number of hours of specified
2458	courses the board must require for the renewal of a
2459	license or certificate of registration; authoring
2460	licensees to complete certain courses online; amending
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2461 s. 481.217, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes 2462 made by the act; amending s. 481.219, F.S.; deleting 2463 provisions permitting the practice of or offer to 2464 practice interior design through certain business 2465 organizations; deleting provisions requiring 2466 certificates of authorization for certain business organizations offering interior design services to the 2467 2468 public; requiring a licensee or applicant in the 2469 practice of architecture to qualify a business 2470 organization; providing requirements; amending 2471 481.221, F.S.; requiring registered architects and 2472 certain business organizations to display their 2473 license number in specified advertisements; amending 2474 s. 481.223, F.S.; providing construction; amending s. 2475 481.2251, F.S.; revising acts that constitute grounds 2476 for disciplinary actions relating to interior 2477 designers; amending ss. 481.229 and 481.231, F.S.; 2478 conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 2479 amending s. 481.303, F.S.; deleting the definition of 2480 the term "certificate of authorization"; amending s. 2481 481.310, F.S.; providing that an applicant who holds a 2482 specified degree is not required to demonstrate 1 year of practical experience for licensure; amending s. 2483 2484 481.311, F.S.; requiring the Board of Landscape 2485 Architecture to certify an applicant who holds a 672911

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2486 specified license issued by another state or territory 2487 of the United States under certain circumstances; 2488 conforming provisions; amending s. 481.313, F.S.; 2489 authorizing a landscape architect to receive hour-for-2490 hour credit for certain approved continuing education 2491 courses under certain circumstances; 481.317, F.S.; 2492 conforming provisions; amending s. 481.319, F.S.; 2493 deleting the requirement for a certificate of 2494 authorization; authorizing landscape architects to 2495 practice through a corporation or partnership; 2496 amending s. 481.321, F.S.; requiring a landscape 2497 architect to display their certificate number in 2498 specified advertisements; amending s. 481.329, F.S.; 2499 conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 489.103, 2500 F.S.; revising certain contract prices for exemption; 2501 amending s. 489.111, F.S.; providing that an applicant 2502 who is exempt from a specified examination is eligible 2503 for licensure; amending s. 489.113, F.S.; providing 2504 that an applicant holding a specified degree does not 2505 have to pass a certain examination; amending s. 2506 489.115, F.S.; requiring the Construction Industry 2507 Licensing Board to certify any applicant who holds a 2508 specified license to practice contracting issued by another state or territory of the United States under 2509 2510 or certain persons licensed by endorsement or

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2511 reciprocity under certain circumstances; amending s. 2512 489.511, F.S.; requiring the board to certify as 2513 qualified for certification by endorsement any 2514 applicant who holds a specified license to practice 2515 electrical or alarm system contracting issued by 2516 another state or territory of the United States under 2517 certain circumstances; amending s. 489.517, F.S.; 2518 providing a reduction in certain continuing education 2519 hours required for certain contractors; amending s. 2520 489.518, F.S.; requiring a person to have completed a 2521 specified amount of training within a certain time 2522 period to perform the duties of an alarm system agent; 2523 amending s. 492.104, F.S.; conforming provisions to 2524 changes made by the act; amending 492.108, F.S.; 2525 requiring the department to issue a license by 2526 endorsement to any applicant who has held a specified 2527 license to practice geology in another state, 2528 territory, or possession of the United States for a 2529 certain period of time; providing that an applicant 2530 may take the examination required by the board if they 2531 have not met the specified examination requirement; 2532 amending s. 492.111, F.S.; deleting the requirements 2533 for a certificate of authorization for a professional 2534 geologist; amending ss. 492.113 and 492.115, F.S.; conforming provisions; creating s. 509.102, F.S.; 2535

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2536 providing a definition for the term "mobile food 2537 dispensing vehicles"; prohibiting a municipality, 2538 county, or other local governmental entity from 2539 requiring a separate license, registration, or permit 2540 or fee or from operating within the jurisdiction; 2541 providing applicability; amending s. 548.003, F.S.; 2542 deleting the requirement that the Florida State Boxing 2543 Commission adopt rules relating to a knockdown 2544 timekeeper; amending s. 548.017, F.S.; deleting the 2545 licensure requirement for a timekeeper or announcer; 2546 amending s. 553.5141, F.S.; conforming provisions to 2547 changes made by the act; amending s. 553.74, F.S.; 2548 revising the membership and qualifications of the 2549 Florida Building Commission; amending s. 558.002, 2550 F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the 2551 act; amending s. 823.15, F.S.; authorizing certain 2552 persons to implant dogs and cats with specified radio 2553 frequency identification devices under certain 2554 circumstances; authorizing such persons to contact the 2555 owner of record listed on such devices; providing 2556 effective dates.

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