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# SENATE BILL No. 490

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 23-1.5-1-9; IC 25-1; IC 25-4; IC 25-4.5.

**Synopsis:** Registering interior designers. Changes the board of registration for architects and landscape architects to the board of registration for architects, landscape architects, and interior designers (board). Adds an interior designer to the board. Requires the board to register interior designers. Establishes the requirements for registration and fees. Requires the board to deposit the fees into the registered architects, registered landscape architects, and registered interior designers investigative fund. Provides that a person: (1) may not use the title "registered interior designer" or any title designation sign, card, or device indicating the person is a registered interior designer unless the person has a certificate of registration; and (2) is ineligible for registration if the person has a civil judgment for negligence, recklessness, willful misconduct, or another breach of a standard of care in the practice of interior design entered against the person.

**Effective:** July 1, 2007.

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## SENATE BILL No. 490



A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 23-1.5-1-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 9. "Licensing authority"
- 3 means the following:
- 4 (1) In the case of an accounting professional, the Indiana state
- 5 board of public accountancy.
- 6 (2) In the case of an architectural professional, the board of
- 7 registration for architects ~~and~~ landscape architects, **and interior**
- 8 **designers.**
- 9 (3) In the case of an engineering professional, the state board of
- 10 registration for professional engineers.
- 11 (4) In the case of an attorney, the Indiana supreme court.
- 12 (5) In the case of a health care professional, the board (as defined
- 13 in IC 25-1-9-1) that issues the individual's license, certification,
- 14 or registration.
- 15 (6) In the case of a veterinarian, the Indiana board of veterinary
- 16 medical examiners.
- 17 (7) In the case of a land surveyor, the state board of registration



1 for land surveyors.  
 2 (8) In the case of a real estate professional, the Indiana real estate  
 3 commission.  
 4 SECTION 2. IC 25-1-2-2.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.87-2005,  
 5 SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 6 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 2.1. Rather than being issued annually, the  
 7 following permits, licenses, certificates of registration, or evidences of  
 8 authority granted by a state agency must be issued for a period of two  
 9 (2) years or for the period specified in the article under which the  
 10 permit, license, certificate of registration, or evidence of authority is  
 11 issued if the period specified in the article is longer than two (2) years:  
 12 (1) Certified public accountants, public accountants, and  
 13 accounting practitioners.  
 14 (2) Architects and landscape architects.  
 15 (3) Dry cleaners.  
 16 (4) Professional engineers.  
 17 (5) Land surveyors.  
 18 (6) Real estate brokers.  
 19 (7) Real estate agents.  
 20 (8) Security dealers' licenses issued by the securities  
 21 commissioner.  
 22 (9) Dental hygienists.  
 23 (10) Dentists.  
 24 (11) Veterinarians.  
 25 (12) Physicians.  
 26 (13) Chiropractors.  
 27 (14) Physical therapists.  
 28 (15) Optometrists.  
 29 (16) Pharmacists and assistants, drugstores, or pharmacies.  
 30 (17) Motels and mobile home community licenses.  
 31 (18) Nurses.  
 32 (19) Podiatrists.  
 33 (20) Occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants.  
 34 (21) Respiratory care practitioners.  
 35 (22) Social workers, marriage and family therapists, and mental  
 36 health counselors.  
 37 (23) Real estate appraiser licenses and certificates issued by the  
 38 real estate appraiser licensure and certification board.  
 39 (24) Wholesale legend drug distributors.  
 40 (25) Physician assistants.  
 41 (26) Dietitians.  
 42 (27) Hypnotists.

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- 1 (28) Athlete agents.
- 2 (29) Manufactured home installers.
- 3 (30) Home inspectors.
- 4 **(31) Interior designers.**
- 5 SECTION 3. IC 25-1-2-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 6 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section,
- 7 "license" includes all occupational and professional licenses,
- 8 registrations, permits, and certificates issued under the Indiana Code,
- 9 and "licensee" includes all occupational and professional licensees,
- 10 registrants, permittees, and certificate holders regulated under the
- 11 Indiana Code.
- 12 (b) This section applies to the following entities that regulate
- 13 occupations or professions under the Indiana Code:
- 14 (1) Indiana board of accountancy.
- 15 (2) Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency.
- 16 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission.
- 17 (4) Board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects,
- 18 **and interior designers.**
- 19 (5) State board of barber examiners.
- 20 (6) State board of cosmetology examiners.
- 21 (7) Medical licensing board of Indiana.
- 22 (8) Secretary of state.
- 23 (9) State board of dentistry.
- 24 (10) State board of funeral and cemetery service.
- 25 (11) Worker's compensation board of Indiana.
- 26 (12) Indiana state board of health facility administrators.
- 27 (13) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners.
- 28 (14) Indiana state board of nursing.
- 29 (15) Indiana optometry board.
- 30 (16) Indiana board of pharmacy.
- 31 (17) Indiana plumbing commission.
- 32 (18) Board of podiatric medicine.
- 33 (19) Private detectives licensing board.
- 34 (20) State board of registration for professional engineers.
- 35 (21) Board of environmental health specialists.
- 36 (22) State psychology board.
- 37 (23) Indiana real estate commission.
- 38 (24) Speech-language pathology and audiology board.
- 39 (25) Department of natural resources.
- 40 (26) State boxing commission.
- 41 (27) Board of chiropractic examiners.
- 42 (28) Mining board.

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- 1 (29) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners.  
 2 (30) State department of health.  
 3 (31) Indiana physical therapy committee.  
 4 (32) Respiratory care committee.  
 5 (33) Occupational therapy committee.  
 6 (34) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental  
 7 health counselor board.  
 8 (35) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board.  
 9 (36) State board of registration for land surveyors.  
 10 (37) Physician assistant committee.  
 11 (38) Indiana dietitians certification board.  
 12 (39) Indiana hypnotist committee.  
 13 (40) Attorney general (only for the regulation of athlete agents).  
 14 (41) Manufactured home installer licensing board.  
 15 (42) Home inspectors licensing board.  
 16 (43) Any other occupational or professional agency created after  
 17 June 30, 1981.

18 (c) Notwithstanding any other law, the entities included in  
 19 subsection (b) shall send a notice of the upcoming expiration of a  
 20 license to each licensee at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration  
 21 of the license. The notice must inform the licensee of the need to renew  
 22 and the requirement of payment of the renewal fee. If this notice of  
 23 expiration is not sent by the entity, the licensee is not subject to a  
 24 sanction for failure to renew if, once notice is received from the entity,  
 25 the license is renewed within forty-five (45) days of the receipt of the  
 26 notice.

27 SECTION 4. IC 25-1-4-0.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.157-2006,  
 28 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 29 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 0.3. As used in section 3 of this chapter, "board"  
 30 means any of the following:

- 31 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).  
 32 (2) Board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects,  
 33 **and interior designers** (IC 25-4-1-2).  
 34 (3) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).  
 35 (4) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).  
 36 (5) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).  
 37 (6) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).  
 38 (7) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).  
 39 (8) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).  
 40 (9) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).  
 41 (10) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).  
 42 (11) State board of registration for professional engineers

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- 1 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 2 (12) Board of environmental health specialists (~~IC 25-32~~):
- 3 **(IC 25-32-1).**
- 4 (13) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 5 (14) Indiana state board of health facility administrators
- 6 (IC 25-19-1).
- 7 (15) Committee on hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20-1-1.5).
- 8 (16) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- 9 (17) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).
- 10 (18) State board of registration for land surveyors
- 11 (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 12 (19) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 13 (20) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- 14 (21) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- 15 (22) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- 16 (23) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- 17 (24) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- 18 (25) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27-1).
- 19 (26) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- 20 (27) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 21 (28) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- 22 (29) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- 23 (30) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- 24 (31) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).
- 25 (32) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board
- 26 (IC 25-34.1-8).
- 27 (33) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- 28 (34) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental
- 29 health counselor board (IC 25-23.6).
- 30 (35) Speech-language pathology and audiology board
- 31 (IC 25-35.6-2).
- 32 (36) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1).
- 33 SECTION 5. IC 25-1-6-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.206-2005,
- 34 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 35 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 3. (a) The licensing agency shall perform all
- 36 administrative functions, duties, and responsibilities assigned by law
- 37 or rule to the executive director, secretary, or other statutory
- 38 administrator of the following:
- 39 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 40 (2) Board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects,
- 41 **and interior designers** (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 42 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).

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- 1 (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 2 (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 3 (6) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 4 (7) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 5 (8) State board of registration for professional engineers
- 6 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 7 (9) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 8 (10) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1).
- 9 (11) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board
- 10 (IC 25-34.1-8-1).
- 11 (12) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- 12 (13) State board of registration for land surveyors
- 13 (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 14 (14) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 15 (15) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- 16 (b) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to give the licensing
- 17 agency policy making authority, which remains with each board.
- 18 SECTION 6. IC 25-1-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 19 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter:
- 20 "Board" means the appropriate agency listed in the definition of
- 21 regulated occupation in this section.
- 22 "Director" refers to the director of the division of consumer
- 23 protection.
- 24 "Division" refers to the division of consumer protection, office of
- 25 the attorney general.
- 26 "Licensee" means a person who is:
- 27 (1) licensed, certified, or registered by a board listed in this
- 28 section; and
- 29 (2) the subject of a complaint filed with the division.
- 30 "Person" means an individual, a partnership, a limited liability
- 31 company, or a corporation.
- 32 "Regulated occupation" means an occupation in which a person is
- 33 licensed, certified, or registered by one (1) of the following:
- 34 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 35 (2) Board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects,
- 36 **and interior designers** (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 37 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- 38 (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 39 (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 40 (6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- 41 (7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 42 (8) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).

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- 1 (9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).  
 2 (10) State board of registration for professional engineers  
 3 (IC 25-31-1-3).  
 4 (11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators  
 5 (IC 25-19-1).  
 6 (12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).  
 7 (13) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).  
 8 (14) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).  
 9 (15) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).  
 10 (16) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).  
 11 (17) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).  
 12 (18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).  
 13 (19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).  
 14 (20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board  
 15 (IC 25-35.6-2).  
 16 (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).  
 17 (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1).  
 18 (23) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing  
 19 water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.  
 20 (24) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).  
 21 (25) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).  
 22 (26) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).  
 23 (27) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental  
 24 health counselor board (IC 25-23.6).  
 25 (28) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board  
 26 (IC 25-34.1-8).  
 27 (29) State board of registration for land surveyors  
 28 (IC 25-21.5-2-1).  
 29 (30) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).  
 30 (31) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).  
 31 (32) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).  
 32 (33) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).  
 33 (34) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).  
 34 (35) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).  
 35 (36) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).  
 36 (37) Any other occupational or professional agency created after  
 37 June 30, 1981.

38 SECTION 7. IC 25-1-8-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 39 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board"  
 40 means any of the following:

- 41 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).  
 42 (2) Board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects,

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- 1           **and interior designers** (IC 25-4-1-2).  
 2           (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).  
 3           (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).  
 4           (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).  
 5           (6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).  
 6           (7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).  
 7           (8) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).  
 8           (9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15).  
 9           (10) State board of registration for professional engineers  
 10          (IC 25-31-1-3).  
 11          (11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators  
 12          (IC 25-19-1).  
 13          (12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).  
 14          (13) Mining board (IC 22-10-1.5-2).  
 15          (14) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).  
 16          (15) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).  
 17          (16) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).  
 18          (17) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).  
 19          (18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).  
 20          (19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).  
 21          (20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board  
 22          (IC 25-35.6-2).  
 23          (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2-1).  
 24          (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners  
 25          (IC 15-5-1.1-3).  
 26          (23) Department of insurance (IC 27-1).  
 27          (24) State police department (IC 10-11-2-4), for purposes of  
 28          certifying polygraph examiners under IC 25-30-2.  
 29          (25) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing  
 30          water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.  
 31          (26) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).  
 32          (27) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5-2-1).  
 33          (28) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental  
 34          health counselor board (IC 25-23.6-2-1).  
 35          (29) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board  
 36          (IC 25-34.1-8).  
 37          (30) State board of registration for land surveyors  
 38          (IC 25-21.5-2-1).  
 39          (31) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).  
 40          (32) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).  
 41          (33) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).  
 42          (34) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).

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- 1 (35) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- 2 (36) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 3 (37) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- 4 (38) Any other occupational or professional agency created after
- 5 June 30, 1981.

6 SECTION 8. IC 25-1-8-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.157-2006,  
 7 SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 8 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section, "board" means any  
 9 of the following:

- 10 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 11 (2) Board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects,
- 12 **and interior designers** (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 13 (3) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- 14 (4) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- 15 (5) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 16 (6) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 17 (7) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- 18 (8) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 19 (9) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- 20 (10) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- 21 (11) State board of registration for professional engineers
- 22 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 23 (12) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- 24 (13) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 25 (14) Indiana state board of health facility administrators
- 26 (IC 25-19-1).
- 27 (15) Committee on hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20-1-1.5).
- 28 (16) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- 29 (17) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).
- 30 (18) State board of registration for land surveyors
- 31 (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 32 (19) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 33 (20) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- 34 (21) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- 35 (22) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- 36 (23) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- 37 (24) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- 38 (25) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- 39 (26) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- 40 (27) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 41 (28) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- 42 (29) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).

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- 1 (30) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- 2 (31) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).
- 3 (32) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board
- 4 (IC 25-34.1-8).
- 5 (33) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- 6 (34) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental
- 7 health counselor board (IC 25-23.6).
- 8 (35) Speech-language pathology and audiology board
- 9 (IC 25-35.6-2).
- 10 (36) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 15-5-1.1).
- 11 (b) This section does not apply to a license, certificate, or
- 12 registration that has been revoked or suspended.
- 13 (c) Notwithstanding any other law regarding the reinstatement of a
- 14 delinquent or lapsed license, certificate, or registration, the holder of
- 15 a license, certificate, or registration that was issued by the board that
- 16 is three (3) years or less delinquent must be reinstated upon meeting
- 17 the following requirements:
- 18 (1) Submission of the holder's completed renewal application.
- 19 (2) Payment of the current renewal fee established by the board
- 20 under section 2 of this chapter.
- 21 (3) Payment of a reinstatement fee established by the Indiana
- 22 professional licensing agency.
- 23 (4) If a law requires the holder to complete continuing education
- 24 as a condition of renewal, the holder shall provide the board with
- 25 a sworn statement, signed by the holder, that the holder has
- 26 fulfilled the continuing education requirements required by the
- 27 board for the current renewal period.
- 28 (d) Notwithstanding any other law regarding the reinstatement of a
- 29 delinquent or lapsed license, certificate, or registration, unless a statute
- 30 specifically does not allow a license, certificate, or registration to be
- 31 reinstated if it has lapsed for more than three (3) years, the holder of a
- 32 license, certificate, or registration that was issued by the board that is
- 33 more than three (3) years delinquent must be reinstated upon meeting
- 34 the following requirements:
- 35 (1) Submission of the holder's completed renewal application.
- 36 (2) Payment of the current renewal fee established by the board
- 37 under section 2 of this chapter.
- 38 (3) Payment of a reinstatement fee equal to the current initial
- 39 application fee.
- 40 (4) If a law requires the holder to complete continuing education
- 41 as a condition of renewal, the holder shall provide the board with
- 42 a sworn statement, signed by the holder, that the holder has

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- 1 fulfilled the continuing education requirements required by the
- 2 board for the current renewal period.
- 3 (5) Complete such remediation and additional training as deemed
- 4 appropriate by the board given the lapse of time involved.
- 5 (6) Any other requirement that is provided for in statute or rule
- 6 that is not related to fees.

7 SECTION 9. IC 25-1-11-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 8 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 1. As used in this  
 9 chapter, "board" means any of the following:

- 10 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 11 (2) Board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects,
- 12 **and interior designers** (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 13 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2).
- 14 (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 15 (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 16 (6) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 17 (7) State board of registration of land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 18 (8) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 19 (9) State board of registration for professional engineers
- 20 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 21 (10) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 22 (11) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2-1).
- 23 (12) Real estate appraiser licensure certification board
- 24 (IC 25-34.1-8).
- 25 (13) Private detectives licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.1).
- 26 (14) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 27 (15) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).

28 SECTION 10. IC 25-4-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 29 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 2. (a) There is hereby  
 30 created and established a board of registration for architects, ~~and~~  
 31 landscape architects, **and interior designers**, which shall consist of  
 32 **eight (8) nine (9)** members, who shall be appointed by the governor  
 33 and who shall serve at the will and pleasure of the governor. All  
 34 appointments shall be made for terms of three (3) years, ending on  
 35 December 31. In any case, each member shall serve for the term for  
 36 which the member shall have been appointed and until the member's  
 37 successor shall have been appointed and shall have qualified. Any  
 38 vacancy which may occur in membership of the board for any cause  
 39 shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term.  
 40 Each member of the board shall be entitled to receive as compensation  
 41 for the member's services a salary per diem for each and every day the  
 42 member may be engaged in attending the meetings or transacting the

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1 business of the board. In addition thereto each member shall be entitled  
2 to receive as reimbursement all traveling and other necessary expenses  
3 incurred in the performance of the member's duties as a member of the  
4 board in accordance with travel policies and procedures established by  
5 the department of administration and the state budget agency.

6 (b) Each member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States  
7 of America and a resident of the state of Indiana. Five (5) of the  
8 members must be registered architects under this chapter and shall  
9 have had at least ten (10) years of active architectural practice  
10 preceding the member's appointment.

11 (c) Two (2) members of the board must be registered landscape  
12 architects under this chapter and must have at least ten (10) years of  
13 active landscape architectural practice preceding the member's  
14 appointment.

15 (d) One (1) member of the board, to represent the general public,  
16 shall be a resident of this state who has never been associated with the  
17 architecture or landscape architecture profession in any way other than  
18 as a consumer.

19 (e) **One (1) member of the board must be an interior designer**  
20 **registered under IC 25-4.5 who has at least ten (10) years of active**  
21 **interior design practice preceding the member's appointment. The**  
22 **member is a:**

23 (1) **voting member for all matters dealing with the**  
24 **registration of interior designers and the application of**  
25 **IC 25-4.5; and**

26 (2) **nonvoting member of the board for all other matters.**

27 SECTION 11. IC 25-4-1-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.194-2005,  
28 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
29 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 3. The board shall organize by the election of a  
30 chairman and vice chairman, each of whom shall serve for a term of  
31 one (1) year. The first meeting of the board shall be held within thirty  
32 (30) days after the members thereof shall have been appointed, on call  
33 of the chairman of the board. Thereafter, the board shall hold at least  
34 two (2) regular meetings each year and may hold such special  
35 meetings, as the board in its discretion considers necessary or  
36 advisable. The time for holding the regular meetings, the method of  
37 calling special meetings and the manner of giving notice of all  
38 meetings shall be prescribed in the bylaws of the board. Five (5)  
39 members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of  
40 any and all business which may come before the board. Approval by a  
41 majority of all members of the board shall be required for action to be  
42 taken. The board shall adopt official seals representing the different

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1 professions that shall be affixed to all certificates of registration  
 2 granted and issued as provided in this chapter. Subject to the approval  
 3 of the governor, the board is hereby authorized to make bylaws and  
 4 prescribe and promulgate rules as considered necessary in the  
 5 performance of its duty. The board shall adopt rules establishing  
 6 standards for the competent practice of architecture and landscape  
 7 architecture, and for the administration of the registered architects, ~~and~~  
 8 registered landscape architects, **and registered interior designers**  
 9 investigative fund established by section 32 of this chapter. **The board**  
 10 **shall administer the registration of interior designers as required**  
 11 **by IC 25-4.5.** Suitable office quarters shall be provided for the use of  
 12 the board in the city of Indianapolis.

13 SECTION 12. IC 25-4-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.194-2005,  
 14 SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 15 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 4. The board shall be entitled to the services of the  
 16 attorney general in connection with any of the business of the board.  
 17 The board shall have the power to administer oaths and take testimony  
 18 and proofs concerning any matter which may come within its  
 19 jurisdiction. The attorney general, the prosecuting attorney of any  
 20 county, the board, or a citizen of a county wherein any person, not  
 21 herein exempted, shall engage in the practice of architecture or  
 22 landscape architecture, as herein defined, without first having obtained  
 23 a certificate of registration, or without first having renewed an expired  
 24 certificate of registration, so to practice, may, in accordance with the  
 25 provisions of the laws of this state governing injunctions, maintain an  
 26 action, in the name of the state of Indiana, to enjoin such person from  
 27 engaging in the practice of architecture or landscape architecture, as  
 28 herein defined, until a certificate of registration is secured, or renewed,  
 29 in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Any person who has  
 30 been so enjoined and who violates the injunction shall be punished for  
 31 contempt of court. The injunction shall not relieve such person so  
 32 practicing architecture or landscape architecture without a certificate  
 33 of registration, or without first having renewed an expired certificate of  
 34 registration, from a criminal prosecution therefor, as is provided by this  
 35 chapter, but such remedy by injunction shall be in addition to any  
 36 remedy provided for herein for the criminal prosecution of such  
 37 offender. In charging any person in a complaint for an injunction, or in  
 38 an affidavit, information or indictment, with the violation of the  
 39 provisions of this chapter, by practicing architecture or landscape  
 40 architecture without a certificate of registration or without having  
 41 renewed an expired certificate of registration, it shall be sufficient to  
 42 charge that the person did upon a certain day and in a certain county

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1 engage in the practice of architecture or landscape architecture, without  
 2 having a certificate of registration or without having renewed an  
 3 expired certificate of registration, to so practice, without averring any  
 4 further or more particular facts concerning the same. The attorney  
 5 general and the Indiana professional licensing agency may use the  
 6 registered architects, ~~and~~ registered landscape architects, **and**  
 7 **registered interior designers** investigative fund established by section  
 8 32 of this chapter to hire investigators and other employees to enforce  
 9 the provisions of this article and to investigate and prosecute violations  
 10 of this article.

11 SECTION 13. IC 25-4-1-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 12 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 12. The board shall  
 13 issue certificates of registration only as provided in sections 7, 8, 9 and  
 14 10 of this chapter **and IC 25-4.5.**

15 SECTION 14. IC 25-4-1-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.177-2006,  
 16 SECTION 1, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.157-2006, SECTION 22,  
 17 IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 18 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 16. (a) The fee to be paid by an  
 19 applicant for an examination to determine the applicant's fitness to  
 20 receive a certificate of registration as a registered architect shall be  
 21 established by the board under IC 25-1-8-2.

22 (b) The fee to be paid by an applicant for a certificate of registration  
 23 as a registered architect shall be established by the board under  
 24 IC 25-1-8-2.

25 (c) The fee to be paid for the restoration of an expired certificate of  
 26 registration as a registered architect shall be established under  
 27 ~~IC 25-1-8-7.~~ IC 25-1-8-6. The restoration fee shall be in addition to all  
 28 unpaid renewal fees.

29 (d) The fee to be paid upon renewal of a certificate of registration  
 30 shall be established by the board under IC 25-1-8-2.

31 (e) The fee to be paid by an applicant for a certificate of registration  
 32 who is an architect registered or licensed under the laws of another  
 33 state or territory of the United States, or of a foreign country or  
 34 province, shall be established by the board under IC 25-1-8-2.

35 (f) *In addition to the registration fees established under this section,*  
 36 *the board shall establish a fee of not more than twenty dollars (\$20)*  
 37 *for registered architects, ~~and~~ registered landscape architects, and*  
 38 **registered interior designers** *to be paid at the time of:*

- 39 (1) *issuance of a certificate of registration; and*
- 40 (2) *renewal of a certificate of registration;*
- 41 *under this article to provide funds for administering and enforcing this*
- 42 *article, including investigating and taking action against persons*

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1 *violating this article. All funds collected under this subsection shall be*  
2 *deposited into the registered architects, ~~and~~ registered landscape*  
3 *architects, **and registered interior designers** investigative fund*  
4 *established by section 32 of this chapter.*

5 SECTION 15. IC 25-4-1-22 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
6 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 22. Except where the  
7 context clearly indicates a different meaning, the following terms, as  
8 used in this chapter, shall be construed to have the meaning hereinafter  
9 indicated:

10 The term "board" shall be construed to mean the board of  
11 registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects, **and interior**  
12 **designers.**

13 SECTION 16. IC 25-4-1-25 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
14 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 25. The board shall  
15 keep a record open to public inspection at all reasonable times of its  
16 proceedings relating to the issuance, refusal, renewal, suspension or  
17 revocation of certificates of registration. This record shall also contain  
18 the name, place of business and residence, and the date and number of  
19 registration of each registered architect, ~~and~~ landscape architect, **and**  
20 **interior designer** in this state.

21 SECTION 17. IC 25-4-1-29 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
22 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 29. (a) Except as  
23 hereinafter otherwise provided, the state of Indiana, nor any board,  
24 department or agency thereof, nor any county, city, town, township,  
25 school corporations, or other political subdivision of this state shall  
26 engage in the construction, alteration, or maintenance of any public  
27 building or public work involving the practice of architecture for which  
28 plans, specifications and estimates have not been prepared, certified,  
29 and sealed by, and the construction, alteration, or maintenance  
30 executed under the direct supervision of an architect, which architect  
31 shall be the holder in good standing of a certificate of registration from  
32 the board of registration for architects, ~~and~~ landscape architects, **and**  
33 **interior designers** entitling ~~him~~ **the architect** to practice architecture  
34 in this state.

35 (b) No official of this state, nor of any city, town, county, township,  
36 or school corporation thereof, charged with the enforcement of any law,  
37 ordinance, or rule relating to the construction or alteration of buildings  
38 or structures, shall use or accept or approve any plans or specifications  
39 that have not been prepared by, or under the supervision of, and  
40 certified by a registered architect. This subsection shall not apply if  
41 such plans or specifications have been prepared by, or under the  
42 supervision of and certified by a professional engineer who is

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1 registered under the laws of the state of Indiana. This subsection shall  
 2 not apply to the construction or alteration of any building or structures  
 3 specifically exempted from the rules of the fire prevention and building  
 4 safety commission or specifically exempted from the fire prevention  
 5 and building safety commission requirements for preparation of such  
 6 plans and specifications by registered architects or registered  
 7 engineers. This section shall not be construed as to abridge, or  
 8 otherwise affect, the powers of the fire prevention and building safety  
 9 commission, or any other state board or department, to issue rules  
 10 governing the safety of buildings or structures. **This subsection does**  
 11 **not apply if the plans or specifications are solely interior design as**  
 12 **defined in IC 25-4.5-2-5 and have been prepared by, or under the**  
 13 **supervision of and certified by, an interior designer who is**  
 14 **registered under the laws of the state of Indiana.**

15 SECTION 18. IC 25-4-1-32, AS AMENDED BY P.L.177-2006,  
 16 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 17 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 32. (a) The registered architects, ~~and~~ registered  
 18 landscape architects, **and registered interior designers** investigative  
 19 fund is established to provide funds for administering and enforcing the  
 20 provisions of this article **and IC 25-4.5**, including investigating and  
 21 taking enforcement action against violators of this article. The fund  
 22 shall be administered by the attorney general and the Indiana  
 23 professional licensing agency.

24 (b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from the  
 25 money in the fund. The fund consists of money from a fee imposed  
 26 upon:

27 (1) registered architects and registered landscape architects under  
 28 section 16(f) of this chapter; **and**

29 (2) **interior designers under IC 25-4.5-3-5.**

30 (c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not  
 31 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same  
 32 manner as other public money may be invested.

33 (d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert  
 34 to the state general fund. If the total amount in the fund exceeds five  
 35 hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) at the end of a state fiscal year  
 36 after payment of all claims and expenses, the amount that exceeds five  
 37 hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) reverts to the state general fund.

38 (e) Money in the fund is continually appropriated for use by the  
 39 attorney general and the Indiana professional licensing agency to  
 40 administer and enforce the provisions of this article **and IC 25-4.5** and  
 41 to conduct investigations and take enforcement action against persons  
 42 violating the provisions of this article **and IC 25-4.5.**

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1 SECTION 19. IC 25-4-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this  
3 chapter, "board" means the board of registration for architects, ~~and~~  
4 landscape architects, **and interior designers** as established under  
5 IC 25-4-1-2.

6 (b) As used in this chapter, "landscape architecture" means the  
7 practice of professional services such as consultation, investigation,  
8 reconnaissance, research, planning, design, or responsible supervision  
9 to develop land areas for the dominant purpose of preserving,  
10 enhancing, or determining:

- 11 (1) proper land uses;
- 12 (2) natural land features;
- 13 (3) ground cover and planting;
- 14 (4) naturalistic and aesthetic values;
- 15 (5) the settings and approaches to structures or other
- 16 improvements;
- 17 (6) the natural environment of a facility, an individual building,
- 18 or other structure;
- 19 (7) site specific natural surface and subsoil drainage systems;
- 20 (8) landscape grading, swales, curbs, and walkways; and
- 21 (9) any inherent problems of the land relating to erosion, overuse,
- 22 blight, or other hazards.

23 The term includes the location and arrangement of the proposed  
24 tangible objects and features that are incidental and necessary to  
25 accomplish the purposes of landscape architecture.

26 (c) As used in this chapter, "practitioner" means an individual  
27 registered as a landscape architect under this chapter.

28 (d) Except as provided in subsection (b), this chapter does not  
29 authorize a practitioner to:

- 30 (1) engage in the design of mechanical lift stations, sewage
- 31 treatment facilities, sanitary and combined sewers, storm water
- 32 management projects, public, semipublic, and private utilities, or
- 33 other structures or facilities with separate and self-contained
- 34 purposes, if the design work is ordinarily included in the practice
- 35 of architecture or engineering;
- 36 (2) engage in the design of highways or traffic control devices;
- 37 (3) engage in the scientific analysis of hazardous material
- 38 contamination;
- 39 (4) engage in topographic mapping or the certification of land
- 40 surveys or final land plats for official approval or recording;
- 41 (5) otherwise engage in the practice of architecture (as defined in
- 42 IC 25-4-1);

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- 1 (6) otherwise engage in the practice of professional engineering
- 2 (as defined in IC 25-31);
- 3 (7) engage in the practice of land surveying (as defined in
- 4 IC 25-21.5); or
- 5 (8) engage in the practice of professional geology (as defined in
- 6 IC 25-17.6).

7 (e) This chapter, except section 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(2) of this  
 8 chapter, does not apply to:

- 9 (1) the practice of landscape architecture by any person who acts
- 10 under the supervision of a practitioner or by an employee of a
- 11 person lawfully engaged in the practice of landscape architecture
- 12 and who, in either event, does not assume responsible charge of
- 13 design or supervision;
- 14 (2) the practice of architecture or land planning and proper land
- 15 usage by a duly registered professional architect or the doing of
- 16 landscape architectural work by a registered architect or by an
- 17 employee under the supervision of a registered architect;
- 18 (3) the practice of engineering or land planning and proper land
- 19 usage by a duly registered professional engineer and the doing of
- 20 landscape architectural work by a registered professional engineer
- 21 or by an employee under supervision of a registered professional
- 22 engineer;
- 23 (4) the practice of surveying or land planning and proper land
- 24 usage by a registered land surveyor and the doing of landscape
- 25 architectural work by a registered land surveyor or by an
- 26 employee under supervision of a registered land surveyor;
- 27 (5) the practice of landscape architecture by employees of the
- 28 United States government while engaged within this state in the
- 29 practice of landscape architecture for the United States
- 30 government;
- 31 (6) the practice of planning as is customarily done by regional,
- 32 park, or urban planners;
- 33 (7) the practice of arborists, foresters, gardeners, turf managers,
- 34 home builders, horticulturists, farmers, and other similar persons;
- 35 (8) the practice of any nurseryman or general or landscape
- 36 contractor, including design, planning, location, planting and
- 37 arrangements of plantings or other ornamental features; or
- 38 (9) the practice of natural resource professionals, including
- 39 biologists, geologists, or soil scientists.

40 SECTION 20. IC 25-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
 41 A NEW ARTICLE TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
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**ARTICLE 4.5. INTERIOR DESIGNERS**

**Chapter 1. Application**

**Sec. 1. This article applies to a person who practices interior design after December 31, 2007.**

**Sec. 2. This article does not apply to an owner or employee of a retail establishment who provides consultation regarding interior decoration or furnishing:**

- (1) on the premises of the retail establishment; or**
- (2) for purposes of an actual or a prospective retail sale.**

**Sec. 3. This article does not apply to a person who:**

- (1) does not profess to be a registered interior designer; and**
- (2) is:**

- (A) an architect registered under IC 25-4; or**
- (B) a professional engineer registered under IC 25-31.**

**Chapter 2. Definitions**

**Sec. 1. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this article.**

**Sec. 2. "Applicant" means an interior designer who applies for a certificate of registration under this article.**

**Sec. 3. "ARE" refers to the Architectural Registration Exam.**

**Sec. 4. "Board" means the board of registration for architects, landscape architects, and interior designers established under IC 25-4-1-2.**

**Sec. 5. (a) "Interior design" means client consultation and preparation and administration of design documents that include:**

- (1) design studies;**
- (2) drawings;**
- (3) schedules;**
- (4) specifications; and**
- (5) contracts;**

**relating to nonstructural and nonseismic interior elements of a building or structure.**

**(b) The term includes design documents for space plans, reflected ceiling plans, fire codes, permits, entrances, egress, ergonomics, and the design or specification of fixtures, furnishings, equipment, cabinetry, lighting, materials, finishes, and interior construction that does not materially affect the building system.**

**(c) The term does not include the architectural and engineering design of interior construction.**

**Sec. 6. "Interior designer" means a person who practices interior design.**

**Sec. 7. "NCIDQ" refers to the National Council for Interior**

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1 **Design Qualification.**

2 **Sec. 8. (a) "Nonstructural or nonseismic" means interior**  
3 **elements or components that:**

4 (1) **are not load bearing or do not assist in the seismic design**  
5 **of a building;**

6 (2) **do not require design computations for the structure of a**  
7 **building; and**

8 (3) **do not include the structural frame system supporting a**  
9 **building.**

10 (b) **The term includes ceiling and partition systems that employ**  
11 **normal and typical bracing conventions and are not part of the**  
12 **structural integrity of the building.**

13 **Sec. 9. "Out-of-state applicant" means an individual who is:**

14 (1) **an interior designer registered or licensed under the laws**  
15 **of another state, a foreign country, or a province in a foreign**  
16 **country; and**

17 (2) **an applicant for a certificate of registration under this**  
18 **article.**

19 **Sec. 10. "Reflected ceiling plan" means a ceiling design that**  
20 **illustrates a ceiling as if the ceiling were projected downward and**  
21 **may include lighting elements.**

22 **Sec. 11. "Registered interior designer" means a person**  
23 **registered under this article.**

24 **Sec. 12. "Space planning" means the analysis of design of spatial**  
25 **and occupancy requirements, including space layouts and final**  
26 **planning.**

27 **Chapter 3. Registration Requirements**

28 **Sec. 1. (a) The board shall maintain a registry of all interior**  
29 **designers who:**

30 (1) **apply for and meet the registration requirements under**  
31 **this article; and**

32 (2) **pay the annual registration fee.**

33 (b) **The registry must:**

34 (1) **be maintained in an electronic format; and**

35 (2) **include the:**

36 (A) **name of each registered interior designer; and**

37 (B) **date the interior designer registered with the board**  
38 **under this article.**

39 **Sec. 2. The board shall issue a certificate of registration to an**  
40 **applicant who does the following:**

41 (1) **Applies for the certificate of registration on a form**  
42 **prescribed by the board.**

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- 1           (2) Meets the requirements of this article.
- 2           (3) Pays the registration fee under section 5 of this chapter.
- 3           **Sec. 3. The board shall issue a certificate of registration to an**
- 4 **applicant who satisfies section 2 of this chapter and the following:**
- 5           (1) Meets one (1) of the following requirements:
- 6               (A) Completes a degree in interior design or a similar
- 7               discipline from an accredited college or university.
- 8               (B) Obtains:
- 9                   (i) four (4) years of interior design higher education and
- 10                  two (2) years of full-time work experience in interior
- 11                  design;
- 12                   (ii) three (3) years of interior design higher education
- 13                  and three (3) years of full-time work experience in
- 14                  interior design; or
- 15                   (iii) two (2) years of interior design education and four
- 16                  (4) years of full-time work experience in interior design.
- 17           (2) Except as provided in section 4 of this chapter, an
- 18           applicant must pass:
- 19               (A) the examination administered by the NCIDQ; or
- 20               (B) the ARE.
- 21           **Sec. 4. The examination requirement under section 3(2) of this**
- 22 **chapter is waived if the applicant holds:**
- 23           (1) a valid license or certificate in interior design from an
- 24           authority in another jurisdiction that has standards
- 25           substantially equivalent to the standards established under
- 26           this article; and
- 27           (2) a current certificate issued by the NCIDQ or
- 28           documentation of the successful completion of the ARE.
- 29           **Sec. 5. (a) The board shall collect the following fees under this**
- 30 **article:**
- 31           (1) An initial registration fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).
- 32           (2) A biennial renewal fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).
- 33           (3) A restoration fee of three hundred dollars (\$300).
- 34           (b) The fees collected by the board under this article shall be
- 35           deposited into the registered architects, registered landscape
- 36           architects, and registered interior designers investigative fund
- 37           established under IC 25-4-1-32.
- 38           **Sec. 6. To qualify for registration under this article, the**
- 39 **applicant must not have a conviction for:**
- 40           (1) an act that would constitute a ground for disciplinary
- 41           sanction under IC 25-1-11; or
- 42           (2) a felony that has a direct bearing on the applicant's ability

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to practice competently.

**Sec. 7. The board shall grant a certificate of registration to an out-of-state applicant on the following conditions:**

**(1) The out-of-state applicant must:**

**(A) be at least eighteen (18) years of age; and**

**(B) pay the fee under section 5 of this chapter.**

**(2) The out-of-state applicant must:**

**(A) pass:**

**(i) the examination administered by the NCIDQ; or**

**(ii) the ARE; or**

**(B) hold a valid license or certificate of registration in interior design from an authority in another jurisdiction that has standards substantially equivalent to the standards established under this article.**

**(3) The out-of-state applicant must not have been convicted of:**

**(A) an act that would constitute a ground for disciplinary sanction under IC 25-1-11; or**

**(B) a felony that has a direct bearing on the applicant's ability to practice competently.**

**Sec. 8. A registered interior designer shall display the certificate of registration in a conspicuous place in the:**

**(1) principal office;**

**(2) place of business; or**

**(3) place of employment;**

**of the registered interior designer.**

**Sec. 9. (a) A registered interior designer shall have a seal or design authorized by the board, the impression of which must contain:**

**(1) the name of the interior designer;**

**(2) the words, "registered interior designer" and "state of Indiana"; and**

**(3) the expiration date of the certificate of registration.**

**(b) A registered interior designer must place the seal or design described in subsection (a) and signature of the registered interior designer on any interior design construction documents issued by the registered interior designer and filed for public record to obtain a building permit, including:**

**(1) drawings;**

**(2) plans;**

**(3) specifications; and**

**(4) reports.**

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1 The state and a political subdivision of this state shall accept the  
2 seal or design described under this section of a registered interior  
3 designer when the registered interior designer is submitting plans  
4 for approval by the state or political subdivision.

5 (c) If a certificate of registration is revoked or suspended, the  
6 interior designer shall return the seal or design to the board not  
7 later than thirty (30) days after the date the certificate is revoked  
8 or suspended. The board shall return the seal or design to the  
9 interior designer if the suspension is removed.

10 Sec. 10. The board may issue a certificate of registration to an  
11 applicant who completes the requirements under section 2 of this  
12 chapter if the applicant provides proof to the board that:

- 13 (1) the applicant has:
  - 14 (A) received at least two (2) years of interior design
  - 15 education; and
  - 16 (B) practiced in the field of interior design for at least ten
  - 17 (10) years; or
- 18 (2) the applicant has practiced interior design for at least
- 19 fifteen (15) years.

20 However, an interior designer registered under this section may  
21 not place a seal or design and signature on interior design  
22 construction documents as set forth in section 9(b) of this chapter  
23 to obtain a building permit unless the interior designer has passed  
24 the examination administered by the NCIDQ or the ARE.

25 Sec. 11. The board shall keep a register of all applicants who  
26 apply for a certificate of registration, showing for each applicant:

- 27 (1) the date of application;
- 28 (2) the name, age, and other qualifications;
- 29 (3) the place of business;
- 30 (4) the place of residence;
- 31 (5) whether the applicant was denied or granted a certificate
- 32 of registration under this article; and
- 33 (6) the date the applicant was denied or granted a certificate
- 34 of registration.

35 **Chapter 4. Renewal and Restoration of a Certificate of**  
36 **Registration**

37 Sec. 1. A registered interior designer who applies to renew a  
38 certificate of registration under this chapter must:

- 39 (1) furnish evidence showing successful completion of the
- 40 continuing education requirements under section 3 of this
- 41 chapter; and
- 42 (2) pay the renewal fee under IC 25-4.5-3-5.

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**Sec. 2. The board shall do the following:**

- (1) Send renewal notices in accordance with IC 25-1-2-6(c).**
- (2) Accept cash, a draft, a money order, a cashier's check, or a certified or other personal check for a payment of the renewal fee. If the board receives an uncertified personal check for the payment of a fee and if the check does not clear the bank, the board may void the certificate of registration for which the check was received.**

**Sec. 3. A registered interior designer must complete at least twelve (12) hours of continuing education in interior design or a discipline related to the practice of interior design for the renewal of a certificate of registration under this chapter.**

**Sec. 4. (a) A registered interior designer who continues to actively practice interior design shall:**

- (1) renew the certificate of registration not more than ninety (90) days before the expiration of the certificate; and**
- (2) pay the renewal fee under IC 25-4.5-3-5.**

**(b) Subject to subsection (c), a registered interior designer who fails to renew the interior designer's certificate of registration for a period of not more than five (5) years after the date the certificate of registration expires may have the certificate of registration renewed at any time within the five (5) year period after the certificate of registration expires upon:**

- (1) making application to the board for renewal of the certificate of registration; and**
- (2) paying a renewal fee equal to the sum of the renewal fees that the applicant would have paid if the applicant had regularly renewed the certificate of registration during the period the certificate of registration lapsed.**

**(c) If a registered interior designer desires to retire from the practice of interior design in Indiana, the interior designer may submit to the board a verified statement of intention to withdraw from practice. The statement shall be entered in the records of the board. During the period of the interior designer's retirement, the interior designer is not liable for any renewal or restoration fees. If a retired interior designer desires to return to the practice of interior design in Indiana not later than five (5) years after the date the interior designer files a statement under this subsection, the retired interior designer must:**

- (1) file with the board a verified statement indicating the interior designer's desire to return to the practice of interior design; and**

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**(2) pay:**

**(A) the renewal fee under IC 25-4.5-3-5 to renew an unexpired certificate of registration under this chapter, if the retired interior designer's certificate of registration is renewed for one (1) year or more in a biennial renewal cycle; or**

**(B) a renewal fee equal to one-half (1/2) the renewal fee under IC 25-4.5-3-5 to renew an unexpired certificate of registration under this chapter, if the retired interior designer's certificate of registration is renewed for less than one (1) year in a biennial renewal cycle.**

**(d) After the five (5) year period set forth in subsection (c), a retired registered interior designer who desires to return to the practice of interior design in Indiana must:**

- (1) apply to the board for a new certificate of registration;**
- (2) pay the initial registration fee under IC 25-4.5-3-5; and**
- (3) meet the requirements of this article.**

**Sec. 5. After the five (5) year period set forth in section 4(b) of this chapter, an interior designer whose certificate of registration has expired may have the certificate of registration restored only upon:**

- (1) making application to the board for restoration of the certificate of registration; and**
- (2) paying the restoration fee under IC 25-4.5-3-5.**

**Chapter 5. Restrictions; Enforcement**

**Sec. 1. (a) A person may not use the title "registered interior designer" or any title designation sign, card, or device indicating that the person is a registered interior designer unless the person has registered with the board under this article.**

**(b) A person may not:**

- (1) present as the person's own a:**
  - (A) certificate of registration under this article; or**
  - (B) seal or design authorized under IC 25-4.5-3-9; of another person;**
- (2) give any false or forged evidence of any kind:**
  - (A) to the board; or**
  - (B) in obtaining a certificate of registration;**
- (3) impersonate any other registered interior designer; or**
- (4) use an expired, suspended, or revoked certificate of registration.**

**(c) A person who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally violates this section commits a Class B misdemeanor.**

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1           **Sec. 2. The board may suspend or revoke a certificate of**  
2 **registration under this article for a violation under section 1(b) of**  
3 **this chapter.**

4           **Sec. 3. This article does not prevent a person from practicing**  
5 **interior design if the person does not use a title or designation**  
6 **under section 1(a) of this chapter.**

7           **Sec. 4. (a) If an interior designer has a civil judgment entered**  
8 **against the interior designer by a court with jurisdiction in a civil**  
9 **judicial proceeding for negligence, recklessness, willful misconduct,**  
10 **or other breach of a standard of care in the practice of interior**  
11 **design, the board shall immediately revoke the interior designer's**  
12 **certificate of registration under this article.**

13           **(b) An interior designer who has a civil judgment described in**  
14 **subsection (a) entered against the interior designer may not be**  
15 **registered under this article.**

16           **SECTION 21. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007] (a) The board of**  
17 **registration for architects, landscape architects, and interior**  
18 **designers established under IC 25-4-1-2, as amended by this act,**  
19 **shall authorize and approve a seal or design as provided under**  
20 **IC 25-4.5-3-9, as added by this act, by September 30, 2007.**

21           **(b) The seal or design described under subsection (a) must be**  
22 **available for use not later than September 30, 2007.**

23           **(c) This SECTION expires December 31, 2007.**

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