### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 116–COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

## (ON BEHALF OF BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, INTERIOR DESIGN AND RESIDENTIAL DESIGN)

# FEBRUARY 4, 1999

### Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Prohibits persons from assisting others in unauthorized practice of architecture, interior design or residential design. (BDR 54-655)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to professional occupations; prohibiting a person from aiding or abetting another person in the unauthorized practice of architecture, interior design or residential design; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

### THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** NRS 623.360 is hereby amended to read as follows: 1
- 623.360 1. It is unlawful for any person to:
- (a) Hold himself out to the public or to solicit business as an architect,
- registered interior designer or residential designer in this state without
- having a certificate of registration or temporary certificate issued by the
- board. This paragraph does not prohibit a person who is exempt, pursuant
- to NRS 623.330, from the provisions of this chapter from holding himself
- out to the public or soliciting business as an interior designer.
  - (b) Advertise or put out any sign, card or other device which indicates
- to the public that he is an architect, registered interior designer or
- residential designer or that he is otherwise qualified to:
- (1) Engage in the practice of architecture or residential design; or 12
- (2) Practice as a registered interior designer. 13
- of registration a certificate without having issued by the board.

- (c) Engage in the practice of architecture or residential design or practice as a registered interior designer without a certificate of registration issued by the board.
  - (d) Aid or abet any unauthorized person to practice:
- (1) Architecture or residential design; or
  - (2) As a registered interior designer.

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- (e) Violate any other provision of this chapter.
- 2. Any person who violates any of the provisions of subsection 1:
- 9 (a) For the first violation, is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be
  10 punished by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000, and may be
  11 further punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 6
  12 months.
  - (b) For the second or any subsequent violation, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,000, and may be further punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 1 year.
- 3. If any person has engaged or is about to engage in any acts or practices which constitute or will constitute an offense against this chapter, the district court of any county, on application of the board, may issue an injunction or other appropriate order restraining such conduct. Proceedings pursuant to this subsection are governed by Rule 65 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure, except that no bond or undertaking is required in any action commenced by the board.
- Sec. 2. The amendatory provisions of this act do not apply to offenses that are committed before October 1, 1999.

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