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SENATE BILL NO. 135—COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

FEBRUARY 25, 2005

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing certification of registered interior designers. (BDR 54-744)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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AN ACT relating to interior designers; revising provisions governing the qualifications of an applicant for a certificate of registration to practice as a registered interior designer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law requires an applicant for a certificate of registration to practice as  
2 a registered interior designer to submit proof to the State Board of Architecture,  
3 Interior Design and Residential Design that the applicant meets certain  
4 qualifications, including that the applicant has successfully completed a program of  
5 interior design accredited by the Foundation for Interior Design Education  
6 Research or a substantially equivalent program approved by the Board.  
7 (NRS 623.192)

8 This bill revises these qualifications for a registered interior designer. If an  
9 applicant has not completed a program of interior design accredited by the  
10 Foundation or a substantially equivalent program approved by the Board, the  
11 applicant may submit proof that the applicant has obtained a bachelor's degree or  
12 higher degree from a program of interior design more than 5 years before the date  
13 of the application. If the applicant submits such proof, the Board may determine  
14 whether the applicant possesses a suitable combination of education and experience  
15 in interior design to be issued a certificate of registration to practice as a registered  
16 interior designer.

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

1       **Section 1.** NRS 623.192 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2       623.192 1. An applicant for a certificate of registration to  
3 practice as a registered interior designer must be of good moral  
4 character and submit to the Board:  
5       (a) An application on a form provided by the Board;  
6       (b) The fees required pursuant to NRS 623.310;  
7       (c) The statement required pursuant to NRS 623.225;  
8       (d) Proof which is satisfactory to the Board that ~~he has:~~  
9 ~~— (1) At~~ *the applicant has at* least 2 years of experience in  
10 interior design; ~~and~~  
11 ~~— (2) Successfully completed a]~~  
12       *(e) Proof which is satisfactory to the Board that the applicant*  
13 *has successfully completed:*  
14        (1) A program of interior design accredited by the  
15 Foundation for Interior Design Education Research or ~~at~~ *any*  
16 *successor in interest to that organization;*  
17        (2) A substantially equivalent program *of interior design*  
18 approved by the Board; ~~and~~  
19 ~~— (e)] or~~  
20        (3) *A program of interior design, other than a program*  
21 *described in subparagraph (1) or (2), which culminated in the*  
22 *award of a bachelor's degree or higher degree more than 5 years*  
23 *before the date of the application if the applicant possesses a*  
24 *combination of education and experience in interior design*  
25 *deemed suitable by the Board; and*  
26        (f) A certificate issued by the National Council for Interior  
27 Design Qualification as proof that ~~he]~~ *the applicant* has passed the  
28 examination prepared and administered by that organization.  
29       2. The Board shall, by regulation, adopt the standards of the  
30 National Council for Interior Design Qualification for the  
31 experience required pursuant to the provisions of *paragraph (d) of*  
32 *subsection 1* as those standards exist on the date of the adoption of  
33 the regulation.  
34       3. Before being issued a certificate of registration to practice as  
35 a registered interior designer, each applicant must personally appear  
36 before the Board to take an oath prescribed by the Board.  
37       4. Any application submitted to the Board may be denied for  
38 any violation of the provisions of this chapter.  
39       **Sec. 2.** NRS 623.192 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
40       623.192 1. An applicant for a certificate of registration to  
41 practice as a registered interior designer must be of good moral  
42 character and submit to the Board:



- 1 (a) An application on a form provided by the Board;
- 2 (b) The fees required pursuant to NRS 623.310;
- 3 (c) Proof which is satisfactory to the Board that ~~he has:~~

4 ~~(1) At~~ *the applicant has at* least 2 years of experience in  
5 interior design; ~~and~~

6 ~~(2) Successfully completed a]~~

7 *(d) Proof which is satisfactory to the Board that the applicant*  
8 *has successfully completed:*

9 *(1) A program of interior design accredited by the*  
10 *Foundation for Interior Design Education Research or ~~at~~ any*  
11 *successor in interest to that organization;*

12 *(2) A substantially equivalent program of interior design*  
13 *approved by the Board; ~~and~~*

14 ~~(d)] or~~

15 *(3) A program of interior design, other than a program*  
16 *described in subparagraph (1) or (2), which culminated in the*  
17 *award of a bachelor's degree or higher degree more than 5 years*  
18 *before the date of the application if the applicant possesses a*  
19 *combination of education and experience in interior design*  
20 *deemed suitable by the Board; and*

21 *(e) A certificate issued by the National Council for Interior*  
22 *Design Qualification as proof that ~~he~~ the applicant has passed the*  
23 *examination prepared and administered by that organization.*

24 2. The Board shall, by regulation, adopt the standards of the  
25 National Council for Interior Design Qualification for the  
26 experience required pursuant to the provisions of *paragraph (c) of*  
27 subsection 1 as those standards exist on the date of the adoption of  
28 the regulation.

29 3. Before being issued a certificate of registration to practice as  
30 a registered interior designer, each applicant must personally appear  
31 before the Board to take an oath prescribed by the Board.

32 4. Any application submitted to the Board may be denied for  
33 any violation of the provisions of this chapter.

34 **Sec. 3.** NRS 623.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 623.215 The Board may accept satisfactory evidence of  
36 registration as an interior designer in another jurisdiction where the  
37 qualifications required are equal to those required in paragraphs (d),  
38 (e) and ~~(e)] (f)~~ of subsection 1 of NRS 623.192 at the date of  
39 application. Before the Board may accept that evidence, the  
40 applicant must pass the examination required pursuant to the  
41 provisions of subsection 3 of NRS 623.200.

42 **Sec. 4.** NRS 623.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 623.215 The Board may accept satisfactory evidence of  
44 registration as an interior designer in another jurisdiction where the  
45 qualifications required are equal to those required in paragraphs (c),



1 (d) and ~~(d)~~ (e) of subsection 1 of NRS 623.192 at the date of  
2 application. Before the Board may accept that evidence, the  
3 applicant must pass the examination required pursuant to the  
4 provisions of subsection 3 of NRS 623.200.

5 **Sec. 5.** 1. This section and sections 1 and 3 of this act  
6 become effective upon passage and approval.

7 2. Sections 1 and 3 of this act expire by limitation on the date  
8 on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to  
9 establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold  
10 or suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and  
11 recreational licenses of persons who:

12 (a) Have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to  
13 a proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or  
14 enforce an obligation for the support of a child; or

15 (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more  
16 children,

17 ➤ are repealed by the Congress of the United States.

18 3. Sections 2 and 4 of this act become effective on the date on  
19 which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to  
20 establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold  
21 or suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and  
22 recreational licenses of persons who:

23 (a) Have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to  
24 a proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or  
25 enforce an obligation for the support of a child; or

26 (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more  
27 children,

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