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AN ACT relating to design professions; creating a requirement for a written contract for professional services between a client and an architect, registered interior designer or residential designer in certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Section 1 of this bill requires that a written contract containing certain provisions be executed between an architect, registered interior designer or residential designer and a client before any professional services are provided. **Section 1** also allows professional services to be provided before execution of a contract if the client agrees in writing and allows professional services to be provided without a contract in certain circumstances.

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

Section 1. Chapter 623 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, an architect, registered interior designer or residential designer shall execute a written contract with a client before providing professional services to the client.

2. A contract created pursuant to subsection 1 must contain, but is not limited to, the following:

(a) A description of the services to be provided to the client by the architect, registered interior designer or residential designer;

(b) A description of the basis for compensation and the method of payment;

(c) The name, address and certificate number of the architect, registered interior designer or residential designer and the name and address of the client;

(d) A description of the procedure that the architect, registered interior designer or residential designer and the client will use to accommodate additional services;

(e) A statement identifying the ownership or reuse of documents prepared by the architect, registered interior designer or residential designer; and

(f) A description of the procedure to be used by either party to terminate the contract.

3. An architect, registered interior designer or residential designer may provide professional services to a client before the



execution of a written contract only if the client agrees in writing that a written contract is not needed before work begins.

4. A contract created pursuant to subsection 1 is not required for professional services rendered by an architect, registered interior designer or residential designer:

(a) For which the client will not pay compensation;

(b) When, after full disclosure of the requirements of this section, the client agrees in writing that a contract meeting the requirements of subsection 1 is not required; or

(c) To a person who holds a certificate of registration as a landscape architect pursuant to chapter 623A of NRS or a person who is licensed as a professional engineer pursuant to chapter 625 of NRS.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

