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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR ENGROSSED
5 SENATE BILL NO. 592

By: Ford of the Senate

and

Sears of the House

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9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 An act relating to professions and occupations; amending 59 O.S. 2001, Sections
11 46.1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, 46.2, 46.3, 46.4 and
12 46.7, as last amended by Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006, 46.8a
13 and 46.9, as amended by Sections 7 and 8, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, 46.10, as
14 last amended by Section 5, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006, 46.12, 46.14, 46.17,
15 46.18, 46.19 and 46.21, as amended by Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16,
16 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, 46.21b, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 50,
17 O.S.L. 2007, 46.24, as amended by Section 18, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, 46.25,
18 as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006, 46.28, as last amended
19 by Section 20, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, 46.31 and 46.34, as last amended by
20 Sections 8 and 9, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006, and Sections 27, Chapter 163,
21 O.S.L. 2006, as amended by Section 10, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006, 28, Chapter
22 163, O.S.L. 2006, 29, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, as amended by Section 2,
23 Chapter 50, O.S.L. 2007 and 30, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, as amended by
24 Section 11, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Sections 46.1, 46.2,
46.3, 46.4, 46.7, 46.8a, 46.9, 46.10, 46.12, 46.14, 46.17, 46.18, 46.19, 46.21,
46.21b, 46.24, 46.25, 46.28, 46.31, 46.34, 46.38, 46.39, 46.40 and 46.41), which
relate to the State Architectural and Interior Designers Act; changing name of
act to the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act; changing
name of governing board to the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects,
Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma; providing
for registered interior designers; requiring compliance with certain rules;
modifying powers of the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects,
Landscape Architects, and Registered Interior Designers; modifying title
authorized by licensure; authorizing certain acts by licensed architects;
providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 46.1 This act shall be known and may be cited as the “State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act”.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 46.2 In order to safeguard life, health and property and to promote the public welfare, the professions of architecture or landscape architecture are declared to be subject to regulation in the public interest. It is unlawful for any person to practice or offer to practice architecture or landscape architecture in this state, as defined in the provisions of Section 46.1 et seq. of this title, use in connection with the person's name, or otherwise assume the title of architect, landscape architect or registered interior designer, or advertise any title or description tending to convey the impression that the person is a licensed architect or landscape architect or ~~is a registered as an~~ interior designer unless the person is duly licensed or exempt from licensure or registration under the State Architectural and Interior Designers Act. The practice of architecture and landscape architecture and the use of the titles, architect, landscape architect or registered interior designer, are privileges granted by the state through the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma based upon the qualifications of the individual as evidenced by a certificate of licensure or registration which shall not be transferable.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.3, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.3), is amended to read as follows:

1 Section 46.3 As used in the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act:

2 1. "Architect" means any person who is licensed and engages in the practice of architecture as
3 hereinafter defined;

4 2. "Practice of architecture" means rendering or offering to render certain services, in
5 connection with the design and construction, enlargement or alteration of a building or a group of
6 buildings and the space surrounding such buildings, including buildings which have as their principal
7 purpose human occupancy or habitation; the services referred to include planning, providing
8 preliminary studies, designs, drawings, specifications and other technical submissions, the
9 administration of construction contracts, and the coordination of any elements of technical submissions
10 prepared by others including, as appropriate and without limitation, consulting engineers and landscape
11 architects; provided, that the practice of architecture shall include such other professional services as
12 may be necessary for the rendering of or offering to render architectural services;

13 3. "Registration or license" means a certificate of registration or license issued by the Board.
14 The definition of "license" shall apply to those persons licensed under a practice act. The definition of
15 "registration" shall apply to those persons registered under a title act;

16 4. "Building" means a structure consisting of a foundation, walls, all floors and roof, with or
17 without other parts;

18 5. "Board" means the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and
19 Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma;

20 6. "Certificate of authority" means the authorization granted by the Board for persons to practice
21 or offer to practice architecture or landscape architecture through a partnership, firm, association,
22 corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership;
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1 7. "Certificate of title" means the authorization granted by the Board for a partnership, firm,
2 association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership to use the title
3 "~~interior design~~" or "registered interior designer" or any modification or derivation of these terms;

4 8. "Technical submissions" means designs, drawings, specifications, studies and other technical
5 reports prepared in the course of practicing architecture or landscape architecture;

6 9. "Responsible control" means the amount of control and detailed knowledge of the content of
7 technical submissions during their preparation as is ordinarily exercised by licensed architects or
8 landscape architects applying the required professional standard of care;

9 10. "Landscape architect" means a person licensed to practice landscape architecture as
10 provided in the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act;

11 11. "Landscape architecture" means the performance of professional services defined as
12 teaching, consultations, investigations, reconnaissance, research, planning, design, preparation of
13 construction drawings and specifications, and construction observation in connection with the planning
14 and arranging of land and the elements thereon for public and private use and enjoyment, including the
15 design and layout of roadways, service areas, parking areas, walkways, steps, ramps, pools, the
16 location and siting of improvements including buildings and other structures, and the grading of the
17 land, surface and subsoil drainage, erosion control, planting, reforestation, and the preservation of the
18 natural landscape, in accordance with accepted professional standards, and to the extent that the
19 dominant purpose of such services or creative works is the preservation, conservation, enhancement, or
20 determination of proper land uses, natural land features, ground cover and plantings, or naturalistic and
21 aesthetic values.

22 The practice of landscape architecture shall include the location and arrangement of tangible
23 objects and features as are incidental and necessary to the purpose outlined for landscape architecture.
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1 The practice of landscape architecture shall not include the design of structures or facilities with
2 separate and self-contained purposes for habitation or industry, or the design of public streets,
3 highways, utilities, storm and sanitary sewers and sewage treatment facilities, that are statutorily
4 defined as the practice of engineering or architecture;

5 12. "Code" means the nationally recognized building code adopted by the local, municipal, or
6 county jurisdiction in which a building is located. Where no building code has been adopted by the
7 local, municipal or county jurisdiction, all buildings shall meet the requirements of the state building
8 code as adopted by the Office of the State Fire Marshal;

9 13. "Applicable building official" means the official responsible for the application of the
10 adopted building code as implemented by the local, municipal or county jurisdiction in which a
11 building is located. Where no building code has been adopted by the local, municipal or county
12 jurisdiction, the applicable building official shall be defined as the State Fire Marshal; and

13 14. "Registered interior designer" means a person recognized by this state who is registered,
14 qualified by education, experience and examination and meeting all the requirements set forth in the
15 State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act ~~for interior designers~~ and the Board's rules.

16 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.4, as last amended by Section 3,
17 Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.4), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 46.4 There is hereby re-created, to continue until July 1, 2010, in accordance with the
19 provisions of the Oklahoma Sunset Law, a board to be known as the "Board of Governors of the
20 Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma",
21 hereinafter referred to as the Board. The Board shall be composed of eleven (11) members, including
22 seven persons who have been duly licensed to practice architecture; and are actively engaged in the
23 practice of architecture in this state or are teaching professors of architecture and duly licensed to
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1 practice architecture in this state, two persons who have been duly licensed to practice landscape
2 architecture, and are actively engaged in the practice of landscape architecture in this state or are
3 teaching professors of landscape architecture and duly licensed to practice landscape architecture in
4 this state, one person ~~qualified to become~~ as a registered as an interior designer after the initial
5 appointment and any new appointees thereafter ~~who shall have been~~ be a registered as interior
6 ~~designers~~ designer and ~~are~~ either actively engaged as a registered interior ~~designers~~ designer in this
7 state or ~~are~~ is a registered teaching ~~professors~~ professor of interior design and ~~are registered as interior~~
8 ~~designers in this state~~, and one lay member. Each member of the Board shall be a qualified elector of
9 this state, and the architect and landscape architect members shall have had five (5) years' experience
10 in the application or the study of the principles of ~~architecture~~ their respective profession after initial
11 ~~registration~~ licensure. The registered interior designer shall have five (5) years' experience in the
12 application or the study of the principles of interior design, met the requirements of Section 46.38 of
13 this title and become registered. After July 1, 2012, the registered interior designer member of the
14 Board shall have five (5) years of being registered by the Board and shall have met the requirements of
15 Section 46.38 of this title. Re-creation of the Board shall not alter existing staggered terms. Board
16 members, other than the lay member, shall be appointed for a period of five (5) years thereafter;
17 provided that nothing herein shall affect the tenure of office of anyone who is a member of the Board
18 on the effective date of this act. A member may be reappointed to succeed such membership. The
19 licensed persons engaged in the practice of architecture or landscape architecture or the registered
20 interior designer, or the persons who are licensed teaching professors of architecture, landscape
21 architecture or registered and teaching interior design, may be appointed by the Governor from a list of
22 nominees submitted by respective professional societies of this state. Membership in a professional
23 society shall not be a prerequisite to appointment to the Board. The lay member of the Board shall be
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1 appointed by the Governor to a term coterminous with that of the Governor. The lay member shall
2 serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Provided, the lay member may continue to serve after the
3 expiration of the term of the member until such time as a successor is appointed. Vacancies which
4 may occur in the membership of the Board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor. Each
5 person who has been appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which the
6 member the person shall succeed was appointed and until a successor, in turn, has been appointed and
7 shall have qualified. Each member of the Board, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of
8 the member, shall make and file with the Secretary of State a written oath or affirmation for the faithful
9 discharge of official duties. Each member of the Board shall be reimbursed for travel expenses
10 pursuant to the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

11 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.7, as last amended by Section 4,
12 Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.7), is amended to read as follows:

13 Section 46.7 In addition to the other powers and duties imposed by law, the Board shall have the
14 power and duty to:

- 15 1. Prescribe such rules and to make such orders, as it may deem necessary or expedient in the
16 performance of its duties;
- 17 2. Prepare, conduct, and grade examinations of persons who shall apply for the issuance of
18 licenses to them, and to promulgate such rules with reference thereto as it may deem proper;
- 19 3. Contract with nationally recognized registration organizations to prepare, conduct, and grade
20 examinations, written or oral, of persons who shall apply for the issuance of licenses;
- 21 4. Determine the satisfactory passing score on such examinations and issue licenses to persons
22 who shall have passed examinations, or who shall otherwise be entitled thereto;
- 23 5. Determine eligibility for licenses and certificates of authority;
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- 1 6. Determine eligibility for registration as ~~an~~ a registered interior designer and for certificate of
2 title;
- 3 7. Promulgate rules to govern the issuing of reciprocal licenses and registrations;
- 4 8. Upon good cause shown, as hereinafter provided, deny the issuance of a license, registration,
5 certificate of authority or certificate of title or suspend, revoke or refuse to renew licenses,
6 registrations, certificates of title or certificates of authority previously issued, and upon proper
7 showing, to reinstate them;
- 8 9. Review, affirm, reverse, vacate or modify its order with respect to any such denial,
9 suspension, revocation or refusal to renew;
- 10 10. Prescribe rules governing proceedings for the denial of issuance of a license, registration,
11 certificate of authority or certificate of title, suspension, revocation or refusal to renew, for cause, of
12 licenses, registrations, certificates of authority or certificates of title heretofore issued and the
13 reinstatement thereof;
- 14 11. Prescribe such penalties, as it may deem proper, to be assessed against holders of licenses,
15 registrations, certificates of authority or certificates of title for the failure to pay the biennial fee
16 hereinafter provided for;
- 17 12. Levy civil penalties plus the legal costs incurred by the Board to prosecute the case against
18 any person or entity who shall violate any of the provisions of the State Architectural and Registered
19 Interior Designers Act or any rule promulgated thereto;
- 20 13. Obtain an office, secure such facilities, and employ, direct, discharge and define the duties
21 and set the salaries of such office personnel and set the salaries of such unclassified and exempt office
22 personnel as deemed necessary by the Board;
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1 14. Initiate disciplinary action, prosecute and seek injunctions against any person or entity who
2 has violated any of the provisions of the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act or
3 any rule of the Board promulgated pursuant to said act and against the owner/developer of the building
4 type not exempt;

5 15. Investigate alleged violations of the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers
6 Act or of the rules, orders or final decisions of the Board;

7 16. Promulgate rules of conduct governing the practice of licensed architects and landscape
8 architects;

9 17. Keep accurate and complete records of proceedings, and certify the same as may be
10 appropriate;

11 18. Whenever it deems it appropriate, confer with the Attorney General or the Attorney
12 General's assistants in connection with all legal matters and questions. The Board may also retain an
13 attorney who is licensed to practice law in this state. The attorney shall serve at the pleasure of the
14 Board for such compensation as may be provided by the Board. The attorney shall advise the Board
15 and perform legal services for the Board with respect to any matters properly before the Board. In
16 addition to the above, the Board may employ hearing examiners to conduct administrative hearings
17 under the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act;

18 19. Prescribe by rules, fees to be charged as required by this act;

19 20. Adopt rules providing for a program of continuing education in order to insure that all
20 licensed architects or landscape architects remain informed of those technical and professional subjects
21 which the Board deems appropriate to professional architect or landscape architect practice. The
22 Board may by rule describe the methods by which the requirements of such program may be satisfied.
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1 Failure to meet such requirements of continuing education shall result in nonrenewal of the license
2 issued to the architect or landscape architect;

3 21. Adopt rules regarding requirements for intern development as a prerequisite for licensure;
4 and

5 22. Take such other action as may be reasonably necessary or appropriate to effectuate the State
6 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act.

7 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.8a, as amended by Section 7,
8 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.8a), is amended to read as follows:

9 Section 46.8a A. It shall be unlawful for any person to directly or indirectly engage in the
10 practice of architecture in this state or use the title “Architect”, “Registered or Licensed Architect”,
11 “Architectural Designer”, or display or use any words, letters, figures, titles, signs, cards,
12 advertisements, or other symbols or devices indicating or tending to indicate that such person is an
13 architect or is practicing architecture, unless the person is licensed under the provisions of this act. No
14 person shall aid or abet any person, not licensed under the provisions of this act, in the practice of
15 architecture.

16 B. Every person applying to the Board for an initial license shall submit an application
17 accompanied by the fee established in accordance with the rules of the Board, with satisfactory
18 evidence that such person holds an accredited professional degree in architecture or has completed
19 such other education as the Board deems equivalent to an accredited professional degree and with
20 satisfactory evidence that such person has completed such practical training in architectural work as
21 the Board requires. If an applicant is qualified in accordance with this subsection, the Board shall, by
22 means of a written examination, examine the applicant on such technical and professional subjects as
23 are prescribed by the Board. None of the examination materials shall be considered public records.
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1 The Board may exempt from such written examination an applicant who holds a certification issued by
2 the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. The Board may adopt as its own rules
3 governing practical training and education those guidelines published from time to time by the
4 National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. The Board may also adopt the examinations
5 and grading procedures of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and the
6 accreditation decisions of the National Architectural Accrediting Board. The Board shall issue its
7 license to each applicant who is found to be of good moral character and who satisfies the
8 requirements set forth in this section and the Board's rules. Such license shall be effective upon
9 issuance.

10 C. Pursuant to such rules as it may have adopted, the Board shall have the power to issue
11 licenses without requiring an examination to persons who have been licensed to practice architecture in
12 states other than the State of Oklahoma, in a territory of the United States, in the District of Columbia,
13 or in a country other than the United States; provided that the state or country has a similar reciprocal
14 provision to authorize the issuance of licenses to persons who have been licensed in this state. If a
15 person who has been licensed in a state other than the State of Oklahoma, or in a territory of the United
16 States, in the District of Columbia, or in a country other than the United States complies with the rules
17 of the Board, the secretary-treasurer, acting in the exercise of his or her discretion or upon the order of
18 the Board in the exercise of its discretion and upon the receipt of the stated payment to the Board
19 pursuant to the rules of the Board, shall issue to the person a license to practice architecture in this
20 state.

21 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.9, as amended by Section 8,
22 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.9), is amended to read as follows:
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1 Section 46.9 A. The practice of architecture or landscape architecture or offering to practice
2 these professions for others by persons licensed under this act through a partnership, firm, association,
3 corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership as directors, partners, officers,
4 shareholders, employees, managers, members or principals is permitted, subject to the provisions of
5 the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act, provided:

6 1. One or more of the directors, partners, officers, shareholders, managers, members or
7 principals of said partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited
8 liability partnership is designated as being responsible for the entity's activities and decisions of said
9 partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership;

10 2. Such director, partner, officer, shareholder, manager, member or principal is duly licensed
11 under the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act;

12 3. All personnel of said partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or
13 limited liability partnership which act in behalf of the entity for these professions in the state are
14 licensed under the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act; and

15 4. Said partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
16 partnership has been issued a certificate of authority by the Board.

17 B. The Board shall have the power to issue, revoke, deny, or refuse to renew a certificate of
18 authority for a partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
19 partnership as provided for in the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act.

20 C. A partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
21 partnership desiring to practice architecture or landscape architecture shall file with the Board an
22 application for a certificate of authority on a form approved by the Board which shall include the
23 names, addresses, state of licensure and license number of all partners, directors, officers, members,
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1 managers or principals of the partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or
2 limited liability partnership legally responsible for the entity's practice. The form shall name an
3 individual having the practice of architecture in such person's charge who is a director, partner, officer,
4 member, manager or principal. The person shall be duly licensed as an architect to practice
5 architecture or licensed as a landscape architect to practice landscape architecture in this state through
6 said partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
7 partnership legally responsible for the entity's practice or services offered and other information
8 required by the Board. In the event there shall be a change in any of these persons during the term of
9 the certification, such change shall be filed with the Board within thirty (30) days after the effective
10 date of said change. If all of the requirements of this section and the Board's current rules have been
11 met, the Board shall issue a certificate of authority to such partnership, firm, association, corporation,
12 limited liability company or limited liability partnership.

13 D. Any other person licensed pursuant to the State Architectural and Registered Interior
14 Designers Act, not practicing these professions as a partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited
15 liability company or limited liability partnership, shall practice as an individual.

16 E. No such partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited
17 liability partnership shall be relieved of responsibility for the conduct or acts of its agents, employees,
18 partners, directors, officers, managers, members or principals by reason of its compliance with the
19 provisions of this section, or shall any individual practicing these professions be relieved of
20 responsibility for professional services performed as an individual by reason of such person's
21 employment or relationship with such partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability
22 company or limited liability partnership.

1 F. The Secretary of State shall not issue a certificate of incorporation or register a foreign
2 corporation or any other entity which includes among the objectives for which it is established any of
3 the words “Architect”, “Architectural”, “Architecture”, “Landscape Architect”, “Landscape
4 Architecture” or any modification or derivation of these words, unless the Board has issued for said
5 applicant either a certificate of authority for an entity, or a letter indicating the eligibility for an
6 exemption pursuant to the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act. The entity
7 applying shall supply such certificate or letter from the Board with its application for incorporation or
8 registration.

9 G. The Secretary of State shall not register any trade name or service mark which includes such
10 words, as set forth in subsection F of this section, or modifications or derivatives thereof in its firm
11 name or logotype except those entities or individuals holding certificates of authority issued under the
12 provisions of this section or letters of eligibility issued by the Board.

13 H. The use of the title “Registered Interior Designer” by a partnership, firm, association,
14 corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership is allowed to those entities listed,
15 provided:

16 1. One or more of the directors, partners, officers, shareholders, members, managers or
17 principals is registered with the Board as ~~an~~ a registered interior designer and is in good standing with
18 the Board; and

19 2. The partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
20 partnership has been issued a certificate of title by the Board.

21 I. The Board shall have the power to issue, revoke, deny or refuse to renew a certificate of title
22 for a partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
23 partnership as provided for in the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act.
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1 J. A partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
2 partnership shall file with the Board an application for a certificate of title on a form approved by the
3 Board which shall include the names, addresses, state of registration and registration number of all
4 directors, partners, officers, shareholders, members, managers, or principals of the partnership, firm,
5 association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership. In the event there
6 shall be a replacement of any of these persons during the term of certification, the change shall be filed
7 with the Board within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the change. If all the requirements of
8 this section and the current rules of the Board have been met, the Board shall issue a certificate of title
9 to such partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
10 partnership.

11 K. The Secretary of State shall not issue a certificate of incorporation or register a foreign
12 corporation or any other entity which includes among the objectives for which it is established any of
13 the words “Registered Interior Designer”, “~~Interior Design~~”, “~~Interior Designing~~” or any modification
14 or derivation of these words, unless the Board has issued for the applicant either a certificate of title for
15 an entity, or a letter indicating the eligibility for an exemption pursuant to the State Architectural and
16 Registered Interior Designers Act. The firm applying shall supply such certificate of title or letter from
17 the Board with its application for incorporation or registration.

18 L. The Secretary of State shall not register any trade name or service mark which includes such
19 words as set forth in subsection K of this section, or modification or derivatives thereof in its firm
20 name or logotype except those entities or individuals holding certificates of title issued under the
21 provisions of this section or letters of eligibility issued by the Board.
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1 M. Upon application for renewal and upon compliance with the provisions of the State
2 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act and the rules of the Board, a certificate of title
3 shall be renewed as provided in this act.

4 N. Upon application for renewal and upon compliance with the provisions of the State
5 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act and the rules of the Board, a certificate of
6 authority shall be renewed as provided in this act.

7 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.10, as last amended by Section 5,
8 Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.10), is amended to read as follows:

9 Section 46.10 Every licensed architect, landscape architect and registered interior designer shall
10 pay to the Board a fee as prescribed by the rules of the Board. Upon receipt of the fee the Board shall
11 issue a renewal of the license or registration, which shall authorize the person to practice architecture,
12 landscape architecture or use the title of ~~an~~ registered interior designer, as the case may be, in this
13 state. The license of an architect or landscape architect or the registration of ~~an~~ a registered interior
14 designer which has been canceled by the Board for nonpayment of dues may be renewed at any time
15 within three (3) years from the date of the cancellation, upon payment to the Board of the fees which
16 had accrued at the time of the cancellation and which would have been paid at the time of
17 reinstatement had not the license or registration been suspended, together with payment of the amount
18 of penalties which may have been prescribed by the Board. If a license or registration remains
19 canceled for a period exceeding three (3) consecutive years, it shall not be reinstated unless the
20 licensee or registrant has taken or submitted to a test or a quiz or a Board review or an examination as
21 the circumstances of the individual case may warrant and as may be prescribed by the Board in order
22 to determine continued competency of the licensee or registrant. A partnership, firm, association,
23 corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership shall pay to the Board the fee
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1 prescribed and in the manner provided by the rules of the Board for the renewal of the certificate of
2 authority or certificate of title for such partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability
3 company or limited liability partnership.

4 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.12, as amended by Section 11,
5 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.12), is amended to read as follows:

6 Section 46.12 After the expiration of a period of six (6) months and upon payment to the Board
7 of a fee as prescribed by the rules of the Board, a person or entity whose license, registration or
8 certificate of authority has been suspended or revoked for cause, pursuant to the provisions of the State
9 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act, may file an application with the Board for the
10 reinstatement of said license, registration, certificate of authority or certificate of title. After a showing
11 has been made by the applicant to the Board that the interests of the public will not suffer by reason of
12 reinstatement, the Board in its discretion may order the reinstatement of the license, registration,
13 certificate of authority or certificate of title upon the payment of a sum equal to the fees which would
14 have accrued had not the license, registration, certificate of authority or certificate of title of the
15 applicant been suspended or revoked.

16 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.14, as amended by Section 12,
17 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.14), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 46.14 The Board shall have power to suspend, to revoke or refuse to renew a license,
19 registration, certificate of authority or certificate of title issued by it, pursuant to the provisions of the
20 State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act, when the holder thereof:

- 21 1. Shall have been convicted of a felony;
- 22 2. Shall have been guilty of fraud or misrepresentation in the person's application, whether for
23 an examination or for a license or registration without examination, or of fraud in the examination;
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1 3. Shall have been guilty of gross incompetence or recklessness in the practice of architecture
2 relating to the construction of buildings or structures, or of dishonest practices;

3 4. Shall have been guilty of gross incompetence or recklessness in the practice of landscape
4 architecture, or of dishonest practices;

5 5. Presents the registration of another as his or her own;

6 6. Gives false or forged evidence to the Board;

7 7. Conceals information relative to any violation of this act or rules promulgated under this act;

8 8. Shall have been found to be guilty of a violation of a provision of the State Architectural and
9 Registered Interior Designers Act or the rules of the Board; provided, that a person or entity
10 complained of:

11 a. shall first have been served notice in the same manner as provided by law in other
12 civil actions of the charges filed against the person or entity and of the time,
13 place, and nature of the hearing before the Board, and

14 b. shall have the right to be represented by counsel and an opportunity to respond
15 and present evidence and argument on all issues involved, by the introduction of
16 evidence and by the examination and cross-examination of witnesses, and to
17 compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers.
18 Pursuant to the foregoing, the Board shall have the power of a court of record,
19 including the power to issue subpoena and to compel the attendance and
20 testimony of witnesses. Each member of the Board shall have the power to
21 administer oaths and to issue subpoena. Whenever any person who shall have
22 been subpoenaed to appear to give testimony, or to answer any pertinent or proper
23 question, or to produce books, papers or documents which shall have been
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1 designated in a subpoena, either on behalf of the prosecution or on behalf of the
2 accused, shall refuse to appear to testify before the Board, or to answer any
3 pertinent or proper questions, or to produce a book, paper or document which
4 shall have been designated in a subpoena, the person shall be deemed to be in
5 contempt of the Board, and it shall be the duty of the presiding officer of the
6 Board, to report the fact to the district court of the State of Oklahoma in and for
7 the county in which such person may be or may reside whereupon the court shall
8 issue an attachment in the usual form, directed to the sheriff of the county, which
9 shall command the sheriff to attach such person and forthwith bring the person
10 before the court. On the return of the attachment duly served upon the accused, or
11 upon the production of the person attached, the district court shall have
12 jurisdiction of the matter. The person charged may purge himself or herself of the
13 contempt in the same way and the same proceedings shall be had, and the same
14 penalties may be imposed, as in the case of a witness subpoenaed to appear and
15 give evidence on the trial of a civil cause before a district court of the State of
16 Oklahoma. Depositions may be taken and used in the same manner as in civil
17 cases. The Board shall keep a record of the evidence in, and a record of each
18 proceeding for the suspension, revocation of or refusal to renew a license or
19 certificate of authority and shall make findings of fact and render a decision
20 therein. If, after a hearing, the charges shall have been found to have been
21 sustained by the vote of a majority of the members of the Board it shall
22 immediately enter its order of suspension, revocation or refusal to renew, as the
23 case may be.
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1 SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.17, as amended by Section 13,
2 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.17), is amended to read as follows:

3 Section 46.17 Any person or entity convicted of violating any provision of the State
4 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The continued
5 violation of any provision of the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act during each
6 day shall be deemed to be a separate offense. Upon conviction thereof the person or entity shall be
7 punished by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one (1) year, or by a fine of not more than
8 One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment for each offense. The
9 Board may request the appropriate district attorney to prosecute such violation and seek an injunction
10 against such practice.

11 SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.18, as amended by Section 14,
12 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.18), is amended to read as follows:

13 Section 46.18 A. Any person or entity who has been determined by the Board to have violated
14 any provision of the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act or any rule or order
15 issued pursuant to the provisions of the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act may
16 be liable for a civil penalty of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each day that said
17 violation continues plus the legal costs incurred by the Board to prosecute the case. The maximum
18 civil penalty shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for any related series of violations
19 plus the legal costs incurred by the Board to prosecute the case.

20 B. The amount of the penalty shall be assessed by the Board pursuant to the provisions of
21 subsection A of this section, after notice and hearing. In determining the amount of the penalty, the
22 Board shall include but not be limited to consideration of the nature, circumstances, and gravity of the
23 violation and, with respect to the person or entity found to have committed the violation, the degree of
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1 culpability, the effect on ability of the person or entity to continue to do business, and any show of
2 good faith in attempting to achieve compliance with the provisions of the State Architectural and
3 Registered Interior Designers Act. All monies collected from such civil penalties shall be deposited
4 with the State Treasurer of Oklahoma and placed in the Board of Architects' Fund.

5 C. Any license, registration, certificate of authority or certificate of title holder may elect to
6 surrender the license, registration, certificate of authority or certificate of title in lieu of said fine but
7 shall be forever barred from obtaining a reissuance of said license, registration, certificate of authority
8 or certificate of title.

9 SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.19, as amended by Section 15,
10 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.19), is amended to read as follows:

11 Section 46.19 All monies which shall be paid to the Board pursuant to the provisions of the
12 State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall be deposited with the State Treasurer of
13 Oklahoma and placed in a separate and distinct fund to be known as the "Board of Architects' Fund".
14 At the end of each fiscal year hereafter such unexpended balance remaining in the Board of Architects'
15 Fund shall be carried over and continued therein. All sums of money now or hereafter to be or to come
16 into the fund are hereby appropriated for the purpose of effectuating the purposes of the State
17 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act, and to pay all costs and expenses heretofore and
18 hereafter incurred in connection therewith.

19 SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.21, as amended by Section 16,
20 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.21), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 46.21 A. The State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall not apply
22 to any persons, firms, corporations, limited liability companies or limited liability partnerships who
23 prepare plans and specifications for persons, firms, corporations, limited liability companies or limited
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1 liability partnerships other than such person or entity, for buildings exempted by the State
2 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act from requiring an architect licensed under the laws
3 of the State of Oklahoma, providing such persons, firms, corporations, limited liability companies or
4 limited liability partnerships shall not, in any manner, represent such person or entity to be an architect
5 or other title of profession or business using a form of the word, “Architect”, and providing further that
6 nothing in the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall prevent such persons,
7 firms, corporations, limited liability companies or limited liability partnerships advertising or selling
8 such service.

9 B. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent:

10 1. The preparation of technical submissions or the administration of construction contracts by
11 employees of a person or entity lawfully engaged in the practice of architecture when such employees
12 are acting under the responsible control of a ~~registered~~ licensed architect;

13 2. A nonresident, who holds the certification issued by the National Council of Architectural
14 Registration Boards, from offering to render the professional services involved in the practice of
15 architecture; provided, that the person shall not perform any of the professional services involved in
16 the practice of architecture until ~~registered~~ licensed as hereinbefore provided; and further provided,
17 that the person shall notify the Board in writing that:

- 18 a. the person holds a National Council of Architectural Registration Boards
19 certificate and is not currently ~~registered~~ licensed in the jurisdiction, but will be
20 present in the state for the purpose of offering to render architectural services,
21 b. the person will deliver a copy of such notice to every potential client to whom the
22 applicant offers to render architectural services, and
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- 1 c. the person promises to apply immediately to the Board for registration if selected
2 as the architect for the project; or

3 3. A person, who holds the certification issued by the National Council of Architectural
4 Registration Boards but who is not currently ~~registered~~ licensed in the jurisdiction, from seeking an
5 architectural commission by participating in an architectural design competition for a project in the
6 state; provided, that the person shall notify the Board in writing that:

- 7 a. the person holds a National Council of Architectural Registration Boards
8 certificate and is not currently ~~registered~~ licensed in the jurisdiction, but will be
9 present in the state for the purpose of participating in an architectural design
10 competition,
11 b. the person will deliver a copy of such notice to every person conducting an
12 architectural design competition in which the applicant participates, and
13 c. the person promises to apply immediately to the Board for registration if selected
14 as the architect for the project.

15 SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.21b, as last amended by Section
16 1, Chapter 50, O.S.L. 2007 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.21b), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 46.21b A. An architect shall be required to plan, design and prepare plans and
18 specifications for the following building types except where specifically exempt from the provisions of
19 the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act. All use groups in this section are
20 defined by the 2003 International Building Code.

21 B. The construction, addition or alteration of a building of any size or occupancy in the
22 following Code Use Groups shall be subject to the provisions of the State Architectural and Registered
23 Interior Designers Act:
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- 1 1. Code Use Group I — Institutional;
- 2 2. Code Use Group R-2 – Residential, limited to dormitories, fraternities and sororities, and
- 3 monasteries and convents;
- 4 3. Code Use Group A-1 – Assembly and theaters;
- 5 4. Code Use Group A-4 – Assembly, arenas and courts;
- 6 5. Code Use Group A-5 – Assembly, bleachers and grandstands; and
- 7 6. Buildings for which the designated Code Use Group changes are not exempt from the State
- 8 Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act.

9 C. The following shall be exempt from the provisions of the State Architectural and Registered
10 Interior Designers Act; provided that, for the purposes of this subsection, a basement is not to be
11 counted as a story for the purpose of counting stories of a building for height regulations:

- 12 1. The construction, addition or alteration of a building no more than two stories in height and
- 13 with a code-defined occupancy of no more than fifty (50) persons for the Code Use Groups A-2 and
- 14 A-3 – Assembly and Code Use Group E - Education;
- 15 2. The construction, addition or alteration of a building no more than two stories in height and
- 16 no more than sixty-four transient lodging units per building for the Code Use Group R1 — Residential,
- 17 including, but not limited to, hotels and motels;
- 18 3. The construction, addition or alteration of a building no more than two stories in height and
- 19 with a gross square footage not exceeding one hundred thousand (100,000) in the Code Use Group B –
- 20 Business;
- 21 4. The construction, addition or alteration of a building no more than two stories in height and
- 22 with a gross square footage not exceeding two hundred thousand (200,000) in the Code Use Group M
- 23 – Mercantile; and
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1 5. The construction, addition or alteration of a building no more than two stories in height in the
2 following Code Use Groups or buildings:

- 3 a. Code Use Group U — Utility,
- 4 b. Code Use Group F – Factory and Industrial,
- 5 c. Code Use Group H – High hazard,
- 6 d. Code Use Group S – Storage,
- 7 e. Code Use Group R2 — Residential, including apartments containing no more
8 than thirty-two dwelling units or thirty-two guest units per building,
- 9 f. Code Use Groups R3 and R4 — Residential,
- 10 g. all buildings used by a municipality, county, state, public trust, public agency or
11 the federal government with a construction value under One Hundred Fifty-eight
12 Thousand Dollars (\$158,000.00),
- 13 h. incidental buildings or appurtenances associated with paragraphs 1 through 5 of
14 this subsection, and
- 15 i. all uninhabitable, privately owned agricultural buildings.

16 D. The renovation or alteration of a building where the intended use is exempt as new
17 construction shall be exempt from the provisions of the State Architectural and Registered Interior
18 Designers Act.

19 E. Addition, renovation or alteration of buildings where the intended use is not exempt from the
20 provisions of this act, but where the planned addition or alteration, as determined by the applicable
21 building official, does not affect the primary structural, mechanical, or electrical systems, life-safety
22 systems or exit passageways shall be exempt from the provisions of the State Architectural and
23 Registered Interior Designers Act.
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1 SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.24, as amended by Section 18,
2 Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.24), is amended to read as follows:

3 Section 46.24 A. Except as otherwise provided in the State Architectural and Registered
4 Interior Designers Act, no license shall be issued to any person to practice architecture in this state
5 unless the person:

6 1. Is twenty-one (21) years of age or over and is of good moral character;

7 2. Is an actual bona fide resident of this state, except the Board may waive this requirement in
8 the case of a bona fide resident of a foreign country or in any other case when the Board determines the
9 applicant for a license is not seeking to avoid the requirements of the state of residence for a license;

10 3. Is the holder of an accredited professional degree in architecture and shall have had such
11 practical training as the Board, by rule, shall deem appropriate. In lieu of the requirement of an
12 accredited professional degree, the Board may register an applicant who demonstrates in accordance
13 with such standards and requirements as the Board adopts by rule that the person has such other
14 educational experience as the Board deems equivalent to an accredited professional degree in
15 architecture;

16 4. Has paid to the Board a fee as prescribed by the rules of the Board plus the actual cost of the
17 examination; and

18 5. Has passed the examinations prescribed by the Board for the issuance of a license.

19 B. Upon meeting the requirements of subsection A of this section and payment of an initial fee
20 as may be prescribed by the rules of the Board, the Board shall issue to the applicant a license which
21 shall authorize the applicant to engage in the practice of architecture in this state.

22 C. The examination for a license to practice architecture in this state shall be held not less than
23 once each year, shall cover such subjects as may be prescribed by the Board and shall be graded on
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1 such basis as the Board shall prescribe by rule. The Board may adopt the examinations, requirements
2 for admission to the examinations and the grading procedures of the National Council of Architectural
3 Registration Boards. Notice of the time and place for the holding of examinations shall be given in the
4 manner and form prescribed by the Board.

5 D. The license certificate shall be in a form prescribed by the Board. The certificate shall be
6 signed by the chair and by the secretary-treasurer of the Board and shall bear the impress of the seal of
7 the Board. All papers received by the Board relating to an application for a license, to an examination
8 and to the issuance of a license shall be retained by the Board for three (3) years.

9 E. The following Board records and papers are of a confidential nature and are not public
10 records: Examination material for examinations before and after they are given, file records of
11 examination problem solutions, letters of inquiry and reference concerning applicants, Board inquiry
12 forms concerning applicants, and investigation files.

13 SECTION 17. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.25, as last amended by Section 7,
14 Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.25), is amended to read as follows:

15 Section 46.25 Each licensed architect shall have a seal, the image of which must contain the
16 name of the architect, the person's license number and the words, "Licensed Architect, State of
17 Oklahoma".

18 All technical submissions prepared by such architect, or under the responsible control of the
19 architect, shall be sealed, signed and dated, which shall mean that the architect was in responsible
20 control over the content of such technical submissions during their preparation and has applied the
21 required professional standard of care. No licensed architect may sign or seal technical submissions
22 unless they were prepared by or under the responsible control of the architect; except that:
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1 1. The person may sign or seal those portions of the technical submissions that were prepared by
2 or under the responsible control of persons who are licensed under the State Architectural and
3 Registered Interior Designers Act if the architect has reviewed and adapted in whole or in part such
4 portions and has either coordinated their preparation or integrated them into the work; and

5 2. The person may sign or seal those portions of the technical submissions that are not required
6 to be prepared by or under the responsible control of an architect if the architect has reviewed and
7 adapted in whole or in part such submissions and integrated them into the work. The seal may be a
8 rubber stamp or may be generated electronically, pursuant to rules adopted by the Board.

9 SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.28, as last amended by Section
10 20, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.28), is amended to read as follows:

11 Section 46.28 The State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall not require the
12 registration of practitioners of the following professions and occupations to practice landscape
13 architecture:

14 1. A professional civil engineer, as defined in Section 475.2 of this title, certified to practice the
15 profession in this state under any act to regulate the practice of that profession. Nothing contained in
16 the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall be construed as precluding an
17 architect or engineer from performing services included within the definition of “landscape
18 architecture” when incidental to the performance of his normal practice as an architect or engineer;

19 2. A landscape contractor building or installing what was designed by a landscape architect;

20 3. An agriculturist, horticulturist, forester as defined in Section 1202 of this title, nursery
21 operator, gardener, landscape gardener, garden or lawn caretaker and grader or cultivator of land
22 involved in the selection, placement, planting and maintenance of plant material;
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1 4. Persons who act under the supervision of a licensed landscape architect or an employee of a
2 person lawfully engaged in the practice of landscape architecture and who, in either event, does not
3 assume responsible charge of design or supervision;

4 5. Regional planners or urban planners, who evaluate and develop land-use plans to provide for
5 community and municipal projections of growth patterns based on demographic needs;

6 6. A landscape designer or contractor whose business is to consult and prepare plans and
7 specifications with respect to choosing types of plants and planning the location thereof and the design
8 of landscapes for those projects or whose work is limited to projects for a single-family residential
9 home. Landscape design or installation work may also be performed by an owner or occupant on the
10 single-family residence of the owner or occupant;

11 7. Persons other than landscape architects who prepare details and shop drawings for use in
12 connection with the execution of their work;

13 8. Builders or their superintendents in the supervision of landscape architectural projects; and

14 9. Persons in the occupations set forth in this section shall not use the title "landscape architect"
15 or hold themselves out to practice "landscape architecture" without complying with the provisions of
16 the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act and the rules ~~and regulations~~ of the
17 Board.

18 SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.31, as last amended by Section 8,
19 Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.31), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 46.31 A. Any person of good moral character who is a legal resident of the State of
21 Oklahoma and who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older, with a degree from an approved landscape
22 architecture program and upon completion of practical training as the Board, by rule, shall deem
23 appropriate, whose application has been approved by the Board, and who has fulfilled such other
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1 requirements as determined by the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act and the
2 rules of the Board, upon the payment to the Board of a fee as prescribed by the rules of the Board, plus
3 an amount to be determined by the Board, equal to the cost of the examination, may take an
4 examination for the purpose of securing a license to practice landscape architecture in this state.

5 Examinations shall be held not less than once each year by the Board or by a committee appointed by
6 it to do so. Notice of the time and place of the holding of examinations shall be given in manner and
7 form as prescribed by the Board.

8 B. The Board shall establish rules for examination of landscape architects and may elect to
9 follow the recommendations of the Council of Landscape Architects Registration Board (CLARB) or
10 its successor. The examinations shall be designed to determine the qualifications of the applicant to
11 practice landscape architecture. The examination shall cover such technical, professional and practical
12 subjects as relate to the practice of the profession of landscape architecture. The examination shall
13 also cover the basic arts and sciences and knowledge of material which is necessary to the proper
14 understanding, application and qualification for practice of the profession of landscape architecture.
15 The minimum passing grade in all subjects of the examination shall be as established by the Board.
16 An applicant receiving a passing grade on a subject included in the examination will be given credit,
17 subject to the rules of the Board. Applicants for readmittance to the examination shall pay the full
18 examination fee for each testing.

19 Upon passage of the examination, completion of the Board's requirements as prescribed by rules,
20 and the payment of a sum as prescribed by the rules of the Board, the Board shall issue to the applicant
21 a license certificate which shall authorize the person to engage in the practice of landscape architecture
22 in this state.
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1 C. Pursuant to such rules as it may have adopted, the Board shall have the power to issue
2 licenses without requiring an examination to persons who have been licensed to practice landscape
3 architecture in states other than the State of Oklahoma, in a territory of the United States, in the District
4 of Columbia, or in a country other than the United States provided that the state, territory, district or
5 country has a similar reciprocal provision to authorize the issuance of licenses to persons who have
6 been licensed in this state. If a person who has been licensed in a state other than the State of
7 Oklahoma, or in a territory of the United States, in the District of Columbia, or in a country other than
8 the United States complies with this act and rules of the Board, the secretary-treasurer, in the exercise
9 of his or her discretion, or upon the order of the Board and upon the receipt of the stated fee by the
10 Board, shall issue to the person a license to practice landscape architecture in this state.

11 SECTION 20. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 46.34, as last amended by Section 9,
12 Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.34), is amended to read as follows:

13 Section 46.34 A. Each licensed landscape architect shall have a seal, the image of which shall
14 contain the name of the landscape architect, the person's license number and the words, "Licensed
15 Landscape Architect, State of Oklahoma". All technical submissions prepared by such landscape
16 architect, or under the responsible control of the landscape architect, shall be sealed, signed and dated,
17 which shall mean that the landscape architect was in responsible control over the content of such
18 technical submissions during their preparation and has applied the required professional standard of
19 care. No licensed landscape architect may sign or seal technical submissions unless they were
20 prepared by or under the responsible control of the landscape architect, except that:

21 1. The person may sign or seal those portions of the technical submissions that were prepared by
22 or under the responsible control of persons who are licensed under the State Architectural and
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1 Registered Interior Designers Act if the landscape architect has reviewed and adapted in whole or in
2 part such portions and has either coordinated their preparation or integrated them into the work; and

3 2. The person may sign or seal those portions of the technical submissions that are not required
4 to be prepared by or under the responsible control of a landscape architect if the landscape architect has
5 reviewed and adapted in whole or in part such submissions and integrated them into the work. The
6 seal may be a rubber stamp or may be generated electronically.

7 B. All drawings, specifications, plans, reports or other papers or documents involving the
8 practice of landscape architecture, shall be dated and bear the signature and seal of the landscape
9 architect or landscape architects who prepared or approved them. It is permissible to only sign, seal
10 and date documents on the first sheet of bound sets of drawings, with index of drawings included, title
11 page of specifications, and other drawings and contract documents in a manner consistent with this act
12 and rules of the Board.

13 C. The seal, signature and date of the landscape architect may be applied to tracings to produce
14 legible reproduction of the drawings or to reprints made from the tracings. This provision, however,
15 does not in any manner modify the requirements of the other subsections of this section.

16 D. The license of a landscape architect shall not permit the practice of architecture, engineering
17 or land surveying, except that which is incidental to the practice of landscape architecture. No
18 landscape architect shall permit his or her seal to be affixed to any plans, specifications or drawings if
19 such portions thereof as are involved in the practice of his or her particular profession were not
20 prepared by or under the landscape architect's personal and direct supervision by a regularly employed
21 subordinate.
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1 SECTION 21. AMENDATORY Section 27, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, as amended by
2 Section 10, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.38), is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 Section 46.38 A. On July 1, 2007, the effective date of registration of interior designers begins.

5 B. Except as otherwise provided in the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers
6 Act, no registration shall be issued to any person to represent that the person is ~~“an~~ a “registered
7 interior designer” nor shall any person be allowed to use the term ~~“interior design”~~, unless the person
8 pays to the Board the required fees and/or penalties if applicable as established by the rules of the
9 Board and:

10 1. Holds an accredited professional degree in interior design from an interior design program
11 accredited by the Foundation for Interior Design Education Research, or its successor, or from an
12 interior design program determined by the Board to be substantially equivalent to an accredited
13 program;

14 2. Provides proof of a minimum of two (2) years of full-time diversified and appropriate
15 experience within established standards as the Board shall prescribe; and

16 3. Provides to the Board proof of passage of the examination administered by the National
17 Council for Interior Design Qualification or its successor.

18 C. The Board may waive the requirements of the State Architectural and Registered Interior
19 Designers Act for an individual who holds a current valid registration from another state, jurisdiction
20 or foreign country where the requirements for registration are substantially equivalent to those required
21 for registration in this state and pays the required fees and/or penalties, if applicable, to the Board.

22 D. This section does not apply to a person licensed to practice architecture pursuant to the laws
23 of this state.
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1 E. Nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize the board to regulate persons who are
2 rendering interior design services and are not a registered as interior designers designer under the
3 provisions of this act or to adopt regulations that would exceed the powers and responsibilities
4 expressly authorized under this act.

5 F. Certificate of title shall be subject to the following:

6 1. The use of the title "Registered Interior Designer" or "~~Interior Design~~" by a partnership, firm,
7 association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership is allowed to those
8 entities listed, provided:

9 a. one or more of the directors, partners, officers, shareholders, members, managers,
10 or principals is a registered with the Board as an interior designer and is in good
11 standing with the Board, and

12 b. the partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or
13 limited liability partnership has been issued a certificate of title by the Board;

14 2. The Board shall have the power to issue, revoke, deny or refuse to renew a certificate of title
15 for a partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
16 partnership as provided for in this act;

17 3. A partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability
18 partnership shall file with the Board an application for a certificate of title on a form approved by the
19 Board which shall include the names, addresses, state of registration and registration number of all
20 directors, partners, officers, shareholders, members, managers or principals of the partnership, firm,
21 association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership. In the event there
22 shall be a change in any of these persons during the term of certification, the change shall be filed with
23 the Board within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the change. If all the requirements of this
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1 section and the Board's current rules have been met, the Board shall issue a certificate of title to the
2 partnership, firm, association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership;

3 4. The Secretary of State shall not issue a certificate of incorporation or register a foreign
4 corporation or any other entity which includes among the objectives for which it is established the
5 words "Registered Interior Designer" or "~~Interior Design~~" or any modification or derivation of these
6 words, unless the Board has issued for the applicant either a certificate of title for an entity, or a letter
7 indicating the eligibility for an exemption pursuant to the requirements of this act. The firm applying
8 shall supply the certificate of title or letter from the Board with its application for incorporation or
9 registration;

10 5. The Secretary of State shall not register any trade name or service mark which includes such
11 words as set forth in paragraph 4 of this subsection, or modification or derivatives thereof in its firm
12 name or logotype except those entities or individuals holding certificates of title issued under the
13 provisions of this section or letters of eligibility issued by the Board; and

14 6. Upon application for renewal and upon compliance with the provisions of this act and the
15 rules of the Board, a certificate of title shall be renewed as provided by this act.

16 G. No registration for registered interior designers or a certificate of title for a partnership, firm,
17 association, corporation, limited liability company or limited liability partnership, shall be issued or
18 renewed for longer than two (2) years. A registration or certificate of title may be renewed upon
19 application, compliance with the rules of the Board and payment of fees prior to or on June 30 of
20 alternate years. The registration for registered interior designers shall begin July 1, 2007, and shall end
21 June 30, 2009, unless renewed every two (2) years thereafter. A new registration to replace a lost,
22 destroyed or mutilated registration shall be issued by the Board upon payment of a fee established in
23 accordance with the rules of the Board.
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1 SECTION 22. AMENDATORY Section 28, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp.
2 2008, Section 46.39), is amended to read as follows:

3 Section 46.39 Any person who applies ~~for registration as an~~ to become a registered interior
4 designer and remits the application and initial fees within two (2) years after July 1, 2007, shall be
5 registered by the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered
6 Interior Designers if:

7 1. In lieu of the requirement of an accredited professional degree, an applicant demonstrates, in
8 accordance with such standards and requirements as the Board adopts by rule, that the applicant has
9 the interior design education that the Board deems equivalent to an accredited professional degree in
10 interior design and the applicant has passed the examination of the National Council for Interior
11 Design Qualification, or its successor;

12 2. In lieu of the requirement of any professional degree, an applicant provides may provide
13 documented proof of diversified and appropriate experience in the practice of interior design for a
14 period of six (6) years and the applicant has passed the examination of the National Council for
15 Interior Design Qualification, or its successor; or

16 3. The applicant is a licensed architect.

17 SECTION 23. AMENDATORY Section 29, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, as amended by
18 Section 2, Chapter 50, O.S.L. 2007 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.40), is amended to read as
19 follows:

20 Section 46.40 A. The Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and
21 Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma may waive the educational and examination requirements
22 of the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act ~~for registration as an interior designer~~
23 for persons with diversified and appropriate experience in the practice of interior design for a period of
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1 fifteen (15) years prior to July 1, 2007, if the person is not registered under the State Architectural and
2 Registered Interior Designers Act and not exempt from the requirement for registration in order to use
3 the title “Registered Interior Designer”.

4 B. The State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall not be construed to
5 prohibit or interfere with the ability of a licensed architect to perform those activities that are
6 associated with his or her practice as provided under the provisions of the State Architectural and
7 Registered Interior Designers Act, ~~and therefore, a licensed architect is granted the use of the term~~
8 ~~interior design.~~

9 SECTION 24. AMENDATORY Section 30, Chapter 163, O.S.L. 2006, as amended by
10 Section 11, Chapter 193, O.S.L. 2006 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 46.41), is amended to read as
11 follows:

12 Section 46.41 A. It shall be unlawful for any person or entity to use the title “Registered Interior
13 Designer” or any other derivation of ~~the~~ these words to indicate that the person or entity is registered
14 under the provisions of this act, if the person is not registered under this act and not exempt from the
15 requirement for registration.

16 B. Any person who, for a fee or other direct compensation, holds himself or herself out as a
17 ~~person~~ registered as an interior designer, advertises, puts out any sign, card or drawings in this state
18 designating himself or herself as ~~an~~ a “Registered Interior Designer” or uses some form of the term
19 “~~Interior Design~~” in the title of a profession or business without first having complied with the
20 provisions of the State Architectural and Registered Interior Designers Act shall be deemed guilty of a
21 misdemeanor.

22 SECTION 25. This act shall become effective July 1, 2009.
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1 SECTION 26. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health
2 and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be
3 in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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