STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

HOUSE BILL 3203 By: Blackwell of the House

and

Treat of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to sunset; amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 46.4, which relates to the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma; re-creating the Board; and modifying termination date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 46.4, is amended to read as follows:

Section 46.4 There is hereby re-created, to continue until July 1, ~~2014~~ 2020, in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Sunset Law, a board to be known as the "Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma", hereinafter referred to as the Board. The Board shall be composed of eleven (11) members, including seven persons who have been duly licensed to practice architecture and are actively engaged in the practice of architecture in this state or

are teaching professors of architecture and duly licensed to practice architecture in this state, two persons who have been duly licensed to practice landscape architecture and are actively engaged in the practice of landscape architecture in this state or are teaching professors of landscape architecture and duly licensed to practice landscape architecture in this state, one person as a registered interior designer after the initial appointment and any new appointees thereafter shall be a registered interior designer and either actively engaged as a registered interior designer in this state or is a registered teaching professor of interior design, and one lay member. Each member of the Board shall be a qualified elector of this state, and the architect and landscape architect members shall have had five (5) years' experience in the application or the study of the principles of their respective profession after initial licensure. The registered interior designer shall have five (5) years' experience in the application or the study of the principles of interior design, met the requirements of Section 46.38 of this title and become registered. After July 1, 2012, the registered interior designer member of the Board shall have five (5) years of being registered by the Board and shall have met the requirements of Section 46.38 of this title. Re-creation of the Board shall not alter existing staggered terms. Board members, other than the lay member, shall be appointed for a period of five (5) years thereafter; provided that nothing herein shall affect the

tenure of office of anyone who is a member of the Board on the effective date of this act. A member may be reappointed to succeed such membership. The licensed persons engaged in the practice of architecture or landscape architecture or the registered interior designer, or the persons who are licensed teaching professors of architecture, landscape architecture or registered and teaching interior design, may be appointed by the Governor from a list of nominees submitted by respective professional societies of this state. Membership in a professional society shall not be a prerequisite to appointment to the Board. The lay member of the Board shall be appointed by the Governor to a term coterminous with that of the Governor. The lay member shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Provided, the lay member may continue to serve after the expiration of the term of the member until such time as a successor is appointed. Vacancies which may occur in the membership of the Board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor. Each person who has been appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which the member the person shall succeed was appointed and until a successor, in turn, has been appointed and shall have qualified. Each member of the Board, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of the member, shall make and file with the Secretary of State a written oath or affirmation for the faithful discharge of official duties. Each member of the Board

shall be reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

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