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SENATE BILL NO. 281

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR GRIESHEIMER.

Read 1st time January 16, 2007, and ordered printed.

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Read 2nd time January 18, 2007, and referred to the Committee on Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections. Reported from the Committee February 15, 2007, with recommendation that the bill do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Taken up March 7, 2007. Read 3rd time and placed upon its final passage; bill passed.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 327.621, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to landscape architect licensing.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 327.621, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 327.621 and 327.622, to read as 3 follows:

327.621. 1. The professional license issued to every landscape architect in Missouri, and certificates of authority issued to corporations under $\mathbf{2}$ 3 section 327.401, shall be renewed on or before the license renewal date, provided that the required fee is paid. The board may establish, by rule, 4 continuing education requirements as a condition to renewing the 5license of a landscape architect, provided that the board shall not 6 7 require more than thirty such hours. The license of a landscape architect or the certificate of authority issued to any corporation which is not 8 renewed within three months of the renewal date shall be suspended 9 10 automatically, subject to the right of the holder thereof to have such suspended 11 license reinstated within nine months of the date of suspension, if the 12reinstatement fee is paid. Any license or certificate of authority suspended and not reinstated within nine months of the suspension date shall expire and be 1314 void and the holder thereof shall have no rights or privileges thereunder; provided, however, any person or corporation whose license has expired under 15

16 this section may within the discretion of the board, upon payment of the fee 17 [provided pursuant to section 327.625], be relicensed or reauthorized under [his 18 or its] such person's or such corporation's original license number.

2. Each application for the renewal of a [licensure] license shall be on
a form furnished to the applicant and shall be accompanied by the required fee,
but no renewal fee need be paid by any landscape architect over the
age of seventy-five.

327.622. 1. A landscape architect licensed in this state may apply to the board for inactive license status on a form furnished by the $\mathbf{2}$ board. Upon receipt of the completed inactive status application form 3 and the board's determination that the licensee meets the requirements 4 $\mathbf{5}$ established by rule, the board shall declare the licensee inactive and 6 shall place the licensee on an inactive status list. A person whose 7 license is inactive shall not offer or practice landscape architecture within this state, but may continue to use the title "landscape 8 9 architect".

2. If a licensee is granted inactive status, the licensee may return to active status by notifying the board in advance of such intention by paying appropriate fees as determined by the board, and by meeting all established requirements of the board including the demonstration of current knowledge, competency, and skill in the practice of landscape architecture as a condition of reinstatement.

3. In the event an inactive licensee does not maintain a current license in any state for a five-year period immediately prior to requesting reinstatement, that person may be required to take an examination as the board deems necessary to determine such person's qualifications. Such examination shall cover areas designed to demonstrate proficiency in the knowledge of current methods of landscape architecture.

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