HB 924 -- Architects, Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Landscape Architects

Sponsor: Behnen

This bill prohibits persons from practicing architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture in this state without being duly licensed by the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

The bill gives the board authority to file complaints with the Administrative Hearing Commission, initiate investigations, issue subpoenas, and to file with courts of competent jurisdiction for civil penalties to be imposed against persons which are in violation of the provisions of the bill.

The bill also places limits on the civil penalties, specifies when the penalties will be paid, and gives the Attorney General the authority to commence action to recover penalties. All penalties collected will be deposited in the General Revenue Fund; and any money assessed and collected by the board to defray the costs and expenses incurred in connection with investigations and hearings will be placed in the State Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Landscape Architects Fund.

Any person practicing these professions without a license is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.