

HCS HB 1244 -- INTERIOR DESIGNERS

SPONSOR: Behnen (Ruestman)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing by a vote of 13 to 0.

This substitute reduces the verification of experience requirements for registered commercial interior designers from five to two client references and from five to two industry references to be submitted to the National Council for Interior Design Qualification.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2007, FY 2008, and FY 2009.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that Missouri has the most stringent laws regarding references in the country. The bill will reduce this criteria and make Missouri consistent with other states.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Ruestman; and Cyndi Curnutte and Leslie Armontrout, Missouri Coalition of Interior Design.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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