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HOUSE BILL NO. 2575

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 327.011, 327.041, 327.091, 327.101, 327.131, 327.191, 327.241, 327.312, 327.314, and 327.612, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof ten new sections relating to the practice of certain occupations.

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

Section A. Sections 327.011, 327.041, 327.091, 327.101, 327.131, 327.191, 327.241,

- 327.312, 327.314, and 327.612, RSMo, are repealed and ten new sections enacted in lieu thereof,
- to be known as sections 327.011, 327.041, 327.091, 327.101, 327.131, 327.191, 327.241,
- 327.312, 327.314, and 327.612, to read as follows:

327.011. As used in this chapter, the following words and terms shall have the meanings indicated:

- (1) "Accredited degree program from a school of architecture", a degree from any school or other institution which teaches architecture and whose curricula for the degree in question
- have been, at the time in question, certified as accredited by the National Architectural
- Accrediting Board; 6

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- (2) "Accredited school of engineering", any school or other institution which teaches 7 engineering and whose curricula on the subjects in question are or have been, at the time in 9 question certified as accredited by the engineering accreditation commission of the accreditation 10 board for engineering and technology or its successor organization;
- (3) "Accredited school of landscape architecture", any school or other institution which 11
- teaches landscape architecture and whose curricula on the subjects in question are or have been 12
- 13 at the times in question certified as accredited by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation
- Board of the American Society of Landscape Architects; 14

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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15 (4) "Architect", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to practice architecture in Missouri, as the practice of architecture is defined in section 327.091;

- (5) "Board", the Missouri board for architects, professional engineers, professional land surveyors and professional landscape architects;
- (6) "Corporation", any general business corporation, professional corporation or limited liability company;
- (7) "Design coordination", the review and coordination of technical submissions prepared by others including, as appropriate and without limitation, architects, professional engineers, professional land surveyors, professional landscape architects, and other consultants;
- (8) "Design survey", a survey which includes all activities required to gather information to support the sound conception, planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of design projects, but excludes the surveying of real property for the establishment of land boundaries, rights-of-way, easements, and the dependent or independent surveys or resurveys of the public land survey system;
- (9) "Incidental practice", the performance of other professional services licensed under chapter 327 that are related to a licensee's professional service, but are secondary and substantially less in scope and magnitude when compared to the professional services usually and normally performed by the licensee practicing in their licensed profession. This incidental professional service shall be safely and competently performed by the licensee without jeopardizing the health, safety, and welfare of the public. The licensee shall be qualified by education, training, and experience as determined by the board and in sections 327.091, 327.181, 327.272, and 327.600 and applicable board rules to perform such incidental professional service;
- 37 (10) "Licensee", a person licensed to practice any profession regulated under this chapter 38 or a corporation authorized to practice any such profession;
 - (11) "Partnership", any partnership or limited liability partnership;
 - (12) "Person", any [person] individual, corporation, firm, partnership, association or other entity authorized to do business;
- 42 (13) "Professional engineer", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions of this 43 chapter to practice as a professional engineer in Missouri, as the practice of engineering is 44 defined in section 327.181;
- 45 (14) "Professional land surveyor", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions of 46 this chapter to practice as a professional land surveyor in Missouri as the practice of land 47 surveying is [defined] described in section 327.272;
- 48 (15) "Professional landscape architect", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions 49 of this chapter to practice as a professional landscape architect in Missouri as the practice of 50 landscape architecture is defined in section 327.600;

51 (16) "Responsible charge", the independent direct control of a licensee's work and 52 personal supervision of such work pertaining to the practice of architecture, engineering, land 53 surveying, or landscape architecture.

- 327.041. 1. The board shall have the duty and the power to carry out the purposes and to enforce and administer the provisions of this chapter, to require, by summons or subpoena, with the vote of two-thirds of the voting board members, the attendance and testimony of witnesses, and the production of drawings, plans, plats, specifications, books, papers or any document representing any matter under hearing or investigation, pertaining to the issuance, probation, suspension or revocation of certificates of registration or certificates of authority provided for in this chapter, or pertaining to the unlawful practice of architecture, professional engineering, professional land surveying or professional landscape architecture.
- 2. The board shall, within the scope and purview of the provisions of this chapter, prescribe the duties of its officers and employees and adopt, publish and enforce the rules and regulations of professional conduct which shall establish and maintain appropriate standards of competence and integrity in the professions of architecture, professional engineering, professional land surveying and professional landscape architecture, and adopt, publish and enforce procedural rules and regulations as may be considered by the board to be necessary or proper for the conduct of the board's business and the management of its affairs, and for the effective administration and interpretation of the provisions of this chapter. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this chapter shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2001, shall be invalid and void.
- 3. Rules promulgated by the board pursuant to sections 327.272 to 327.635 shall be consistent with and shall not supersede the rules promulgated by the department of [natural resources] agriculture pursuant to chapter 60.
- 327.091. 1. [Any person practices as an architect in Missouri who renders or offers to render or represents himself or herself as willing or able to render service or creative work which requires architectural education, training and experience, including services and work such as consultation, evaluation, planning, aesthetic and structural design, the preparation of drawings, specifications and related documents, and the coordination of services furnished by structural, eivil, mechanical and electrical engineers and other consultants as they relate to architectural work in connection with the construction or erection of any private or public building, building

structure, building project or integral part or parts of buildings or of any additions or alterations thereto; or who uses the title "architect" or the terms "architect" or "architecture" or "architectural" alone or together with any words other than "landscape" that indicate or imply that 10 such person is or holds himself or herself out to be an architect| The practice of architecture 11 shall be the rendering or offering to render services in connection with the design and 12 construction of public and private buildings, structures, shelters, and site improvements, 13 14 in whole or in part and including any additions or alterations thereto, as well as to the 15 spaces within and the site surrounding such buildings and structures that have as its 16 principal purpose human occupancy or habitation. Such services shall include the 17 following:

- 18 **(1) Consultations**;
- 19 **(2) Design surveys**;
- 20 (3) Feasibility studies;
- 21 (4) Evaluations;
- 22 (5) The development of plans;
- 23 (6) The development of aesthetic and structural designs;
- 24 (7) The development of preliminary designs;
- 25 **(8) Drawings**;
- 26 (9) The development of specifications;
 - (10) Technical submissions and other instruments of service;
- 28 (11) The administration of construction contracts, construction observations, and 29 inspections; and
 - (12) The coordination of any elements of technical submissions prepared by others, including professional engineers, landscape architects, and other consultants that pertain to the practice of architecture.

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- No person shall use the title "architect" or the words "architecture" or "architectural" alone or together with any words other than "landscape" to indicate or imply that such person is or holds himself or herself out to be an architect unless such person has the required architectural education, practical training, relevant work experience, and license to practice as an architect in Missouri.
- 2. Architects shall be in responsible charge of all architectural design of buildings and structures that can affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public within their scope of practice.
- 327.101. **1.** No person shall practice architecture in Missouri as [defined] described in section 327.091 unless and until there is issued to the person a license or a certificate of authority

certifying that the person has been duly licensed as an architect or authorized to practice architecture, in Missouri, and unless such license has been renewed as hereinafter specified[; provided, however, that nothing in this chapter shall apply to the following persons:].

- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section, the following persons may engage in the practice of architecture under section 327.091 so long as such persons shall not use the title "architect" or the terms "architecture" or "architectural" alone or together with any words other than "landscape" to indicate or imply that such persons are or hold themselves out to be an architect:
- (1) Any person who is an employee of a person holding a currently valid license as an architect or who is an employee of any person holding a currently valid certificate of authority pursuant to this chapter, and who performs architectural work under the direction and continuing supervision of and is checked by one holding a currently valid license as an architect pursuant to this chapter;
- (2) [Any person who is a regular full-time employee who performs architectural work for the person's employer if and only if all such work and service so performed is in connection with a facility owned or wholly operated by the employer and which is occupied by the employer of the employee performing such work or service, and if and only if such work and service so performed do not endanger the public health or safety] Any person who renders architectural services in connection with the construction, remodeling, or repairing of any building or structure used exclusively for agricultural purposes;
- (3) Any holder of a currently valid license or certificate of authority as a professional engineer who performs only such architecture as incidental practice and necessary to the completion of professional services lawfully being performed by such licensed professional engineer;
- (4) Any person who is a professional landscape architect, city planner or regional planner who performs work consisting only of consultations concerning and preparation of master plans for parks, land areas or communities, or the preparation of plans for and the supervision of the planting and grading or the construction of walks and paving for parks or land areas and such other minor structural features as fences, steps, walls, small decorative pools and other construction not involving structural design or stability and which is usually and customarily included within the area of work of a professional landscape architect or planner;
- (5) Any person who renders architectural services in connection with the construction, remodeling, or repairing of any privately owned building described in [paragraphs] paragraph (a), (b), or (c)[, (d), and (e)] which follow, and who indicates on any drawings, specifications, estimates, reports or other documents furnished in connection with such services that the person is not a licensed architect:

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- 40 (b) A multiple family dwelling house, flat, or apartment containing not more than two 41 families; or
- 42 (c) [A commercial or industrial building or structure which provides for the employment, 43 assembly, housing, sleeping or eating of not more than nine persons; or
- (d) Any one structure containing less than two thousand square feet, except as provided in (b) and (c) above, and which is not a part or a portion of a project which contains more than one structure; or
 - (e) A building or structure used exclusively for farm purposes Any one building or structure, except for those buildings or structures referenced under subdivision (2) of this subsection, that provides for the employment, assembly, housing, sleeping, or eating of no more than nine persons, contains less than two thousand square feet, and is not part of another building or structure;
 - (6) Any person who renders architectural services in connection with the remodeling or repairing of any privately owned multiple family dwelling house, flat or apartment containing three or four families, provided that the alteration, renovation, or remodeling does not affect architectural or engineering safety features of the building and who indicates on any drawings, specifications, estimates, reports or other documents furnished in connection with such services that the person is not a licensed architect;
 - (7) Any person or corporation who is offering, but not performing or rendering, architectural services if the person or corporation is licensed to practice architecture in the state or country of residence or principal place of business.
- 327.131. Any person may apply to the board for licensure as an architect who is [over the age of twenty-one, is] of good moral character, has acquired an accredited degree from an accredited degree program from a school of architecture, holds a certified Intern Development Program (IDP) or Architectural Experience Program (AXP) record with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, and has taken and passed all divisions of the Architect Registration Examination.
 - 327.191. **1.** No person shall practice as a professional engineer in Missouri, as [defined] **described** in section 327.181 unless and until there is issued to such person a professional license or a certificate of authority certifying that such person has been duly licensed as a professional engineer or authorized to practice engineering in Missouri, and unless such license or certificate has been renewed as provided in section 327.261[; provided that section 327.181 shall not be construed to prevent the practice of engineering by the following persons:].
 - 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section, the following persons may engage in actions described as the practice of professional engineering under

section 327.181 so long as such persons do not use the title "professional engineer" or "consulting engineer" or the word "engineer" alone or preceded by any word indicating or implying that such persons are or hold themselves out to be professional engineers, or use any word or words, letters, figures, degrees, titles, or other description indicating or implying that such persons are professional engineers or are willing or able to practice engineering:

- (1) Any person who is an employee of a person holding a currently valid license as a professional engineer or who is an employee of a person holding a currently valid certificate of authority pursuant to this chapter, and who performs professional engineering work under the direction and continuing supervision of and is checked by one holding a currently valid license as a professional engineer pursuant to this chapter;
- (2) [Any person who is a regular full-time employee of a person or any former employee under contract to a person, who performs professional engineering work for such employer if and only if all such work and service so performed is done solely in connection with a facility owned or wholly operated by the employer and occupied or maintained by the employer of the employee performing such work or service, and does not affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public] Any person who renders engineering services in connection with the construction, remodeling, or repairing of any building or structure used exclusively for agricultural purposes;
- (3) Any person engaged in engineering who is a full-time, regular employee of a person engaged in manufacturing operations and which engineering so performed by such person relates to the manufacture, sale or installation of the products of such person, and does not affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public;
- (4) Any holder of a currently valid license or certificate of authority as an architect, professional land surveyor, or professional landscape architect who performs only such engineering as incidental practice and necessary to the completion of professional services lawfully being performed by such architect, professional land surveyor, or professional landscape architect:
- (5) Any person who renders engineering services in connection with the construction, remodeling, or repairing of any privately owned building described in paragraph (a), (b), or (c) of this subdivision, and who indicates on any drawings, specifications, estimates, reports, or other documents furnished in connection with such services that the person is not a licensed professional engineer:
 - (a) A dwelling house;
- (b) A multiple-family dwelling house, flat, or apartment containing no more than two families; or

(c) Any one building or structure, except for those buildings or structures referenced in subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of this section, that provides for the employment, assembly, housing, sleeping, or eating of no more than nine persons, contains less than two thousand square feet, and is not part of another building or structure;

- (6) Any person who renders engineering services in connection with the remodeling or repairing of any privately owned multiple-family dwelling house, flat, or apartment containing three or four families, provided that the alteration, renovation, or remodeling does not affect architectural or engineering safety features of the building and who indicates on any drawings, specifications, estimates, reports, or other documents furnished in connection with such services that the person is not a licensed professional engineer; and
- (7) Any person or corporation who is offering, but not performing or rendering, professional engineering services if the person or corporation is licensed to practice professional engineering in the state or country of residence or principal place of business.
- 327.241. 1. After it has been determined that an applicant possesses the qualifications entitling the applicant to be examined, each applicant for examination and licensure as a professional engineer in Missouri shall appear before the board or its representatives for examination at the time and place specified.
- 2. The examination or examinations shall be of such form, content and duration as shall be determined by the board to thoroughly test the qualifications of each applicant to practice as a professional engineer in Missouri.
- 3. Any applicant to be eligible for a license must make a grade on each examination of at least seventy percent.
- 4. The engineering examination shall consist of two parts; the first part may be taken by any person after such person has satisfied the educational requirements of section 327.221, or who is in his or her final year of study in an accredited school of engineering; and upon passing part one of the examination and providing proof that such person has satisfied the educational requirements of section 327.221 and upon payment of the required fee, such person shall be an engineer-intern, subject to the other provisions of this chapter.
- 5. Any engineer-intern, as [defined] described in subsection 4 of this section[, who has acquired at least four years of satisfactory engineering experience,] may take part two of the engineering examination and upon passing it and having acquired at least four years of satisfactory engineering experience shall be entitled to receive a license[,]; however, the license shall be subject[, however,] to the other provisions of this chapter.
- 6. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 4 and 5 of this section, the board may, in its discretion, provide by rule that any person who has graduated from and holds an engineering degree from an accredited school of engineering may thereupon be eligible to take

both parts of the engineering examination and that upon passing said examination and acquiring four years of satisfactory engineering experience, after graduating and receiving a degree as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive a license to practice as a professional engineer, subject, however, to the other provisions of this chapter.

- 7. Any person who has graduated from and has received a degree in engineering from an accredited school of engineering may [then acquire four years of satisfactory engineering experience and thereafter] take both parts of the examination and upon passing and having acquired four years of satisfactory engineering experience shall be entitled to receive a license to practice as a professional engineer, subject, however, to the other provisions of this chapter.
- [8. Any person entitled to be licensed as a professional engineer as provided in subsection 5, 6, or 7 of this section must be so licensed within four years after the date on which he or she was so entitled, and if one is not licensed within the time he or she is so entitled, the engineering division of the board may require him to take and satisfactorily pass such further examination as provided by rule before issuing to him a license.]
- 327.312. 1. Any person may apply to the board for enrollment as a land surveyor-in-training who is of good moral character, who is a high school graduate, or who holds a Missouri certificate of high school equivalence (GED), and either:
- (1) Has graduated and received a baccalaureate degree in an approved curriculum as defined by board regulation which shall include at least [twelve] nine semester hours of approved surveying course work as defined by board regulation of which at least two semester hours shall be in the legal aspects of boundary surveying; or
- (2) Has passed at least sixty hours of college credit which shall include credit for at least [twenty] seventeen semester hours of approved surveying course work as defined by board regulation of which at least two semester hours shall be in legal aspects of boundary surveying and present evidence satisfactory to the board that in addition thereto such person has at least one year of combined professional office and field experience in land surveying projects under the immediate personal supervision of a professional land surveyor; or
- (3) Has passed at least [twelve] nine semester hours of approved surveying course work as defined by board regulation of which at least two semester hours shall be in legal aspects of land surveying and in addition thereto has at least two years of combined professional office and field experience in land surveying projects under the immediate personal supervision of a professional land surveyor. Pursuant to this provision, not more than one year of satisfactory postsecondary education work shall count as equivalent years of satisfactory land surveying work as aforementioned.

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- 2. The board shall issue a certificate of completion to each applicant who satisfies the requirements of the aforementioned land surveyor-in-training program and passes such examination or examinations as shall be required by the board.
 - 327.314. **1.** Any person may apply to the board for licensure as a professional land surveyor who has been enrolled as a land surveyor-in-training and has presented evidence to the satisfaction of the board that said person has:
 - (1) Acquired at least four years of satisfactory professional field and office experience in land surveying [from the date of], only one year of which may occur prior to enrollment as a land surveyor-in-training for individuals who enroll as a land surveyor-in-training under subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection 1 of section 327.312 and only two years of which may occur prior to enrollment as a land surveyor-in-training for individuals who enroll as a land surveyor-in-training under subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of section 327.312. This experience shall have been under the immediate personal supervision of a professional land surveyor; and
 - (2) Beginning January 1, 2025, passed at least fifteen semester hours of approved surveying course work as defined by board regulation of which at least five semester hours shall be in legal aspects of land surveying.
- 2. Any credit hours passed prior to applying for enrollment as a land surveyor-intraining shall count toward the number of hours required in this section.
 - 327.612. Any person who is of good moral character, [has attained the age of twenty-one years, and] has a degree in landscape architecture from an accredited school of landscape architecture [and] or possesses an education that in the opinion of the board equals or exceeds the education received by a graduate of an accredited school, has acquired at least three years satisfactory landscape architectural experience after acquiring such a degree, and who has taken and passed all sections of the landscape architectural registration examination administered by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB) may apply to the board for licensure as a professional landscape architect.

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