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I am in Support of this Bill. This is a good Consumer and Public Safety Bill, protecting the Public with assurances and responsible design and alteration changes.



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PUBLIC HEARING : HB 2158 - APRIL 3, 2024 Sponsor : Representative Gallick, / House Professional Registration and Licensing Committeel am an Interior Designer, practicing over 40 yrs in the St Louis metro area. I am certified by NCIDQ testing .I am in favor of HB 2158.I understand this bill will modify provisions to the existing Registration of Interior Designers. It will allow for the Registered Interior Designer to sign / seal the documents suitable for permits related ONLY to non-structural Interior work. It will not restrict any person from providing design or decorating services. It does not interfere with the services requiring a Licensed Architects/Engineers.This modification is proposed and supported by The Consortium for Interior Design- Missouri, which consists of IIDA and ASID chapters in Missouri (associations of interior designers).If you have any questions, please contact Director of Government Affairs : Matthew Barusch. mbarusch@cidq.org



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I am a registered interior designer in the state of Missouri, and I support HB 2158. I have been practicing interior design in the state for over 20 years, and I believe the education, experience, and examination that interior designers have gives them the needed knowledge and responsibility to seal certain interior technical submissions not requiring an architect's level of expertise. This would create more accessibility for clients with small interior projects and smaller budgets to achieve quality design and guidance and therefore better quality construction.



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I am a Registered Interior Designer in the State of Missouri. I have been practicing for 28 years. First, I'd like to say as Registered Interior Designers, we are not decorators. We have the education, training, and ability to do so much more than merely select finishes. To become a Registered Interior Designer in the State of Missouri, you must have passed the NCIDQ exams. These are the only exams for qualifying an interior designer. These exams are the measure by which many other states use to license designers. I have been trained as an interior architect and practiced under several architects performing all the capabilities that are listed in HB2158. If HB2158 is passed, I will have the means by which to seal my own infill/renovation drawings to submit for permitting within the jurisdictions that I practice in. I have no intention of practicing architecture, designing building envelopes or structures. As designers, we adhere to building codes and ADA compliance, determine occupant loads, design egress and life safety plans, floor plans and coordinate with all disciplines. I currently coordinate daily with many consultants from structural, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing disciplines. HB2158 would be of great value for Registered Interior Designers in Missouri. This will differentiate Registered Interior Designers from Interior Decorators and others that are not as educated, formally tested, or experienced. HB2158 would acknowledge and elevate the practice of Registered Interior Designers in Missouri. Thank you, Catherine King Director of Interiors/NCIDQ Torgerson Design Partners Ozark, MO



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I am in support of this bill because Certified Interior Designers are highly qualified professionals who protect the Health, Safety, and Welfare of the public.



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Dear Members of the House Professional Registration and Licensing Committee, My name is Erika Moody, and I am the President of Helix Architecture in Kansas City, Missouri. I also serve as President-elect for the International Interior Design Association (IIDA) International Board. I am writing to register IIDA's support of HB 2158. Helix Architecture is an integrated architecture and interior design firm, and for more than 30 years has encouraged interior designers to collaborate with their architecture colleagues to utilize their specific but distinct areas of expertise to produce better, holistic results for our clients, with health, safety, and welfare of the public as a priority. I have seen firsthand the benefit of this collaboration between interior designers on our projects, for our clients, our firm and community. We would not practice in any other way, it is truly a competitive advantage to us in hiring and in the pursuit of project excellence. Over the last three years, architecture and interior design communities in 5 states have worked together to draft a policy that allows qualified practitioners to take responsibility for their own work. Much of that language has been incorporated into HB 2158. In fact, 17 jurisdictions in the US allow NCIDQ-certified interior designers to take responsibility for their own work and stamp and seal interior, non-structural construction plans for permitting and that number is growing: Nebraska passed similar legislation just last month. Missouri must be added to this growing list if we are to stay competitive and keep talent in the state. States that do not allow interior designers to stamp and seal interior, non-structural construction plans for permitting are preventing qualified practitioners from practicing to the fullest extent of their capabilities. Although Registered Interior Designers have the education, experience, and examination to protect the public when designing interior spaces, we are required to hire an architect to stamp and seal our nonstructural interior construction plans for permitting. This challenge needlessly passes additional costs onto our customers, and creates hurdles in our day-to-day business. Allowing qualified and competent practitioners to independently protect the public in their practice is good for the economy of Missouri. I urge you to vote YES on HB 2158! Sincerely, Erika L Moody, FIIDA



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I am a one-year postgraduate from Pittsburg State University, I received a bachelor's degree in interior design with an emphasis in construction technology. My education focused on interior design but also included over 60+ hours of construction driven classes, learning about other disciplines roles and how the industry works as a whole. After graduation I accepted a job working in commercial design and have had the opportunity to learn from two Registered Interior Designers. By passing HB 2158, this will not only give those currently registered, but also non-registered interior designers, like myself, the chance to perform to our fullest potential within this industry. Interior designers across Missouri would be receiving the recognition we deserve for our continuing dedication and commitment to designing spaces that are not only aesthetically pleasing but above all have functionality, purpose and safety in mind. Interior design is not interior decorating, and it is time that there is a clear line of distinction between the two.



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Not only is it important to validate the dedication and hard work of the interior design profession, but it should be understood that the interior designer could be held responsible whenever there is harm to people or property damage. Having an individual without licensure could put the general public and the client at risk.



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I am a newly Registered Interior Designer in the State of Missouri. I recently sat for the three exams to become NCIDQ certified and applied for state registration shortly after passing all three exams. Although I am still new to this industry, I have a passion for commercial design and for bettering our communities. I work alongside Architects, Engineers, and other Interior Designers on a daily basis and understand that each discipline plays a large role in this field. By passing this bill, Registered Interior Designers will by no means be taking away any abilities of any other player. It would allow Registered Interior Designers to be differentiated from other Interior Designers, and showcase that we not only have the education and experience necessary to practice, but have the drive to undergo thorough testing. We have the passion to create interesting, safe, and compliant spaces that are expected in commercial settings. The NCIDQ exam is the only industry recognized indicator of an Interior Designer's proficiency and their commitment to the profession. The NCIDQ exam covers seven areas: building systems, codes, construction standards, contract administration, design application, professional practice and project coordination. For Architects, the NCARB exam has six practice-based divisions: practice management, project management, programming & analysis, project planning & design, project development & documentation, and construction & evaluation. If you look into each of these divisions on the NCARB website, the descriptions are incredibly similar to the areas that we are tested on as Registered Interior Designers. By passing HB 2158, it would elevate the practice of Registered Interior Designers and give our profession the respect it deserves. It would be a step in the right direction to help differentiate us from Interior Decorators and less educated and experienced Interior Designers. There are currently 17 other jurisdictions in the US that allow NCIDQ-certified interior designers to take responsibility for their own work and stamp and seal interior, non-structural construction plans for permitting. Please take this bill into consideration so that Registered Interior Designers here in Missouri can practice to the fullest extent of our capabilities. Thank you Jolean Gunter, NCIDQ



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I am submitting testimony in support of HB 2158. I have been a licensed architect for almost a year now. Through my 5 years at my firm post-graduation, I have worked under licensed Architects as well as a registered Interior Designer. I attribute much of my knowledge about interior spaces and code compliance understanding to the Registered Interior Designer. I have worked closely with her during my employment and have personally witnessed her managing many interior infills – but then needing an architect to review and seal those drawings she oversaw the completion of. A phrase used in NCARB Code of Conduct states “an architect shall act with reasonable care and competence, and shall apply the knowledge and skill ordinarily applied by architects in good standing, practicing in the same locality.” I have witnessed Registered Interior Designers following the same code of conduct on all things interiors. They know Building Code as it applies to interior spaces, clearances, and are passionate about making spaces inviting and accessible.



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I am in support of allowing Missouri Registered Interior Designers to practice independently with the ability to stamp and seal their nonstructural interior construction plans for permitting. The education and experience Registered Interior Designers undergo in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public prepare them to do so.



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I am a recently graduated interior designer. I support the bill as it will support me to better grow and support my city/state as a designer.



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I am a Registered Interior Designer who lives and works in the state of Missouri, and I am proud to support House Bill 2158, which will give myself and my colleagues more opportunity by allowing us to sign and stamp our own work.



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I am writing to urge your support for House Bill 2158, a crucial piece of legislation that aims to uphold public health and safety while fostering equality and choice in the interior design marketplace. Passing this bill is vital for various reasons outlined below:

Public Health and Welfare: HB 2158, supported by The Consortium for Interior Design – Missouri, is designed to safeguard public health, safety, and welfare. By ensuring that only qualified professionals oversee interior design projects, we can mitigate potential risks and uphold the highest standards of safety for all.

Professional Qualifications: Registered Interior Designers undergo extensive education, supervised experience, and rigorous NCIDQ certification exams. Their qualifications equip them to responsibly design non-loadbearing, non-seismic, and non-structural interior elements in compliance with building codes, ensuring the well-being of occupants.

National Standards: Seventeen jurisdictions across the United States recognize the competency of NCIDQ-certified interior designers by allowing them to stamp and seal interior construction plans for permitting. Failure to extend this privilege in states like ours hampers qualified practitioners' ability to fully utilize their skills and expertise.

Consumer Choice: Empowering interior designers to manage projects from concept to completion enhances consumer choice and fosters competition in the marketplace. This not only leads to greater innovation and creativity but also tends to lower construction costs and fees, benefiting both private and government clients. This bill will not affect any other licensed professional's ability to practice.

Support for Small Businesses: Enabling consumers to work exclusively with interior designers for interior projects bolsters small design businesses, particularly those owned by women. By leveling the playing field and removing unnecessary barriers, HB 2158 promotes economic growth and diversity within our state.

Your support for HB 2158 is crucial in advancing these important objectives. Together, we can promote a thriving interior design industry while prioritizing public safety and consumer choice.



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I'm sorry to miss this in person due to the date change. This is really important legislation in the advancement of the profession of interior design.



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As a Licensed and Registered Architect in the State of Missouri, I have the privilege to work with amazing Interior Designers every day as a part of my professional team. Similar to the process I had to go through to become registered as an Architect, a NCIDQ Registered Interior Designer also must receive specific formal education, thousands of paid hours of supervised experience, and pass a rigorous exam process to receive certification as a Registered Interior Designer. This is educational, experience, and exam process prepares Interior Designers to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, which is the sole responsibility of our industry. With these qualifications, it is sad that currently a Registered Interior Designer is unable to take full stamp and seal responsibilities for his or her own work (interior, non-structural, non-loadbearing, non-seismic work). Passing this bill will allow Registered Interior Designers to practice to the fullest extent of their capabilities. This legislation has already passed in 17 other states, many of which are surrounding the state of Missouri. Without it passing, you will run the risk of Registered Interior Designers leaving to practice in states where they are recognized fully. Also, this bill will allow consumers to work with only an Interior Designer for all interior work within the scope of practice from permit to project completion. Generally, this means lower cost and fees for clients and will greatly support interior designers, which are predominantly small businesses and women-owned businesses in the state. I am disheartened to hear that others within the design profession are opposing this bill without fully understanding it. The built environment is created by the collaboration of many specific subfields: Civil Engineering, Structural Engineering, Architecture, Systems Engineering, Landscape Architecture, and Interior Design (to name a few). Just like the rest of the design team, a Registered Interior Designer should be able to take responsibility for their work. This bill does not affect or change how we all collaborate together, yet it will bolster up a fellow team member to the level in which they deserve. Thank you for your time.



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As a Registered Architect and a Certified Interior Designer, I am in support of HB 2158 and believe it to be true and accurate in allowing Interior Design professionals to conduct their services in a manner that is equivalent to their training and education.



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In 17 US jurisdictions, Registered Interior Designers are granted the autonomy to oversee their projects, affixing their seal of approval on interior, non-structural construction plans for permitting. States that limit interior designers from endorsing such plans hinder qualified professionals from effectively applying their expertise to ensure the public health, safety, and welfare of the occupants within the space.



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Hello. The Consortium for Interior Design – Missouri strongly advocates for your support of HB 2158. As a Registered Interior Designer, I've committed years to formal education, accumulated thousands of hours of supervised experience, and successfully completed the globally recognized eleven-hour NCIDQ certification exam. Furthermore, I diligently uphold my continuing education obligations annually. These ongoing educational pursuits are indispensable for staying well-informed of the latest trends, technologies, and best practices in the ever-evolving industry. This rigorous training empowers Registered Interior Designers to prioritize public health, safety, and welfare. We possess the expertise to independently manage the design of non-loadbearing, non-seismic, and non-structural interior elements within areas compliant with building codes. In 17 US jurisdictions, Registered Interior Designers are granted the autonomy to oversee their projects, affixing their seal of approval on interior, non-structural construction plans for permitting. States that limit interior designers from endorsing such plans hinder qualified professionals from effectively applying their expertise to ensure the public health, safety, and welfare of the occupants within the space. It is essential for consumers to have the option to engage solely with an interior designer for all interior work within the realm of interior design practice, spanning from conceptualization to permitting to project completion. Increased choice typically correlates with reduced construction costs and fees for both private and government clients, while also providing support to small-scale design businesses, particularly those owned by women, in the state. Your YES vote on HB 2158 will enable me to utilize my skills to their fullest potential.



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I support this bill for interior designers. As an interior design educator and program coordinator for a Council for Interior Design Accredited Interior Design degree in Missouri. I know that students apply codes, regulations, and standards to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Students also effectively apply their knowledge to the contribution of drawings to construction sets for many types of projects. As an accredited program we are held to a rigorous review of student outcomes and compared to other national/international schools of interior design every six years. Interior design majors in this state may begin looking to neighboring states to start practicing interior design where their skills allow them more professional opportunities and respect for the unique and critical knowledge they bring to the built environment.



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On behalf of the American Institute of Architects St. Louis, I'm writing to share our opposition to HB 2158 as it is written and urge those pushing it forward to address the points made below before advancing the bill any further. • **DOES NOT MEET SAME STANDARDS:** Licensed Architects rely on their education, apprenticeship, training, and examination specific to public safety when designing and during construction. Licensing requirements for Interior Designers are not as stringent and do not meet the same standards thus compromising the health, welfare, and safety of Missourians. • **NO FRAMEWORK FOR OVERSIGHT:** The current requirements for Architects to sign and seal construction documents are well defined and understood throughout the municipalities of Missouri. New regulation, without a framework for oversight of liability, will place obligation on the individual municipalities to monitor and regulate the scope of work a Licensed Interior Designer can perform. • **NO INCREASED SAFETY:** As written, this bill offers no heightened level to our existing health, safety, and welfare in the current design and construction process. • **INTRODUCES AMBIGUITY TO EXISTING LAWS:** The design and construction fields operate within a well-defined framework of professional liability and legal responsibility. Inherent ambiguities in the bill could make the State liable under certain circumstances, invite litigation between the parties, and create business barriers through increased insurance costs.



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- DOES NOT MEET SAME STANDARDS:** Licensed Architects rely on their education, apprenticeship, training, and examination specific to public safety when designing and during construction. Licensing requirements for Interior Designers are not as stringent and do not meet the same standards thus compromising the health, welfare, and safety of Missourians. • **NO**

FRAMEWORK FOR OVERSIGHT: The current requirements for Architects to sign and seal construction documents are well defined and understood throughout the municipalities of Missouri. New regulation, without a framework for oversight of liability, will place obligation on the individual municipalities to monitor and regulate the scope of work a Licensed Interior Designer can perform. • **NO**

INCREASED SAFETY: As written, this bill offers no heightened level to our existing health, safety, and welfare in the current design and construction process. • **INTRODUCES AMBIGUITY TO**

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I want to go on record as firmly opposed to House Bill 2148 as it is written. As an Architect, I work closely with many Interior designers and appreciate their contribution to our built environment. But, Interior Designers do not have the education, training or technical skills required to protect the Health, Welfare and Safety of the public and should not be allowed the privilege of signing and sealing residential or commercial building construction documents. Thank you for your service and please vote in opposition to the passage of this bill. Thank you in advance for your consideration.



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I oppose HB2158. The American Institute of Architects Missouri Chapter, representing over 5,000 MO-licensed architecture professionals firmly opposes HB 2158 Interior Design Sign and Seal Privileges. We value the strong relationships we have with our Interior Designer colleagues and partners across the state of Missouri and understand our opposition to this bill may appear otherwise. We want all professions to thrive and reach their fullest potential in how we all positively impact and serve our communities. Our position is that this bill does not define a clear framework to ensure that separate sign and seal privileges do not diminish the current level of health, welfare, and safety standards for all Missourians. We respect and support the Interior Design profession within its current established scope and support the existing Missouri Title Act [RSMo Section 324.403] recognizing the value of the title of Registered Interior Designer. Furthermore, current regulation provides paths for Interior Designers to achieve sign-and-seal privileges that avoid the pitfalls listed above. We assert that this proposed legislation offers no additional benefit to Missourians beyond current practice, yet poses threats to public safety and introduces regulatory complexity.

REASONS FOR OPPOSING:

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- NO FRAMEWORK FOR OVERSIGHT:** The current requirements for Architects to sign and seal construction documents are well defined and understood throughout the municipalities of Missouri. New regulation, without a framework for oversight of liability, will place obligation on the individual municipalities to monitor and regulate the scope of work a Licensed Interior Designer can perform.
- NO INCREASED SAFETY:** As written, this bill offers no heightened level to our existing health, safety, and welfare in the current design and construction process.
- INTRODUCES AMBIGUITY TO EXISTING LAWS:** The design and construction fields operate within a well-defined framework of professional liability and legal responsibility. Inherent ambiguities in the bill could make the State liable under certain circumstances, invite litigation between the parties, and create business barriers through increased insurance costs.



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As a licensed architect and AIA member, I support the AIA position on the proposed Interior Design Licensure – HB 2158 legislation. Please oppose its passage. R. Michelle Rook, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP BD+C, WELL AP, GPCPAIA MISSOURI POSITIONThe American Institute of Architects Missouri Chapter, representing over 5,000 MO-licensed architecture professionals firmly opposes HB 2158 Interior Design Sign and Seal Privileges. We value the strong relationships we have with our Interior Designer colleagues and partners across the state of Missouri and understand our opposition to this bill may appear otherwise. We want all professions to thrive and reach their fullest potential in how we all positively impact and serve our communities. Our position is that this bill does not define a clear framework to ensure that separate sign and seal privileges do not diminish the current level of health, welfare, and safety standards for all Missourians. We respect and support the Interior Design profession within its current established scope and support the existing Missouri Title Act [RSMo Section 324.403] recognizing the value of the title of Registered Interior Designer. Furthermore, current regulation provides paths for Interior Designers to achieve sign-and-seal privileges that avoid the pitfalls listed above. We assert that this proposed legislation offers no additional benefit to Missourians beyond current practice, yet poses threats to public safety and introduces regulatory complexity. REASONS FOR OPPOSING: DOES NOT MEET SAME STANDARDS: Licensed Architects rely on their education, apprenticeship, training, and examination specific to public safety when designing and during construction. Licensing requirements for Interior Designers are not as stringent and do not meet the same standards thus compromising the health, welfare, and safety of Missourians. NO FRAMEWORK FOR OVERSIGHT: The current requirements for Architects to sign and seal construction documents are well defined and understood throughout the municipalities of Missouri. New regulation, without a framework for oversight of liability, will place obligation on the individual municipalities to monitor and regulate the scope of work a Licensed Interior Designer can perform. NO INCREASED SAFETY: As written, this bill offers no heightened level to our existing health, safety, and welfare in the current design and construction process. INTRODUCES AMBIGUITY TO EXISTING LAWS: The design and construction fields operate within a well-defined framework of professional liability and legal responsibility. Inherent ambiguities in the bill could make the State liable under certain circumstances, invite litigation between the parties, and create business barriers through increased insurance costs.



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- **Interior designers do not meet the same standards of training:** Licensed Architects rely on their education, apprenticeship, training, and examination specific to public safety when designing and during construction. Licensing requirements for Interior Designers are not as stringent and do not meet the same standards thus compromising the health, welfare, and safety of Missourians.
- **Interior designers does not have the same level of oversight:** The current requirements for Architects to sign and seal construction documents are well defined and understood throughout the municipalities of Missouri. New regulation, without a framework for oversight of liability, will place obligation on the individual municipalities to monitor and regulate the scope of work a Licensed Interior Designer can perform.
- **This bill lowers safety standards:** As written, this bill offers no heightened level to our existing health, safety, and welfare in the current design and construction process.
- **This bill makes other legislation ambiguous:** The design and construction fields operate within a well-defined framework of professional liability and legal responsibility. Inherent ambiguities in the bill could make the State liable under certain circumstances, invite litigation between the parties, and create business barriers through increased insurance costs.



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To practice Interior Design as HB2158 describes designing spaces within facilities practicing non-loadbearing construction, you are still required to provide sealed documents to the jurisdiction to receive a building permit. Even within Springfield, MO, you still need to provide an architect's seal to do so. Aside from only changing mere finishes, to provide demo plans, floor plans, life safety/egress plans or anything else needed for a permit, you will currently need an architect to seal the drawings. I am asking that this responsibility be afforded to Registered Interior Designers.