



SB-1132 Architects: architects-in-training. (2015-2016)

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2015–2016 REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL

NO. 1132

Introduced by Senator Galgiani

February 18, 2016

An act to add and repeal Section 5500.2 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1132, Galgiani. Architects: architects-in-training.

The Architects Practice Act provides for licensing and regulation of persons engaged in the practice of architecture by the California Architects Board, which is within the Department of Consumer Affairs, and defines the term “architect” for those purposes. That act requires an applicant for licensure as an architect to, among other things, take an examination. Existing regulations require an applicant for licensure to take the Architect Registration Examination.

This bill would authorize a person to use the title “architect-in-training” while he or she is enrolled in the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards’ Architectural Experience Program, as specified. The bill would prohibit the use of an abbreviation or derivative of that title and would prohibit a person from using that title to independently offer or provide services to the public. The bill would authorize the board to disclose a person’s authorization to use that title to a member of the public upon request. The bill would provide that the use of that title in violation of these provisions may constitute unprofessional conduct and subject the user of the title to administrative action, including, but not limited to, citation. The bill would repeal this provision on January 1, 2020.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 5500.2 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

5500.2. (a) A person may use the title “architect-in-training” while he or she is enrolled in the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards’ Architectural Experience Program as specified in Division 2 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations.

(b) An abbreviation or derivative of the title “architect-in-training” shall not be used.

(c) A person shall not use the title “architect-in-training” to independently offer or provide services to the public.

(d) Notwithstanding any other law, the board may disclose a person’s authorization to use the title “architect-in-training” to a member of the public upon request.

(e) The use of the title “architect-in-training” in violation of this section may constitute unprofessional conduct and subject the user of the title to administrative action, including, but not limited to, citation, discipline, and denial of a license.

(f) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2020, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2020, deletes or extends that date.