

Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Possible Amendments to Rules Governing Architect, Land Surveyor and Professional Engineer Licensure Requirements; and Housekeeping Updates, *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 1800

Revisor's ID Number: R-04898

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design requests comments on its possible amendment to rules governing architect, land surveyor and professional engineer licensure requirements, and housekeeping items. The Board is considering rule amendments to:

- allow for direct registration for both the Fundamentals of Engineering and Principles and Practice of Engineering examinations, with individuals applying to the Board for licensure after completion of the education, examination, and experience requirements;
- add an ETAC-accredited degree, accompanied by six years of qualifying experience, as an education and experience alternative for licensure as a professional engineer;
- add alternative education options for licensure as an architect;
- add experience options for licensure as an architect for those who completed the Architect Registration Examination in another jurisdiction;
- modify the professional examination requirements for licensure as a land surveyor to reflect changes by NCEES to the exam structure and content;
- clarify the education and experience requirements for licensure as a land surveyor;
- make housekeeping modifications.

Persons Affected. The amendment to and repeal of the rules would likely affect examinees, applicants and licensees/certificate holders.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 326.06, authorizes the Board to “make all rules, not inconsistent with law, needed in performing its duties.”

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing or orally until further notice is published in the *State Register* that the Board intends to adopt or to withdraw the rules. The Board will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from the date of this request for comments. The Board does not plan to appoint an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

Rules Drafts. The Board does not anticipate that a draft of the rule amendments will be available before the publication of the proposed rules.

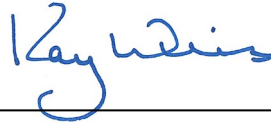
Agency Contact Person. Written or oral comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to: Kay Weiss at the Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 160, St. Paul, MN 55101, phone: 651-757-1523 or email: kay.weiss@state.mn.us. TTY users may call the Board at 800-627-3529.

Alternative Format. Upon request, this information can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge if and when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed. If you submitted comments during the development of the rules and you want

to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Dated: September 10, 2024



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