

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1465
(Representatives Longmuir, Dockter, Fegley, Hatlestad, Richter, Stemen, Vigesaa)
(Senators Bekkedahl, Kannianen, Rust, Vedaa)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 43-03-03 and 43-03-04 and subsections 4 and 5 of section 43-03-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to membership of the state board of architecture and landscape architecture; and to provide for application.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 43-03-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

43-03-03. State board of architecture and landscape architecture - Members - Term of office - How vacancies filled.

1. The state board of architecture and landscape architecture consists of ~~three~~five members appointed by the governor for terms of six years each with ~~their~~ terms of office staggered so ~~arranged that no more than~~ one term and ~~only one~~ expires on March fourteenth of each ~~odd-numbered~~ year.
2. The board is composed of three architects, one landscape architect, and one public member.
3. Each member of the board shall qualify by taking the oath of office required of civil officers and shall hold office until that member's successor is appointed and qualified, and any vacancy occurring in the board must be filled by the governor for the unexpired term.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 43-03-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

43-03-04. Qualifications of members of board - Removal of members.

Each professional member of the board must be a resident of this state who is an architect or landscape architect and who has been a resident of and in active practice in this state ~~as an architect~~ for not less than five years before appointment. The public member of the board must be a resident of this state for at least five years before appointment, who is not licensed under this chapter, who is not a spouse of an individual licensed under this chapter, and who is not employed by an architecture or landscape architecture firm. The governor may remove any member of the board for inefficiency or neglect of duty.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Subsection 4 of section 43-03-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

4. In the case of an architect, must hold ~~either~~:
 - a. Hold a professional degree in architecture from an accredited school of architecture and must have the required practical experience, as established by the board; or
 - b. Provide evidence of education and experience that is substantially equivalent to a professional degree and practical experience, as established by the board;

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. Subsection 5 of section 43-03-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5. In the case of a landscape architect, must hold ~~either~~:

- a. A professional degree in landscape architecture from an accredited school of landscape architecture and must have the required practical experience, as established by the board; and~~or~~
- b. Provide evidence of education and experience that is substantially equivalent to a professional degree and practical experience, as established by the board; and

SECTION 5. APPLICATION. Notwithstanding section 43-03-03, to stagger terms, the initial appointment of the new members of the state board of architecture and landscape architecture may be for terms shorter than six years.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1465.

House Vote: Yeas 86 Nays 4 Absent 4

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 1 Absent 2

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2023.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2023.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2023,

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Secretary of State