



ALASKA BOARD OF
REGISTERED ARCHITECTS,
ENGINEERS, AND LAND
SURVEYORS

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING MAY 21-22, 2025

DAY 1

CALL TO ORDER

State of Alaska
*Board of Registration for Architects,
Engineers, and Land Surveyors*

MISSION STATEMENT

The board's mission is to protect the public health, safety, and welfare through the regulation of the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, and landscape architecture by:

- ensuring that those entering these professions in this state meet minimum standards of competency, and maintain such standards during their practice; and**
- enforcing the licensure and competency requirements in a fair and uniform manner.**



Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

Virtual Meeting Code of Conduct

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- Because CBPL and its boards value a diversity of views and opinions, all board members, invited guests, members of the public, and division staff will be treated with respect.
- Be considerate, respectful, and collaborative with fellow participants.
- Demonstrate understanding that the board is following a business agenda and may reasonably change it to ensure meeting efficiency. Unless invited ahead of time to address the board, the chair may recognize members of the public to speak for a limited time during the public comment period.
- Recognize the chair has the authority to manage the meeting, and staff may intercede to assist, if needed.
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 - Use of music, noise, or background conversations as a disruption. While this may happen briefly or incidentally, prolonged or repeated incidents are prohibited.
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- Report conduct to an appropriate state entity/organization;
- Report conduct to local law enforcement.

ETHICS DISCLOSURES



ALASKA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, AND LAND SURVEYORS TENTATIVE AGENDA



Board Members

Jeffrey Garness

*Engineer other than those listed
(Chair)*

Edward Leonetti

*Landscape Architect
(Vice Chair)*

Sterling Strait

*Civil Engineer
(Secretary)*

Paul Baril

Architect

John Barry

Mining Engineer

Vacant

Public Member

Samson Shepherd

Electrical/Mechanical Engineer

Vacant

Land Surveyor

Colin Maynard

Civil Engineer

Brad Rinckey

Land Surveyor

Vacant

Architect

Board Staff

Joseph Bonnell

Executive Administrator

Kelly Johnson

Licensing Examiner

MAY 21-22, 2025

MEETING DETAILS

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

MEETING START TIME: 9:00 AM

MEETING END TIME: 4:00 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING ZOOM LINK (REGISTRATION REQUIRED):

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/04S_9fJzSL65z1anJzL-Ag

MEETING ID: 838 2431 8773

AGENDA DAY 1, MAY 21ST

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – 9:00 AM
2. MISSION STATEMENT/VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE
3. ETHICS DISCLOSURES
4. REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA
5. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 12-13, 2025
 - b. MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 9, 2025
 - c. OUTREACH REPORTS
 - d. MONTHLY APPLICANTS REVIEWED BY BOARD OR STAFF, JANUARY – APRIL 2025
 - e. OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE
 - i. “GRADUATION LETTER”
 1. UAA
 2. UAF

3. UW
6. NEW BOARD MEMBER WELCOME
7. NATIONAL ORGANIZATION UPDATES
 - a. NCEES
 - i. WESTERN ZONE MEETING REPORT
 - ii. ISSUES/TOPICS FOR ABM
 - b. NCARB
 - i. REGIONAL SUMMIT REPORT
 - ii. RESOLUTIONS FOR ABM
 - c. CLARB
 - i. RESOLUTIONS FOR ABM
8. STRATEGIC PLAN, JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 31, 2026
 - a. INTRODUCTION TO PLAN, DISCUSSION ON DAY 2
9. BREAK – 10:15 AM
10. DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING UPDATES
 - a. QUARTERLY DIVISION REPORT
 - b. HB158/ SB145- PROFESSIONAL LICENSING, TEMPORARY PERMITS
11. PUBLIC COMMENT – 11:30 AM
12. BREAK FOR LUNCH – 12:00 PM
13. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. ANNUAL REPORT
 - b. REGULATION PROJECT UPDATE
 - c. CE AUDIT UPDATE
 - i. CONNIE YI
 - d. STAFF REPORT ON INQUIRIES REVEALING POTENTIAL PRACTICE WITHOUT A LICENSE
14. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. 3RD PARTY VENDORS/ PREFABRICATED PRODUCTS
 - b. FIRMS OFFERING NAVAL ARCHITECTURE & MARINE ENGINEERING SERVICES (SHIP CONSTRUCTION)
 - c. BOARD VACANCIES
15. BREAK – 2:30 PM
16. APPLICANT REVIEW
 - a. ALI EL EZZY
 - b. JOSHUA FLOCK
 - c. RICARDO CASTANO
 - d. SAM GRASSO
 - e. ADEL POURSHARIF
 - f. MICHAEL CANDLER
 - g. CAROL QING LI-NO

h. JAMES VAN HORNE

17. QUESTIONS FROM STAFF REGARDING SPECIFIC PROCEDURES

18. RECESS FOR THE DAY – 4:00 PM

AGENDA DAY 2, MAY 22ND

19. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – 9:00 AM

20. INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

21. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. INVESTIGATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

i. BARRIER CRIMES PROPOSED REGULATION LANGUAGE

b. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

i. CE TRACKING DOCUMENTS ON WEBSITE UPDATE

ii. CRC ENGINEERING COURSE

iii. ABET PROGRAMS UPDATED IN BOARD POLICIES

iv. UAA/UF ENGINEERING GRADUATE CORDS (NCEES)

v. FE EXAM SEATS- UPDATE FROM NCEES

c. OUTREACH COMMITTEE

i. 2025 NEWSLETTER

ii. GUIDANCE LETTER TO SOA AGENCIES REGARDING PROCUREMENT PRACTICES AND LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

iii. OUTREACH EVENTS SEPARATE FROM BOARD MEETINGS

22. BREAK – 10:30 AM

23. COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED

a. LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE

i. SB54 UPDATES FOLLOWING SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON APRIL 9TH

ii. HB215 DISCUSSION

iii. HB158/ SB145 DISCUSSION

24. BREAK FOR LUNCH – 12:00 PM

25. COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED

a. PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

i. STRATEGIC PLAN, JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 31, 2026 DISCUSSION

26. SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP REPORTS

a. FE WAIVER SPECIAL COMMITTEE

i. REVIEW LANGUAGE FOR POTENTIAL REGULATION PROJECT
12 AAC 36.090

b. RESPONSIBLE CHARGE WORKING GROUP

i. REVIEW USE OF TERM “RESPONSIBLE CHARGE” IN STATUTE AND
REGULATION

ii. POSSIBLE HOLD ON WORKING GROUP FOR ONE YEAR

- c. LAND SURVEYOR WORKING GROUP
 - i. ASPLS MEETING REPORT
 - ii. ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS FOR LICENSURE
 - iii. NEXT WORKING GROUP MEETING WILL BE IN THE FALL
- 27. BREAK – 2:30 PM
- 28. LICENSING EXAMINER’S REPORT
- 29. READ APPLICANTS INTO RECORD
- 30. REVIEW ACTION ITEM LIST
- 31. NEW COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND SET MEETING DATES
- 32. TRAVEL POLICY UPDATES FOR BOARD MEETINGS IN FY26
- 33. UPCOMING CALENDAR
 - a. JUNE 19-21, 2025- NCARB ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, SCOTTSDALE, AZ
 - b. AUGUST 6-7, 2025- AELS QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING
 - c. AUGUST 19-22, 2025- NCEES ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, NEW ORLEANS, LA
 - d. SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2025- CLARB ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, LEXINGTON, KY
 - e. NOVEMBER TBA – AELS QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING
- 34. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS
- 35. ADJOURN – 4:00 PM

NEXT QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING, AUGUST 6-7, 2025

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 12-13, 2025
- B. MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 9, 2025
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- D. MONTHLY APPLICANTS REVIEWED BY BOARD STAFF, JANUARY – APRIL 2025
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
 DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
**BOARD OF REGISTRATION ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS,
 AND LAND SURVEYORS**

CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 12-13TH, 2025

**These are DRAFT minutes prepared by staff of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing.
 They have not been reviewed or approved by the Board.**

Date:	February 12-13, 2025
Time:	9am- 4pm
Location:	University of Alaska Anchorage, Engineering & Industry Building, Room 413
Attending:	<p>Jeff Garness, Ed Leonetti, Sterling Strait, Paul Baril, John Barry, Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, Jake Maxwell, Colin Maynard, Brad Rinckey, Randall Rozier Board Staff: Joseph Bonnell, Sara Neal and Kelly Johnson Division Staff: Sylvan Rob (Item 9), Patrick Kase (Item 18), Billy Homestead (Item 18), Sara Chambers (Item 23D), Glenn Saviers Invited Testimony: Aaron Blaisdell (Item 5D1a), Matt Barusch (Item 12A), Dana Nunn (Item 12A), Senator Matt Claman (Item 23D) Public: Raymond Jess Duenas, Nathan Kaaihue, Samuel Horning, Chris Miller, Barbara Cash, Mary Knopf, David Parish, Amy Orange-Posma, Jessica Cederberg, Jon Order, Cixia Wang, Sarena Hackenmiller</p>
Absent:	N/A

Day 1, February 12, 2025

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Virtual Notice

2. Review/Amend/Approve Agenda

Motion: Approve Agenda	<p><i>In a Motion made by Jeff Garness, seconded by Ed Leonetti to approve the agenda.</i></p> <p><i>Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Colin Maynard amended the motion to move item 5D1a to 10am on day 2. Amendment was approved unanimously.</i></p> <p><i>Elizabeth Beckett Johnson, seconded Paul Baril amended the motion to add item 12F, FE Waiver to the agenda. Amendment was approved unanimously.</i></p> <p><i>The main motion made by Jeff Garness, seconded by Ed Leonetti and approved unanimously:</i></p> <p>RESOLVED to approve the agenda with amendments for the February 12-13th, 2025 meeting.</p>
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3. Consent Agenda

- A. Approve November 13-14th, 2024, meeting minutes
- B. Monthly applicants reviewed by board staff (October- December 2024)
- C. Outgoing Correspondence
 - 1. UAA CTC-“C” or better

2. UAA
3. UAF
4. UW
5. Invite- Aaron Blaisdell NCEES WZ VP- "Responsible Charge"
6. Patrick Burden- Education and Experience
7. Zachary Bush- Application Decision

Motion:

In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Brad Rinckey and approved unanimously; it was:

Approve Consent

Agenda

RESOLVED to approve the consent agenda.

4. Ethics Reporting

Maynard is on the NCEES leadership development committee. Beckett Johnston has been to the NCEES Board of Directors meeting, Professional Engineers meeting, and the ICOR meeting, all paid for by NCEES. Baril in the role of Licensed Architect with the American Institute of Architects, Alaska Chapter, as the Chair of the Advocacy Committee helped to negotiate SB54.

5. General Information

- A. Mission Statement
- B. Virtual Meeting Code of Conduct
- C. Strategic Plan 3/1/2024-2/28/2025
- D. National Organization Updates
 1. NCEES
 - a. NCEES definition of "responsible charge/progressive experience"- Moved to Day Two (motion made under item #2)
 Update from Beckett Johnston:
 The public lands survey exam is under development and should be available in approximately 2028.
 PE Mechanical Plumbing exam is under development and will also be available in approximately 2028.
 The PE Structural Exam has had two CBT based administrations. The PAKS (questionnaire of the practitioners) is open for a vote on structural engineering and control systems engineering. Beckett Johnston reached out the AKDOT Bridge Design group to inform them of this opportunity to have input on the exam since they have raised concerns to the Board in the past. The PE Nuclear exam is being put on probation/suspension. Alaska requires applicants to apply in the discipline you want to be registered in, if test remains suspended the board would only be able to approve applicants by comity or those who have taken an older exam.
 2. NCARB

Update from Baril:

New board of directors met in January and are working on changes to the Architectural Experience Program (AXP) to align it with NCARBs new Competency Standard for Architects. There is an upcoming regional meeting (February 27th-March 1st) that will be attended by Paul Baril and Joseph Bonnell (Board EA). Annual business meeting dates have been announce for June 19th-21st. NCARB is looking for volunteers for board seats. Beckett Johnston provided an update that NCARB announced at ICOR that they will be transitioning away from exams in three years. As part of the competency based model they will be looking at ways to determine competency apart from the exam. The Alaska board currently requires examination as a pathway for registration, this will need to be addressed in three years.
 3. CLARB

Update from Leonetti:

There is not much activity to report on. CLARB is aware of SB54 and the board's sunset.

6. Old Business

<p>A. Sunset Audit Report</p> <p>B. Regulation Projects Update Update from Neal: All sections which have been approved by the board prior are currently with Department of Law and have not been public noticed yet.</p> <p>C. CE Audit Update</p> <p>1. Voluntary Surrender- Berchmans Wick</p>
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<p>Motion: Voluntary Surrender- Berchmans Wick</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved unanimously via roll call vote, it was:</i></p> <p><i>RESOLVED that having examined the voluntary surrender, decision and order in Case# 2024-000587 in the matter of Berchmans Wick, Professional Civil Engineer registration #AELC12485, the Alaska State Board of Registration Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors hereby adopts the voluntary surrender, decision and order in its entirety, effective immediately upon signature of the is order in accordance with the approval by the board.</i></p>
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<p>2. Consent Agreement- Geoffrey Taylor</p>
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<p>Motion: Consent Agreement- Geoffrey Taylor</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved unanimously via roll call vote, it was:</i></p> <p><i>RESOLVED that having examined the consent agreement, decision and order in Case# 2024-000603 in the matter of Geoffrey Taylor, Professional Mechanical Engineer registration #AELM13807, the Alaska State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors hereby adopts the consent agreement, decision and order in its entirety, effective immediately upon signature of this order in accordance with the approval by the board.</i></p>
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<p>8. Election for AELS Board Officers (8/2025-5/2026)</p>

<p>Motion: Election of Board Officers</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Paul Baril and approved unanimously: it was:</i></p> <p><i>RESOLVED to approve as follows Secretary Colin Maynard, as Vice Chair Sterling Strait, and as Chair Ed Leonetti for 7/1/2025 to 6/30/2026.</i></p>
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<p>12. New Business</p>

<p>A. CIDQ Presentation- scheduled for 1pm (after lunch break), Day One.</p> <p>B. Environmental vs Civil Education</p> <p>A letter was received requesting that someone with an environmental degree be able to take the civil engineer exam. The reverse is allowed (civil degree to take environmental exam). Beckett Johnston had reviewed the ABET requirements for both degrees (environmental and civil) and feels there is sufficient overlap.</p>
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<p>Motion: Adding Environmental Engineer to Alternate ABET programs</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Colin Maynard, seconded by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston and approved unanimously, it was:</i></p> <p><i>RESOLVED to modify the boards education chart to add the Environmental Engineering degree to the Alternative ABET Engineering degree programs for the Civil Exam.</i></p>
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<p>Action Item</p>	<p><i>Board staff will update education chart and Board Policy and Historical Information document.</i></p>
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<p>Beckett Johnston had reviewed the ABET degree requirements for both Computer Engineering and Computer Science degrees and found them substantially similar to electrical engineering. Her intent is that there is a pathway for licensure for those who have either degree.</p>
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Motion: Adding Computer Engineering and Computer Science degrees	<i>In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved unanimously, it was: RESOLVED under the Board Guidance Policies under the Electrical Engineering exam Alternative ABET Engineering Degree Program to add Computer Engineering and Computer Science.</i>
Action Item	<i>Board staff will update education chart and Board Policy and Historical Information document.</i>
Action Item	<i>Education Committee will review full list of degrees in policy to see if there are any other ABET degrees that should be included in the list.</i>

C. Accepting projects before being licensed in Alaska

Maynard was concerned that it was an ethical violation if individuals are accepting projects before being licensed. This concern included proposing on a project as this is offering services in Alaska, which is evidence of practicing without a license. Strait noted that it is his understanding that the general practice for engineers out of state is to come to Alaska to apply for licensure by comity and work on a project. They are not going to do that unless they have a project to work on.

For the benefit of the public Beckett Johnston read AS 08.48.281(a) into the record:

“A person may not practice or offer to practice the profession of architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture in the state, or use in connection with the person’s name or otherwise assume or advertise a title or description tending to convey the impression that the person is an architect, an engineer, a land surveyor, or a landscape architect, unless the person has been registered under the provisions of this chapter, or, in the case of a corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited partnership, or limited liability partnership, unless it has been authorized under this chapter.”

A straw poll was done to see who agreed with Maynard’s position, all agreed except for Maxwell and Strait.

Rozier noted that the larger entities have built in language in RFPs that require a license in the state in order to bid, however the smaller entities often do not, and this is where the issue comes up.

Bonnell proposed that the board may take a “combined” approach moving forward while the outreach committee discusses public education, staff will forward to investigations following standard Division practice.

Action Item	<i>Outreach Committee will discuss how to educate the public on not practicing or giving the impression of practice (prohibition of practice) without a license.</i>
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D. Incoming Correspondence

1. Matt Christian- Requesting letter from board

Request was for letter indicating that an SE is not required for their project as it is not in their determination a “significant structure”. Maynard noted that he is in violation of statutes since he does not have a license. Strait agreed. Leonetti recommended that he should be referred to investigations as there appears to be evidence of practice without a license. Rozier noted that the plans provided by Christian are dated 2021 could indicate that significant work is being done by a large team none of which is registered in Alaska.

Staff will respond to Christian via email and refer to investigations.

7. Break

9. Division Report

A. FY25 Quarter 2 Financial Report- Director Robb presented the Division Report

B. Update on EA Salary

Classification study remains ongoing, they are on stage 6 out of 7. No completion date yet.

C. Update of ADEC

ADEC agreed to make changes to their regulations, they are working through the process. Garness noted that the ADEC regulations did go out for public comment. Garness and Barry responded as members of the public that there are still a few issues with the regulations as presented.

D. Update on Military & Spouse Special Licensure

Federal law has had some changes. A new requirement is a license must be issued within 30 days of receiving the application. It does allow a temporary license to be issued if unable to issue a permanent license in that timeframe. Additional requirements for applicants include proof of the military orders, a marriage certificate if the spouse, a notarized affidavit confirming the applicant's identity, all the statements are true and that the applicant had read and understands the scope of practice for the license in the new state. In addition, certification that the applicant meets all the requirements that are in the SCRA and that they are in good standing in all the states where they hold or have held a license.

Items that were removed (in effect March 23rd) are the requirement of active practice within the prior 2 years and that the license must be for the length of the military orders. This will allow these licenses to expire under the standard timeline of the Alaska board.

12. New Business (continued from above)

D. Incoming Correspondence

2. Nehemiah Williams- Land Surveyor Education

Requesting a pathway for licensure that allow for an alternative to the current education requirements. Change would include an addition to the Table of Education and Work Experience Requirements for Professional Land Surveyors.

Tabled until day two, Education Committee report.

10. Public Comment

Chris Miller- Spoke on the topic of Land Surveyor education, suggested any regulations allow pathway for a new surveyor to be completed in eight years. Supports adding a Mechanical Engineer seat on the board and the proposed "regulation" (statute) to add it. Spoke on the Arctic Engineering education requirements for licensure, supports keeping it as a necessary part of the licensing process; however, does support the concept of a short course with the necessary breadth and depth.

Catherine Fritz (email)- On the topic of Interior Design (ID) regulation and SB54, only representing herself and not Alaska AIA; recommends ID regulation to be a Title Act, using Pennsylvania as an example, where the term "certified" is used for IDs and "licensed" for architects. Listed other concerns about SB54 as currently worded including the use of the term "practice", the need for comity (and its practicality), Corporate Authorization and lack of Executive Administrator salary increase.

Aaron Blaisdell- Spoke on the topic of Land Surveyor education, noted it is becoming increasingly difficult to seek quality education while on the job. Surveying programs do not attract large numbers of students, subsequently there are less programs available. No data that Aaron is aware of that education makes a better surveyor. The second item was regarding being able to offer services without being licensed in Alaska; feels that there is a gray area on whether one may propose on a project without a license.

11. Lunch Break

12. New Business (continued from above)

A. CIDQ Presentation- presented by Matt Barusch and Dana Nunn

CIDQ is a membership comprised of regulatory boards across the U.S. and Canada for interior designers. Primary service is to write and administer the NCIDQ exam. CIDQ is a part of ICOR, which also includes NCARB, NCEES and CLARB. ICOR supports interior design regulation.

Garness asked about title acts vs practice acts and which they found was working and not working. Barusch replied that title acts with permitting privileges has been the most predominate at the state level and have been working out very well. Garness inquired further about overlap of practice between architects and interior designers, CIDQ is attempting to address these areas with a Practice Overlap Task Force. Nunn spoke to the overlap of practice providing

some examples in what she does and does not do as an Interior Designer. CIDQ has model law language that can help guide the board.

Beckett Johnston inquired if the NCIDQ exam was fixed form or LOFT (Linear-on-the-fly testing), Nunn replied that the exam was from a pool of questions (LOFT). Additionally, it was asked what term was used in other states as opposed to “registered” as currently proposed in SB54. Barusch replied that “registered” was the most common. The final question was regarding decoupling; currently applicants approach CIDQ for registering for the NCIDQ exam in other jurisdiction, if Alaska requires the board to approve applicants to sit for the exam, CIDQ could work with the Alaska board on the process.

Leonetti asked if CIDQ participated in SB54. Barusch replied they support it, but did not participate in crafting it. Nunn noted that ASID has worked with AIA since 2022 regarding regulation, however SB54 was not a bill that either were involved with, although AIA has provided a verbal commitment to not oppose the bill as written.

Garness inquired if CIDQ had a seal for interior designers. Barusch replied that they do not, the seal is typically prescribed by the regulatory boards.

It was requested that CIDQ send to staff the definitions they have for the profession of interior design.

E. Decoupling

Maynard commented that allowing for taking exams before experience is setting people up for failure. Beckett Johnston expressed concern that decoupling could lower the effectiveness of the exams, as allowing individuals to take the exam before they are ready will lead to a higher failure rate, which would then lead the exams to slowly be reworked in response to the high failure rates. The result would be an “academic” test and not an “experience” test. Strait was in favor of decoupling as many people have more opportunity to take the exam right out of school, where the longer they wait the less time they may have due to family and life matters.

Beckett Johnston suggested that the board could allow individuals to go direct to the exam if it has been 4 years after their degree, to remove the barrier of the board, due to its meeting schedule, not being able to approve applicants to sit for exam until after the exam has occurred for the year. Maynard suggested they could mirror what they do with FE exams, where individuals can take the exam after three years of experience, while still requiring four years before licensure.

<p>Motion: Creating a Regulation Project on Decoupling</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Sterling Strait, seconded by John Barry to open a regulation project to consider revisions to the topic of decoupling and how the board can improve access to testing for new registrants.</i></p> <p><i>A friendly amendment was made to form a special committee in place of starting a regulation project.</i></p> <p><i>Motion was withdrawn.</i></p>
<p>Action Item</p>	<p><i>Special Committee on Decoupling was appointed under the authority of the board chair for up to one year with Sterling Strait, Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, and John Barry as members.</i></p>

F. FE Waiver

Beckett Johnston proposed to have a regulation project to amend 12 AAC 36.090 to offer alternatives to FE exam waivers such as additional experience or education requirements.

<p>Motion: Open Regulation Project for 12 AAC 36.090, FE Waiver</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved via roll call vote: it was:</i></p> <p><i>RESOLVED create a regulation project to amend 12 AAC 36.090 to add additional options for waiver of Fundamentals of Engineering examination.</i></p> <p><i>YES: Barry, Beckett Johnston, Maynard, Baril, Garness, Leonetti, Strait, Rinckey, Rozier</i></p> <p><i>NO: Maxwell</i></p>
<p>Action Item</p>	<p><i>Special Committee on regulation project for 12 AAC 36.090, FE Waiver was appointed with Maynard and Garness as members.</i></p>

13. Licensing Examiner’s Report

Thirty-two applications were reviewed by the board and staff for the second quarter of FY24 (October-December). Report was made on comity and exam number of applicants.

14. Break

15. Application Review Questions

A. Sean O'Neill

Applicant is requesting to sit for the AKLS exam (scheduled April 2025) before completion of their four-year degree (set to graduate in May 2025).

**Motion:
Approve Sean
O'Neal to sit for
AKLS Exam**

In a Motion made by Colin Maynard, seconded by Paul Baril and approved unanimously via roll call vote, it was:

RESOLVED to allow Sean O'Neill to take the AKLS in April of 2025.

B. Philip Beatty

Applicant for Electrical Engineer by comity with work experience verified by a Civil Engineer is requesting approval from the board.

**Motion:
Request Two
Letters of
Recommendation
for Philip Beatty**

In a Motion made by Sterling Strait, seconded by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston and approved unanimously via roll call vote, it was:

RESOLVED to ask Philip Beatty to submit two letters of recommendation from a peer in a branch of engineering for which the applicant has applied or related branch in accordance with 12 AAC 36.105.

C. Francisco Juan Olguin -Juarez

Applicant for Mechanical Engineer by comity with work verification by a Civil Engineer is requesting approval from the board.

**Motion:
Accept Work
Verification for
Francisco Juan
Olguin-Juarez**

In a Motion made by Colin Maynard, seconded by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston and approved unanimously via roll call vote, it was:

RESOLVED to accept the work experience verification of 7 months responsible charge as verified by the civil engineer.

16. Recess for the Day

Day 2, February 13, 2025

17. Special Groups Updates

A. Land Surveyor Working Group

1. Regulation 12 AAC 36.065

Maxwell reported the working group met on January 7th and came up with proposed language for regulation 12 AAC 36.065. The purpose is how to open up another avenue for licensure for someone who does not have a four-year degree. Pathway proposed is to increase experience for reduced education. Beckett Johnston questioned why the proposed regulation has a higher credit requirement (45) than model law does (30). Additionally, it was noted that there was no minimum grade for credits taken. Strait's concern is does this actually open up a path, or is the standard too high? Beckett Johnston noted that the proposed regulation would make Alaska the only state with such a high credit requirement. It was also noted that if Alaska becomes "too special" then the board would not have the comity pathway for those applicants coming from other jurisdictions.

Beckett Johnston proposed 30 credits in surveying science and surveying practice with 18 in mathematics and basic science, dropping the general education. Sterling supported this proposal which aligns with NCEES verbiage for a foreign degree.

Garness asked if Maxwell and Rinckey were in agreement on the language the committee proposed; Rinckey wants more research.

Action Item

Working group will continue to work on research and regulation verbiage.

18. Investigative Report

Kase presented the report; fifteen open cases, one case closed with an incomplete complaint status.

The board inquired about individuals accepting or proposing on a project before they are licensed. The board wants to refer them to the investigations. Homestead inquired if the board was willing to take a more educational path prior to a cease and desist being issued. The board has distinguished in discussion regarding AS 08.48.281 that those who have already obtained a project versus those who are applying for a license. Homestead noted that there are different options available when it is an applicant versus an individual or firm that is not licensed.

Sterling asked where the board can receive a definitive answer on an interpretation of the matter.

Bonnell informed the board that staff can compile a report of specific numbers of what is coming in, and what is being said.

Homestead noted that the object is compliance, if the behavior is corrected from an educational standpoint, then that could satisfy the board's intended outcome while also conserving investigative resources. This would also create a documented inner-case management system for that individual so if there is a future issue that will need to be escalated, the board will have the ability to pursue criminal cases.

Action Item

Staff will compile a report of inquiries and emails that have come in and nature of what is being said regarding offering to practice before being licensed.

Action Item

Board Chair will draft a letter to Dept of Law regarding the interpretation of practicing without a license.

19. Committee Reports

A. Investigative Advisory Committee

1. Barrie Crimes- Regulation 12 AAC 36.210

Leonetti reported the committee met and reviewed the policy used by Colorado as possibly being a model for the Alaska board to look at. After discussion it was recommended to have a meeting with the Division regarding possible verbiage of the regulation and then bring that back to the board.

17. Special Group Updates (continued from above)

B. ADEC Regulations Working Group

The issue was with ADEC establishing a supervisory control roll for engineers over contractors in septic system installations. A meeting was held with the ADEC Commissioner, regulations were written and are currently out for public comment.

5. General Information (continued from above)

E. National Organization Updates

1. NCEES

NCEES definition of "responsible charge/progressive experience"- Presentation by Aaron Blaisdell, NCEES Western Zone Vice President

Model laws and model rules were provided to the board by Blaisdell. For many states in addition to NCEES, there is a definition that applies to each and every aspect of process. For example, in Washington state you have responsible charge when you are licensee, however when an intern or someone of subordinate nature you have responsible charge like actions. Blaisdell did a poll of Western Zone states and found that member boards are trying to reserve the term "responsible charge" for licensed individuals. For non-licensed individuals boards will

use terms such as “skills that are customarily done in responsible charge”, “managing projects”, “specialized knowledge and skill” or other terms from the definition of responsible charge.

Leonetti inquired how other states are addressing the issue of the use of term “responsible charge”. Blaisdell responded that most are just changing the term, issues arise when you have multiple sections of statute that try and define the term in different contexts.

Garness noted that there is a table contained within appendix A of the model rules that can be used as a template for the board to consider.

Blaisdell wanted on the record that anything he states here is his own opinion, not reflective of his position on the board of Washington State.

Action Item	<i>A working group was appointed to discuss the use of the term “responsible charge” with Garness, Leonetti and Maynard as members with a timeframe of one year.</i>
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20. Break

21. Committee Reports Continued

- C. Education Committee
 - 1. CRC Core Competencies

Maynard reported looking for organizations that would sponsor a Cold Regions Course geared towards a particular discipline. Maynard also approached UAA, had a Zoom call with professors from the mechanical department. They will take the idea of the course to their advisory council.

The board discussed creating a CRC Core Competencies course and putting out an RFP to develop a short course. It was suggested to ask the three current providers of the CRC course how much the cost would be to develop.

Action Item	<i>The education committee will continue to gather information for a possible RFP.</i>
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- B. Outreach Committee
 - 1. Newsletter

Newsletter is a work in progress.
 - 2. May 2025 Outreach Event

Nothing to report.

27. Read Applicants into the Record

Motion: Approved Applicants	<i>In a Motion made by Sterling Strait, seconded by Ed Leonetti and approved unanimously via roll call vote, it was:</i> <i>RESOLVED to APPROVE the following list of applicants for registration by comity and examination with the stipulation that the information in the applicants’ files will take precedence over the information in the minutes.</i>
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License #	First Name	Last Name	Type of License
232678	Patrick	Rider	Electrical Engineer
226612	Juan Francisco	Olguin-Juarez	Mechanical Engineer

Motion: Conditionally Approved Applicants	<i>In a Motion made by Sterling Strait, seconded by Ed Leonetti and approved unanimously via roll call vote, it was:</i> <i>RESOLVED to CONDITIONALLY APPROVE the following list of applicants for registration by comity and examination with the stipulation that the information in the applicants’ files will take precedence over the information in the minutes.</i>
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License #	First Name	Last Name	Type of License
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234065	Andy	Kreiter	Architect
234089	Jessica	Gatewood	Architect
234060	Aaron	Wheatall	Civil Engineer
232078	Dalan	Merriner	Civil Engineer
234062	Emily	Amato	Civil Engineer
120615	Erin	Clay	Civil Engineer
230778	Forrest	Williams	Civil Engineer
234344	Isabelle	Geddes	Civil Engineer
234006	Jackson	Waters	Civil Engineer
233915	Jacob	Hanni	Civil Engineer
232176	James	Matthews	Civil Engineer
232153	Jonathan	Horst	Civil Engineer
233838	Logan	Little	Civil Engineer
234257	Markus	Tolkkinen	Civil Engineer
233909	Matthew	Hebnes	Civil Engineer
233922	Nathan	Kaaihue	Civil Engineer
234199	Earl	Schwab	Control Systems Engineer
232226	Dakota	Walsh	Electrical Engineer
233921	Michael	Wise	Electrical Engineer
205985	Robert	Spiller	Electrical Engineer
233290	Sam	Berdahl	Electrical Engineer
233907	Aaron	Swank	Environmental Engineer
233233	Md Ibnul	Hasan	Environmental Engineer
234128	Paxson	Lowther	Environmental Engineer
233243	Rowan	Kraft	Environmental Engineer
232993	Srijan	Agganwal	Environmental Engineer
234362	Seth	Alexander	Fire Protection Engineer
233866	Nicholas	Svinicki	Land Surveyor
233283	Samuel	Horning	Land Surveyor
234251	Brendan	McCabe	Mechanical Engineer
234397	Robert	Kemper	Mechanical Engineer

26. Set Committee Dates

New chairs were set for the following committees:

- Guidance Manual Committee- Brad Rinckey
- Outreach Committee- Sterling Strait
- Planning and Implementation Committee- Colin Maynard
- Education Committee- John Barry

The following dates were set for committees:

- Legislative Liaison Committee: March 24, 2025, Noon
- Investigative Advisory Committee- April, TBD
- Other committee dates TBD

**Motion:
Emeritus Status to
Departing Board
Members**

*In a Motion made by Colin Maynard, seconded by Paul Baril and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to grant emeritus status to Jake Maxwell, Elizabeth Beckett Johnston and Randall Rozier and the relevant national organizations be notified.*

28. Upcoming Calendar

- A. February 28-March 1, 2025- NCARB Regions Summit- Philadelphia, PA
- B. May 15-17, 2025- NCEES Western Zone- Albuquerque, NM
- C. May 21-22, 2025- AELS Board Meeting, Anchorage, AK
- D. June 19-21, 2025- NCARB Annual Business Meeting- Scottsdale, AZ
- E. August 6-7, 2025- AELS Board Meeting, Anchorage or Fairbanks, AK TBD
- F. August 19-22, 2025- NCEES Annual Business Meeting- New Orleans, LA
- G. September 18-20, 2025-CLARB Annual Business Meeting- Lexington, KY

Motion:
Delegate for
NCARB Annual
Business Meeting

In a Motion made by Ed Leonetti, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to designate Paul Baril to attend the NCARB Annual Business Meeting on June 19-21, 2025.

Motion:
Delegates for
NCEES Annual
Business Meeting

In a Motion made by Ed Leonetti, seconded by Sterling Strait and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to designate Colin Maynard and up to two additional board members or if a space is available Kelly Johnson as appointed by the chair to attend the NCEES Annual Business Meeting on August 19-22, 2025.

Motion:
Delegate for
CLARB Annual
Business Meeting

In a Motion made by Paul Baril, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to designate Ed Leonetti to attend the CLARB Annual Business Meeting September 18-20, 2025.

22. Lunch Break

23. Committee Reports Continued

- D. Legislative Liaison Committee
 - 1. SB54 & 2. AELS Sunset Bill

The board discussed the bill draft of SB54, version I, sponsor substitute. Garness presented how a title act for Geologists works as a point of opposition to the current bill being a “title act with privileges”. Maynard presented the section summary for the bill, noting that version I includes feedback from the committee based on the sunset bill the board had approved previously. Maynard remarked that the title act with privileges as presented in the current and draft bill mimics a practice act for the people who are registered, however for those who are not registered may still perform the same work with the exception that they will have to go to an architect or interior designer to have documents sealed. A pure title act does not restrict certain practices for those who are not registered. Maynard questioned whether a pure title act would protect the public safety, where the proposed bill could.

Section 6 of bill did not remove the phrase “in writing” as requested by the board.

The EA Salary was not included as requested by the board.

Concern was expressed regarding the definition of the practice of interior design as presented in the bill and how it compares to how the statutes define other professions regulated by the board.

Baril suggested that the bill in terms of AELS is a title act with limited practicing privileges rather than permitting privileges, although this terminology is used by other jurisdictions with similar acts.

Beckett Johnston noted that a definition of practice is necessary as the bill provides a prohibition of practice.

Sara Chambers from the Division expressed concern over allowance of everyone being able to practice interior design regardless if registered or not, noting that normally it would be the legislature to define the difference between registered vs non-registered, in the current bill it is being left up the board.

Senator Claman presented his comments regarding the bill including extending the sunset of the AELS board and adding the regulation of registered interior designers. The Senator noted that the decision to have the board define the practice of interior design was due to their access to industry expertise. Other items included in the bill are a number of recommendations from the AELS board including adding specific seats to the board and pipelines. Senator Claman addressed concerns over section 5 of the bill, noting that the qualifying language states “for the purposes of this chapter” meaning the definition of interior design that the board would be adopting is as it applies within the AELS board as to registered interior designers.

Beckett Johnston inquired about the prohibition of practice included in the bill while the definition is not included and how this might impact enforcement.

Director Robb noted that other boards have the EA salary included in statute.

Sara Chambers suggested having the board’s attorneys with Department of Law look at some of the language in the bill in particular the term “practice of interior design” being used for both registered and non-registered interior designers and if the language may need to be modified to better suit the intent of the bill.

24. Break

23. Committee Reports Continued

D. Legislative Liaison Committee

1. SB54 & 2. AELS Sunset Bill (continued from above)

Garness requested to entertain a motion regarding moving the bill to Department of Law regarding definition of practice.

Motion:
Send SB54 to
Department of
Law for Review

In a Motion made by Ed Leonetti, it was moved to forward to the Department of Law the SB54 draft to evaluate the definition of a title within a practice act to give a recommendation to the board.

There was no second to the motion.

Garness and Baril suggested the board continue to work to find a sponsor for the sunset bill as approved by the board in their November meeting.
Strait expressed concern about the “de-exemption” of natural gas pipelines within the bill possibly causing significant impact to the business of oil and gas in Alaska. There will likely be a large opposition to this part of the bill.

Board Member Randall Rozier left the meeting at 3:27pm.

Motion:
SB54 Support

In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Colin Maynard it was moved that the board endorse the bill as presented in SB54, Version I, Sponsor Substitute, and asking staff to research "prohibition of practice" as presented in today's meeting (February 13, 2025) and bring that back to the Legislative Liaison Committee for further action.

Sterling Strait, seconded by Colin Maynard amended the motion to allow the Legislative Liaison Committee to transmit to Senator Claman the board's position that the bill needs to be refined to satisfy natural gas pipeline companies and the NTSB concerns. Amendment approved unanimously via roll call vote.

The main motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved via roll call vote:

RESOLVED as amended to endorse the bill as presented in SB54, Version I, Sponsor Substitute, and asking staff to research "prohibition of practice" as presented in today's meeting (February 13, 2025) and bring that back to the Legislative Liaison Committee for further action.

	<p><i>YES: Leonetti, Maynard, Strait, Beckett Johnston, Barry, Rinckey, Maxwell</i></p> <p><i>NO: Baril, Garness</i></p> <p><i>Absent: Rozier</i></p>
<p>3. Lapsed/Expired license No Discussion.</p>	

25. Review Action Item List

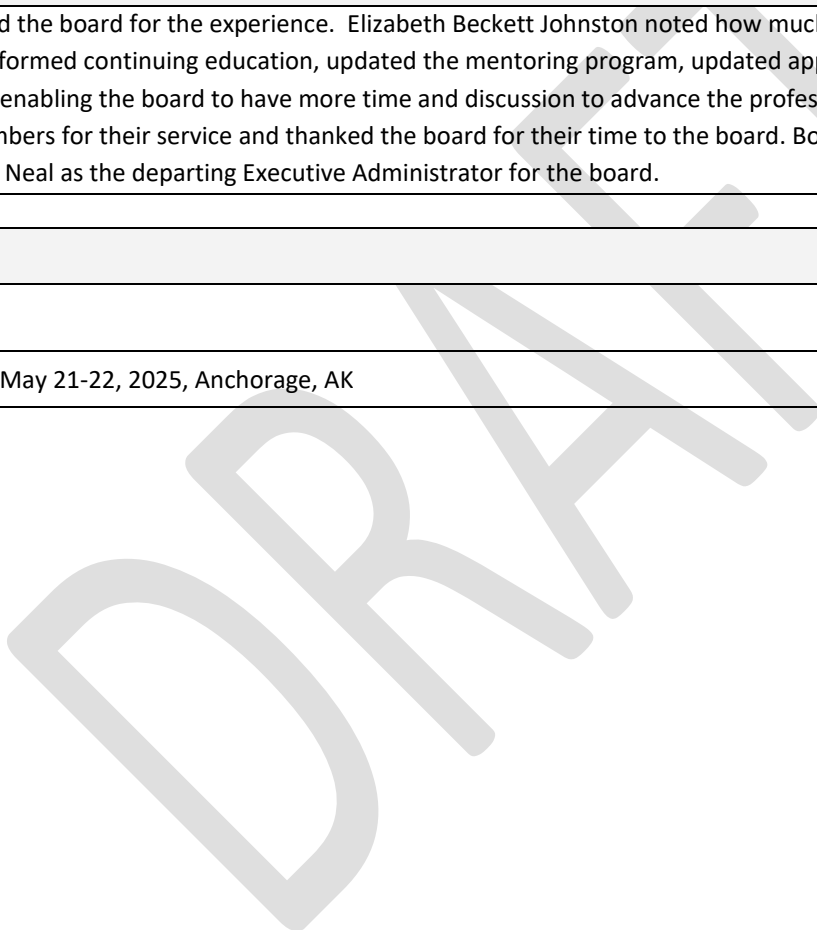
29. Board Member Comments

<p>Motion: Extend Meeting</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, seconded by Ed Leonetti and approved unanimously, it was:</i></p> <p><i>RESOLVED to extend the meeting agenda to 4:15pm.</i></p>
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Jake Maxwell thanked the board for the experience. Elizabeth Beckett Johnston noted how much the board has changed over her time of the board: reformed continuing education, updated the mentoring program, updated application processes from paper review to electronic, enabling the board to have more time and discussion to advance the professions. Sara Neal thanked the departing board members for their service and thanked the board for their time to the board. Board members expressed their appreciation for Sara Neal as the departing Executive Administrator for the board.

30. Adjourn

<p>Next Meeting:</p>	<p>May 21-22, 2025, Anchorage, AK</p>
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
 DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
**BOARD OF REGISTRATION ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS,
 AND LAND SURVEYORS**

CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD APRIL 9, 2025

**These are DRAFT minutes prepared by staff of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing.
 They have not been reviewed or approved by the Board.**

Date:	April 9, 2025
Time:	12pm- 1pm
Location:	Virtual Meeting via Zoom
Attending:	Jeff Garness, Ed Leonetti, Sterling Strait, Paul Baril, John Barry, Elizabeth Beckett Johnston, Colin Maynard, Brad Rinckey Board Staff: Joseph Bonnell, Kelly Johnson Division Staff: Sara Chambers, Sylvan Rob, Sara Neal Public: Raymond Jess Duenas, Nathan Kaaihue, Samuel Horning, Chris Miller, Barbara Cash, Mary Knopf, David Parish, Amy Orange-Posma, Jessica Cederberg, Jon Order, Ciaxia Wang, Sarena Hackenmiller
Absent:	Jake Maxwell, Randall Rozier

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Virtual Meeting Notice

2. Review/Amend/ Approve Agenda

Motion:	<i>In a Motion made by Sterling Strait, seconded by Colin Maynard it was moved to approve the agenda:</i>
Approve Consent	
Agenda	<i>Approved unanimously it was RESOLVED to approve the agenda.</i>

3. Legislative Liaison Committee Report

The board chair delegated conducting the remainder of the meeting to the vice-chair, Ed Leonetti.

Maynard gave the report on the committee meeting held on March 24, 2025. SB54 was the main point of discussion, three amendments have been made to the bill: Executive Administrator salary and adding recommended verbiage to the natural gas pipeline and onsite wastewater exemptions. Additional amendments are to be addressed at future hearings, including one related to other statutes that also mention architecture and engineering, but not landscape architecture, the amendment will correct this. The memo from Department of Law in response to the board’s inquiry from the February meeting was also discussed. Following the committee meeting, the memo was provided to Senator Claman’s office and is being addressed in the proposed amendment that will modify the definition of interior design and registered interior design.

Leonetti opened up discussion for any concerns on the Department of Law memo and associated proposed amendment.

Maynard feels the amendment resolves the concerns of the memo.

Baril expressed no concerns and had comments.

Garness is concerned with the task of defining interior and registered interior design and the amendment doesn't address this. Garness further expressed concern that the bill does not prohibit the practice of those not registered vs registered. Maynard was asked to reply, where it was noted that this was discussed in the committee meeting and there is overlap in practice, and the board will define what interior design is while a registered interior designer will be able to sign and stamp documents. Leonetti asked Baril regarding the concerns raised by Garness. Baril believes that it will be dealt with discussions the board will have to establish regulations. In specifics to language in the bill, Baril felt that it adds clarity.

Rinckey had no concerns.

Barry had no concerns.

Shepherd had no comment or concerns.

Strait commented that the amendment explicitly allows the interior designer to stamp documents for permitting purposes, which language does not exist statute for any of the other professions the board administers, instead this is covered by the early chapters which the IBC (International Building Code) has adopted by life and safety regulations. Strait did not have any direction or thoughts on how to improve it, but it is something the board will have to be concerned about in the future when making regulations. Maynard replied that the difference is due to the registered interior designers being governed by a title act instead of a practice act as the other professions.

<p>Motion: Endorse Amendments G.1 and G.5 of SB54</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Colin Maynard, seconded by Sterling Strait it was moved that the AELS board endorses amendments G.1 and G.5 for SB54.</i></p> <p><i>In discussion Maynard noted G.1 cleans up language in various sections while G.5 provides a clearer definition that it is believed architects and interior designers are in favor of.</i></p> <p><i>By roll call vote It was RESOLVED that the AELS board endorses amendments G.1 and G.5 for SB54.</i></p> <p><i>YES: Barry, Shephard, Rinckey, Maynard, Strait, Baril, Leonetti</i> <i>NO: Garness</i> <i>Absent: Maxwell, Rozier</i></p>
<p>Motion: To Define Interior Design in Statute</p>	<p><i>In a Motion made by Jeff Garness it was moved that the board would support defining interior design in statute.</i></p> <p><i>There was no second.</i></p>

4. Adjourn

<p>Next Meeting:</p>	<p>May 21-22, 2025, Anchorage, AK</p>
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May 1, 2025

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We wish you all the best as you celebrate this occasion. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about the licensing path.

Sincerely,

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NEW BOARD MEMBER WELCOME

SAMSON SHEPHERD

MECHANICAL ENGINEER

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS UPDATES

- A. NCEES
- B. NCARB
- C. CLARB

Message from the President

April 2025

Dear Member Board Members,

In April, the FY25 Board of Directors gathered at NCARB's office in Washington, DC, for our quarterly Board meeting. This was the first time the full Board of Directors has gathered at NCARB's current office space, providing opportunities for your volunteer leaders to engage with NCARB staff, who would not normally attend a Board of Directors meeting.

During our three-day meeting, the Board engaged on a variety of topics—including updates related to NCARB's Pathways to Practice initiative, collaboration with the International Code Council, and finalization of resolutions to be voted on as part of this year's Annual Business Meeting agenda.

Although the fiscal year is winding down, I hope your engagement is ramping up. In June, our membership will gather in Scottsdale, Arizona, for our Annual Business Meeting. As we prepare to elect new leadership and vote on several key resolutions, your feedback and insights are more important than ever. In addition to the discussion at the Annual Business Meeting, you'll have several opportunities to ask questions and share comments regarding this year's resolutions—we'll be holding two virtual resolution forums later this spring, and more information about those webinars will be shared with this year's final resolutions.

I encourage you to engage with your Board of Directors throughout the rest of this fiscal year—it's an honor to serve our members, and we look forward to hearing from you!

Best wishes,



Kenneth R. Van Tine, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP
FY25 President



NCARB's leadership convened for the April Board of Directors meeting at NCARB's office in Washington, DC.

BODbrief

April 2025

This publication is designed to provide updates on the actions and discussions of the NCARB Board of Directors following meetings. Please remember that the information provided here may be confidential and will be indicated as such when necessary.

Executive Summary

President Kenneth R. Van Tine convened the FY25 NCARB Board of Directors at NCARB's office in Washington, DC, on April 10-12, 2025. President Van Tine led the Board through a full agenda, which included a discussion on the five draft resolutions to be presented for membership consideration at the June Annual Business Meeting and an update on the organization's ongoing Pathways to Practice effort.

The Board engaged with leadership from the International Code Council (ICC), heard reports from several FY25 committee chairs, and explored opportunities to advance NCARB's position as a thought leader in the architectural and regulatory communities. In addition, the Board reviewed a draft of the FY26 budget and reviewed current legislative trends that may impact NCARB in the future.

The Board also heard reports from President Van Tine and CEO Michael Armstrong regarding recent activities since the January meeting and previewed the upcoming agenda for the Annual Business Meeting, which will be held June 19-21 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

NCARB Policies

The Board began the meeting by continuing its effort to regularly review Board policies and update them as necessary to ensure they align with current best practices. During the April meeting, the Board reviewed policies related to the allowance for the president and vice president. In addition, the Board reviewed potential nominations for candidates to serve on the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) Board of Directors and reviewed a recommended sanction for an NCARB Certificate holder from the Professional Conduct Committee (PCC).

Thought Leadership

NCARB's CEO Michael Armstrong and Chief Operating Officer Alison Teitelbaum facilitated a session on positioning NCARB as a thought leader within the regulatory community, following up on a discussion from the January Board of Directors meeting. During the April meeting, the Board reviewed several examples of organizations from other professions acting as thought leaders and explored where and how NCARB could demonstrate greater thought leadership in new ways.

Understanding the Nonprofit Landscape

Next, CEO Armstrong led the Board through a discussion regarding how recent and potential federal executive orders and/or legislation could impact NCARB's ongoing efforts. This included a review of the current status of 501(c) organizations, as well as the tax and budgetary implications of potential changes to NCARB's status as a 501(c)(6) organization. NCARB is keeping a close eye on trends related to tax exemption and is working with our legal and tax experts to ensure we continue to align with any evolving regulations.

Pathways to Practice

Chief Programs Officer Jared Zurn provided the Board with an update on the ongoing Pathways to Practice effort. During the session, the Board reviewed an updated potential licensure framework from the Licensure Process Research & Development Task Force, which has been refined based on feedback from NCARB's membership. The Board explored what a potential "minimum viable product for launch" might look like in the Pathways to Practice space, understanding that NCARB may continue to develop new licensure programs and continue to work with jurisdictions to navigate the regulatory landscape for years after an initial launch. CPO Zurn also provided the Board with an update on staff research related to potential vendors, costs, and viability of the future licensure options being considered. An update will be provided to the membership at the upcoming Annual Business Meeting.

In addition, Vice President, Marketing & Communications Andy McIntyre shared highlights from the "Pathways to Practice: Language That Works" focus groups held with membership during the Regional Summit. These focus groups explored member sentiment and preferences regarding specific terminology that could be used for future Pathways to Practice communications.

The Board discussed their own preferences regarding terminology, their thoughts on the Regional Summit focus group outcomes, and opportunities to provide members with more support and clarity regarding potential future licensure paths. The Board then reviewed other outcomes and feedback on the Member Board Executives (MBE) Workshop and Regional Summit, which was held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from February 27 – March 1.

Building Impact Report

The Board explored highlights from [RAND's newly released report](#) on the relationship between architectural academia and practice. The *Building Impact* report, which follows up on the 1996 *Building Community* report (also known as the "Boyer Report"), identifies several key findings related to the affordability, accessibility, and applicability of architectural education and its interface with practice. NCARB and the American Institute of Architects (AIA) jointly commissioned the report, with logistical support from the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA).

The Board discussed findings from the study that support NCARB's Pathways to Practice efforts and explored how the report might further inform NCARB's engagements in the realm of education.

Engagement With the International Code Council

On Thursday afternoon, the Board met with leadership from the International Code Council (ICC), the organization responsible for developing building code standards that are used worldwide. During this engagement, each organization provided an overview of its strategic direction. Then, NCARB and ICC explored potential opportunities to collaborate further in the future, including ways to strengthen architects' engagement with code adoption and the code development process. The organizations also discussed opportunities to develop code-related continuing education content for architects, as well as opportunities to address unlicensed practice.

Resolutions

On Friday morning, the Board participated in a training session on how to foster safe spaces within the volunteer community, before diving into FY25 resolutions. Secretary/Treasurer Sylvia Kwan led the Board through a review of five draft 2025 resolutions. The Board voted to move all five draft resolutions forward for membership consideration.

Resolution 2025-01: Mutual Recognition Agreement With the Regulatory Organizations of Architecture in Canada (ROAC)

This resolution would replace the existing Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) between NCARB and the Canadian Architectural Licensing Authorities (CALA), now ROAC. The amended MRA would eliminate post-licensure experience requirements as a qualification, remove citizenship requirements, and allow acceptance of pathways outside of the standard path to NCARB certification.

- The Board supports this resolution 15-0.

Resolution 2025-02: Mutual Recognition Agreement With the Colegio de Arquitectos de Costa Rica/ Colegio Federado de Ingenieros y Arquitectos de Costa Rica (CACR/CFIA)

This resolution would have the membership ratify an MRA developed between NCARB and Costa Rica's Colegio de Arquitectos de Costa Rica/Colegio Federado de Ingenieros y Arquitectos de Costa Rica (CACR/CFIA). The MRA recognizes the significant correlation of competency requirements at licensure between NCARB and CACR/CFIA and allows acceptance of pathways outside of the standard path to NCARB certification.

- The Board supports this resolution 15-0.

Resolution 2025-03: Mutual Recognition Agreement With the South African Council for the Architectural Profession (SACAP)

This resolution would have the membership ratify an MRA developed between NCARB and the South African Council for the Architectural Profession (SACAP). The MRA recognizes the significant correlation of competency requirements at licensure between NCARB and SACAP and allows acceptance of pathways outside of the standard path to NCARB certification.

- The Board supports this resolution 15-0.

[Resolution 2025-04: NCARB Certification Guidelines Amendment – International Terminology](#)

This resolution proposes a housekeeping update to the *NCARB Certification Guidelines* that would replace all instances of the word “foreign” with “international” as it relates to NCARB’s programs for architects licensed outside of the United States. This change reflects current best practices regarding terminology for international engagement. This resolution would not change any requirements for certification.

- The Board supports this resolution 15-0.

[Resolution 2025-05: NCARB Certification Guidelines Amendment – Education Alternative Eligibility](#)

This resolution would adjust the eligibility requirements for the Education Alternative to Certification outlined in the *NCARB Certification Guidelines* by eliminating the required three-year delay between initial licensure and eligibility to apply for certification through this pathway. This aligns with ongoing efforts to remove unnecessary time-bound restrictions in NCARB programs that are not tied to demonstrating competency. Education Alternative applicants would still be required to demonstrate learning through experience by completing either the Two Times AXP or Certificate Portfolio pathways.

- The Board supports this resolution 15-0.

The final resolutions will be released to membership in late April or early May.

[IPAL Program Updates](#)

The Board also reviewed several proposed updates to the Integrated Path to Architectural Licensure (IPAL) initiative. These updates would ensure the program is accessible to a wider pool of students by addressing common impediments faced by students participating in their school’s IPAL option. The Board approved the proposed updates, which will be announced later this spring.

[FY25 Annual Business Meeting](#)

The Board received a preview of the FY25 Annual Business Meeting, occurring in Scottsdale, Arizona, from June 19-21. CEO Armstrong walked the Board through the event agenda. This included a detailed overview of the plenary sessions and workshop tracks. This year, there will be a choice of four main workshops, provided over three sessions on Friday and Saturday. Special interest group sessions will also be available for public members and FY26 committee chairs. Plenary sessions will be live-streamed through Zoom for virtual attendees to observe.

The Board also conducted an in-depth review of election procedures in preparation for the elections that will occur on Saturday, June 21, during the Annual Business Meeting.

[Committee Reports](#)

This fiscal year, the Board has engaged with several committee chairs at each Board meeting in order to better understand committees’ progress on their charges and any issues that require broader leadership awareness. During the April meeting, the Board engaged with the chairs of the DEI Committee, MBE Committee, Education Committee, Leadership Round Table, and Futures Collaborative. Each committee chair gave a brief update on their efforts so far this fiscal year, after which the Board posed any follow-up questions or comments.

Fiduciary Responsibilities

On Saturday, Secretary/Treasurer Kwan provided updates on the current financial state of the Council's funds and financial performance relative to the FY25 budget. CEO Armstrong then led the Board through a review of the draft FY26 budget and gathered Board feedback. The draft budget aims to balance income and expenditures, recognizing inflationary cost increases impacting the Council's resources. The final FY26 budget will be adopted by the newly elected FY26 Board of Directors following the June Annual Business Meeting.

Leadership Reports

President Van Tine provided the Board with an update on his activities since January, including a recap of engagements at the Member Board Executives Workshop and Regional Summit. President Van Tine also provided updates from his engagements with leadership from the Interorganizational Council on Regulation (ICOR) and the Licensure Advisory Forum, as well as key takeaways from his engagements with students at the seven Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) that offer NAAB-accredited architecture programs.

CEO Armstrong also fielded questions on topics contained in his view-ahead CEO Update video, including recent exam updates, an ongoing webinar series in collaboration with the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS), and an update on the NCARB Leadership Institute.

2025 CLARB Bylaws Resolutions

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Statement of Support from the CLARB Board of Directors for Proposed Bylaws Resolutions

The CLARB Board of Directors fully supports the proposed amendments to the CLARB Bylaws and encourages members to consider these changes to enhance governance effectiveness, ensure operational flexibility, and align with best practices in nonprofit governance.

Through a comprehensive review process, a dedicated work group made up of CLARB members assessed the impact of previous bylaw modifications and identified opportunities to further strengthen CLARB's governance structure and processes. The proposed amendments address key areas essential to CLARB's continued growth and adaptability, including:

- **Resolution 1: Modification of Director-at-Large Terms of Service**
Extending the initial term for Directors-at-Large from two to three years allows board members to make more meaningful contributions and fosters greater continuity in governance leadership.
- **Resolution 2: Refinements to Leadership Advisory Council (LAC) Eligibility and Charges**
Refining eligibility criteria and clarifying the LAC's focus ensures a broader and more diverse range of candidates while emphasizing outcomes over procedural mandates.
- **Resolution 3: Elimination of Regional Structure and Mandatory Regional Meetings**
Removing the outdated regional structure and related mandatory meetings allows for more flexible, inclusive engagement across jurisdictions, maintains regular engagement opportunities among members and better accommodates CLARB's expanding global reach.
- **Resolution 4: Elimination of Treasurer Position, Expanding the Finance Committee, and Transitioning the Role of Secretary to the Chief Executive Officer**
Consolidating financial oversight under the President-Elect and expanding the Finance Committee by increasing the number of Directors-at-Large strengthens financial leadership and broadens board engagement. Transitioning the secretarial responsibilities of the organization currently held by the Treasurer to the Chief Executive Officer to align the bylaws with CLARB's current practice.
- **Resolution 5: Removal of Contested Elections for Officers**
Streamlining the officer selection process through Leadership Advisory Council

recommendations eliminates barriers to leadership participation, aligns with best practices and maintains membership oversight in the process.

- **Resolution 6: General Updates and Clean-up of CLARB's Bylaws**

Aligning CLARB's bylaws with District of Columbia law while modernizing language for greater flexibility and efficiency. Key changes include broadening language for programs and services, decoupling elections from the annual meeting for better accessibility, removing unnecessary references to Robert's Rules, and streamlining Exam Committee qualifications to align with policy. These updates ensure CLARB's bylaws remain clear, adaptable, and responsive to the organization's evolving needs.

- **Resolution 7: Reduction of Threshold for Amending Bylaws**

Lowering the amendment threshold from three-fourths to two-thirds more closely aligns with best practices in nonprofit governance, while ensuring broad membership support for future changes.

These bylaw amendments are a testament to CLARB's commitment to continuous improvement, fostering leadership excellence, and maintaining an agile organization capable of serving its members effectively. We appreciate the engagement and input of our members throughout this process and believe these updates will position CLARB for continued success in the future.

The CLARB Board of Directors urges all members to carefully review these proposed amendments at their upcoming board meetings and come prepared to support these enhancements at our virtual membership meeting in August.

The CLARB Board of Directors

Resolution 1: Modification of Director-at-Large Terms of Service

Submitted to: The CLARB Membership

Submitted by: The CLARB Board of Directors

Whereas the CLARB Membership adopted changes to CLARB’s bylaws in 2019 to provide greater flexibility in governance structure and processes, ensuring effective leadership for the future; and

Whereas the CLARB Board of Directors established a work group to assess the effectiveness of these changes and evaluate CLARB’s governance structure and processes against best practices in nonprofit governance; and

Whereas the work group assessed the current terms for members of the CLARB Board of Directors and evaluated it against the leadership needs of the organization; and

Whereas the work group identified that the current two-year Director-at-Large term, with an option for a second two-year term, requires directors to apply for reappointment after their first year—just as they are beginning to contribute fully; and

Whereas the work group recommends adjusting Director-at-Large terms to a three-year first term with a two-year second term to enhance continuity and increase meaningful contributions to Board discussions; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves the amendment to Article VII, Section 6 of the bylaws, as shown in the attached, red-lined version, and submits this amendment to the membership for approval in accordance with Article XI of the bylaws.

Be it further resolved that the approved amendments be published and submitted to the members for a vote, in accordance with Article VI, Section 5 of the bylaws.

Resolution 2: Refinements of Leadership Advisory Council (LAC) Eligibility and Charges

Submitted to: The CLARB Membership

Submitted by: The CLARB Board of Directors

Whereas the CLARB Membership adopted changes to CLARB's bylaws in 2019 to provide greater flexibility in governance structure and processes, ensuring effective leadership for the future; and

Whereas the CLARB Board of Directors established a work group to assess the effectiveness of these changes and evaluate CLARB's governance structure and processes against best practices in nonprofit governance; and

Whereas the work group identified that current eligibility requirements for the LAC are vague and restrictive, limiting the pool of qualified candidates; and

Whereas the work group recommends refining LAC eligibility criteria to ensure broader inclusion while maintaining essential connections to CLARB; and

Whereas the work group further recommends clarifying the LAC's role by focusing on expected outcomes of their work rather than procedural details.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves the amendment to Article IX, Section 5(D) of the bylaws, as shown in the attached, red-lined version, and submits this amendment to the membership for approval in accordance with Article XI of the bylaws.

Be it further resolved that the approved amendments be published and submitted to the members for a vote, in accordance with Article VI, Section 5 of the bylaws.

Resolution 3: Elimination of Regional Structure and Mandatory Regional Meetings

Submitted to: The CLARB Membership

Submitted by: The CLARB Board of Directors

Whereas the CLARB Membership adopted changes to CLARB's bylaws in 2019 to provide greater flexibility in governance structure and processes, ensuring effective leadership for the future; and

Whereas the CLARB Board of Directors established a work group to assess the effectiveness of these changes and evaluate CLARB's governance structure and processes against best practices in nonprofit governance; and

Whereas the work group assessed the continued relevance of the regional structure given changes in technology and member engagement; and

Whereas the work group determined that the traditional regional structure has become outdated, no longer effectively facilitating communication among jurisdictions, and does not accommodate increasing global interest in CLARB's work; and

Whereas the work group recommends eliminating the regional structure from the bylaws to enable more inclusive engagement across jurisdictions; and

Whereas the work group further recommends requiring at least one regular membership meeting annually, in addition to the CLARB Annual Meeting, while removing the mandate for regional meetings, which have become less relevant.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves the amendment to Article V, Section 3 and Article VI, Section 2 of the bylaws, as shown in the attached, red-lined version, and submits this amendment to the membership for approval in accordance with Article XI of the bylaws.

Be it further resolved that the approved amendments be published and submitted to the members for a vote, in accordance with Article VI, Section 5 of the bylaws.

Resolution 4: Elimination of Treasurer Position, Expanding the Finance Committee, and Transitioning Role of Secretary to the Chief Executive Officer

Submitted to: The CLARB Membership

Submitted by: The CLARB Board of Directors

Whereas the CLARB Membership adopted changes to CLARB's bylaws in 2019 to provide greater flexibility in governance structure and processes, ensuring effective leadership for the future; and

Whereas the CLARB Board of Directors established a work group to assess the effectiveness of these changes and evaluate CLARB's governance structure and processes against best practices in nonprofit governance; and

Whereas the work group evaluated opportunities to streamline board operations, optimize board service and financial oversight; and

Whereas the work group determined that the Treasurer role concentrates financial leadership responsibilities, limiting opportunities for broader board involvement in financial oversight; and

Whereas the work group recommends eliminating the Treasurer position, reassigning the duties of the Treasurer to the President-Elect, and expanding the Finance Committee to include additional Directors-at-Large.

Whereas the work group recommends changing the number of director-at-large positions from between six and eight positions to between seven and nine positions for increased continuity and shared responsibility.

Whereas the work group also recommends transitioning the secretarial responsibilities of the organization to the Chief Executive Officer; and

Whereas, the Chief Executive Officer would serve as Secretary, ex officio, as a non-voting director on the Board of Directors, and such changes would align the bylaws with CLARB's current practices.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves the amendment to Article VII, Sections 2, 3, 6(D), 7, 9(A), 10, and 11, Article VIII, Section 2, and Article IX, Section 5(A)-(B)

of the bylaws, as shown in the attached, red-lined version, and submits this amendment to the membership for approval in accordance with Article XI of the bylaws.

Be it further resolved that the approved amendments be published and submitted to the members for a vote, in accordance with Article VI, Section 5 of the bylaws.

Resolution 5: Removal of Contested Elections for Officers

Submitted to: The CLARB Membership

Submitted by: The CLARB Board of Directors

Whereas the CLARB Membership adopted changes to CLARB's bylaws in 2019 to provide greater flexibility in governance structure and processes, ensuring effective leadership for the future; and

Whereas the CLARB Board of Directors established a work group to assess the effectiveness of these changes and evaluate CLARB's governance structure and processes against best practices in nonprofit governance; and

Whereas the work group examined the effectiveness of the officer election process and explored opportunities for continued refinement; and

Whereas the work group found that contested elections for officer positions discourage potential candidates due to concerns over public loss, emphasizes a political process, and does not significantly improve leadership selection; and

Whereas the work group recommends that the Leadership Advisory Council (LAC) vet and recommends a single candidate for each officer position, subject to final approval by the membership.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves the amendment to Article VII, Sections 4 and 5(B)-(C) of the bylaws, as shown in the attached, red-lined version, and submits this amendment to the membership for approval in accordance with Article XI of the bylaws.

Be it further resolved that the approved amendments be published and submitted to the members for a vote, in accordance with Article VI, Section 5 of the bylaws.

Resolution 6: General Updates and Clean-up of CLARB's Bylaws

Submitted to: The CLARB Membership

Submitted by: The CLARB Board of Directors

Whereas the CLARB Membership adopted changes to CLARB's bylaws in 2019 to provide greater flexibility in governance structure and processes, ensuring effective leadership for the future; and

Whereas the CLARB Board of Directors established a work group to assess the effectiveness of these changes and evaluate CLARB's governance structure and processes against best practices in nonprofit governance; and

Whereas additional opportunities were identified for general updates and clean up existing details in the bylaws that should be contained in policy; and

Whereas CLARB is incorporated in the District of Columbia and revisions were identified by legal counsel to ensure CLARB is in compliance with these laws; and

Whereas it is recommended that programs and services offered by CLARB be described in terms of their intended outcomes rather than being explicitly named in the bylaws; and

Whereas it is recommended to remove requirements to comply with "Robert's Rules of Order" to allow the presiding officer to determine the appropriate order of business based on the specific needs of the organization at the time, which order of business may be informed by reference to "Robert's Rules of Order" at CLARB's discretion; and

Whereas it is recommended to decouple elections from the CLARB Annual Meeting to allow greater flexibility and accessibility for all members and allows for more time between the elections and the start of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas it is further recommended that the Exam Committee's qualifications be established in policy versus being contained within the bylaws.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves the amendment to Article V, Section 4(A)-(E) (Programs and Services), Article III and Article VI, Section 5 (Rules of Order), and Article V, Section 3 and Article VII, Sections 5 (Decoupling Elections) and 7 (Director Removal), Article IX, Section 5(C) (Exam Committee) of the bylaws, as shown in the attached red-lined version, and submits this amendment to the membership for approval in accordance with Article XI of the bylaws.

Be it further resolved that the approved amendments be published and submitted to the members for a vote, in accordance with Article VI, Section 5 of the bylaws.

Resolution 7: Reduction of Threshold for Amending Bylaws

Submitted to: The CLARB Membership

Submitted by: The CLARB Board of Directors

Whereas the CLARB Membership adopted changes to CLARB's bylaws in 2019 to provide greater flexibility in governance structure and processes, ensuring effective leadership for the future; and

Whereas the CLARB Board of Directors established a work group to assess the effectiveness of these changes and evaluate CLARB's governance structure and processes against best practices in nonprofit governance; and

Whereas the work group considered opportunities to align CLARB's bylaws with governance best practices as well as evaluated the threshold for amending bylaws of other related organizations; and

Whereas the work group recommends lowering the threshold for amending the bylaws from three-fourths (3/4) to two-thirds (2/3) of member boards voting at an annual or special meeting to reflect best practices while ensuring sufficient member engagement in Council business.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors approves the amendment to Article X of the bylaws, as shown in the attached, red-lined version, and submits this amendment to the membership for approval in accordance with Article XI of the bylaws.

Be it further resolved that the approved amendments be published and submitted to the members for a vote, in accordance with Article VI, Section 5 of the bylaws.

STRATEGIC PLAN INTRODUCTION

JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 31, 2026

AELS Board's Mission is to protect the public health, safety, and welfare through regulation of the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, and landscape architecture by...

OBJECTIVE 1.

...ensuring that those entering these professions in this state meet minimum standards of competency, and maintain such standards during their practice; and

STRATEGIES

a. Support license mobility by aligning with model law, including updates to statutes, regulations, policies.



b. Prepare university students for licensure

- Encourage licensing preparedness at UA (and other) engineering and land surveying/geomatics programs.
- Encourage Alaska resident architecture and landscape architecture students to become licensed in Alaska.



c. Maintain an effective outreach program

- Clarify the path to licensure for each discipline.
- Share outreach program with license holders, licensure candidates, legislators, allied professions.



d. Provide Administrative Support

- Assist AELS staff with correspondence, reports, travel requests, FAQs for regulation projects, etc.
- Collaborate with staff to identify board training needs and opportunities.



PLANNED ACTIONS 3.1.2024 – 2.28.2025

1. Review experience requirements to sitting for the PE, PS, and AKLS exams (decoupling)
2. Review proposed regulation changes for consistency with relevant NCARB, NCEES, and CLARB standards.
3. Support Board members' participation in national organization committees and leadership.
4. Develop core competencies for Cold Regions Design Course

1. Send congratulatory letter to UA engineering and land surveying graduates.
2. Identify Alaska resident architecture and landscape architecture graduates and send congratulatory letters.

1. Develop an annual Outreach Plan in conjunction with the Board's annual report.

1. Promptly respond to administrative requests for assistance from candidates and registrants.
2. Develop a template for annual Committee reports.
3. Assist in writing the Annual Report/Travel Plan.

AELS Board's Mission is to protect the public health, safety, and welfare through regulation of the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, and landscape architecture by...

STRATEGIES

- a. Protect public HSW through effective statutes & regulations**
- Analyze/update regulations to simplify and maintain Education, Experience, Examination standards.
 - Enforce regulations with prompt, thorough investigations.



PLANNED ACTIONS 3.1.2024 – 2.29.2025

1. Improve investigation review, processes and procedures.
2. Review and update bylaws.
3. Work with ADEC to improve regulations and policies that overlap with AELS.
4. Work with DOT to address 36.990 (44)(F)

- b. Collaborate with design professionals & allied professions**
- Listen to concerns; address through regulations, policies.
 - Interact with professional organizations on HSW matters.
 - Use committee and work groups to engage licensees.
 - Provide ongoing review/update to Guidance Manual.



1. Explore adding the discipline of architectural engineering.
2. Incorporate license holder concerns, ideas and issues into Outreach Plan.
3. Work with ID working Group and others regarding Interior Design Registration.
4. Work with professional societies to make registrants aware of new CE requirements.

- c. Maintaining Competency through Continuing Education**
- Monitor new CE regulations and reporting system to identify needed improvements.



1. Adjust new CE forms as needed.
2. Conduct CE audit training for Board members.
3. Complete the 2024 CE audits.

OBJECTIVE 2.

...enforcing the licensure and competency requirements in a fair and uniform manner.

Summary of Actions

3.1.2024 – 2.28.2025

- Maintain effective Board committees & working groups (including annual review of Strategic Plan Actions)
- Review and update By-Laws
- Board training – department/infrastructure
- Continually check in with the Strategic Plan - Don't add items to the workload if they are not consistent with adopted plan (unless issue is essential!).
- Continue reviewing priorities at the end of each meeting –
 - Priority 1: Task needs to be completed w/in 30 days
 - Priority 2: Task needs to be completed before next board meeting (3 months)
 - Priority 3: Task needs to be completed within 6-12 months.



MORNING BREAK

DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING UPDATES

- A. QUARTERLY DIVISION REPORT
- B. HB158/SB145- PROFESSIONAL LICENSING,
TEMPORARY PERMITS PRESENTATION

Department of Commerce Community, and Economic Development
Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

Summary of All Professional Licensing
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures

Board of Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors	FY 18			FY 19			Biennium			FY 20			FY 21			Biennium			FY 22			FY 23			Biennium			FY 24		FY 25 1st -3rd QTR	
Revenue																															
Revenue from License Fees	\$	909,305	\$	161,305	\$	1,070,610	\$	932,985	\$	146,310	\$	1,079,295	\$	957,475	\$	153,720	\$	1,111,195	\$	971,065	\$	134,655	\$	975,958	\$	136,924					
General Fund Received								\$	-				\$	17,581	\$	4,700		22,281	\$	466	\$	-	\$	4,427	\$	2,269					
Allowable Third Party Reimbursements		13,692		10,892		24,584		4,143		-		4,143		1,375		6,500		7,875													
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	922,997	\$	172,197	\$	1,095,194	\$	937,128	\$	146,310	\$	1,083,438	\$	976,431	\$	164,920	\$	1,141,351	\$	975,958	\$	136,924									
Expenditures																															
Non Investigation Expenditures																															
1000 - Personal Services		179,399		201,499		380,898		173,287		159,806		333,093		172,213		223,949		396,162		223,229		204,880		280,820		234,160					
2000 - Travel		29,385		26,313		55,698		15,812		2,110		17,922		15,391		22,087		37,478		22,726		3,901									
3000 - Services		45,487		59,467		104,954		35,084		43,162		78,246		41,295		38,332		79,627		34,834		25,379									
4000 - Commodities		499		27		526		30		-		30		-		1,110		1,110		31		-									
5000 - Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-									
Total Non-Investigation Expenditures		254,770		287,306		542,076		224,213		205,078		429,291		228,899		285,477		514,377		280,820		234,160									
Investigation Expenditures																															
1000-Personal Services		110,690		121,182		231,872		71,024		75,160		146,184		55,524		60,114		115,638		55,008		46,523									
2000 - Travel		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		425		425		-		385									
3023 - Expert Witness		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		1,100									
3088 - Inter-Agency Legal		-		-		-		-		1,996		1,996		85		-		85		1,381		-									
3094 - Inter-Agency Hearing/Mediation		58		-		58		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-									
3000 - Services other		-		670		670		208		429		637		15		51		66		38		-									
4000 - Commodities		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-									
Total Investigation Expenditures		110,748		121,852		232,600		71,232		77,585		148,817		55,624		60,590		116,214		56,427		48,008									
Total Direct Expenditures		365,518		409,158		774,676		295,445		282,663		578,108		284,523		346,067		630,591		337,247		282,168									
Indirect Expenditures																															
Internal Administrative Costs		-		176,749		176,749		187,122		160,058		347,180		207,091		199,257		406,348		197,312		147,984									
Departmental Costs		-		96,635		96,635		66,632		61,722		128,354		68,456		67,003		135,459		66,203		49,652									
Statewide Costs		-		32,978		32,978		32,186		32,250		64,436		28,626		30,893		59,519		26,930		20,198									
Total Indirect Expenditures		-		306,362		306,362		285,940		254,030		539,970		304,173		297,153		601,326		290,445		217,834									
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	365,518	\$	715,520	\$	1,081,038	\$	581,385	\$	536,693	\$	1,118,078	\$	588,696	\$	643,220	\$	1,231,917	\$	627,692	\$	500,002									
Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)																															
Beginning Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)	\$	859,414	\$	1,416,893	\$	873,570	\$	1,229,313	\$	838,930	\$	1,226,665	\$	748,365	\$	1,096,631															
Annual Increase/(Decrease)		557,479		(543,323)		355,743		(390,383)		387,735		(478,300)		348,266		(363,078)															
Ending Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)	\$	1,416,893		873,570	\$	1,229,313	\$	838,930	\$	1,226,665	\$	748,365	\$	1,096,631	\$	733,553															
Statistical Information																															
Number of Licenses for Indirect calculation		8,152		7,331		7,488		7,386		8,122		7,763		7,803																	
Additional information:																															
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General fund dollars were received in FY21-FY24 to offset increases in personal services and help prevent programs from going into deficit or increase fees. • Most recent fee change: New fee added FY20 • Annual license fee analysis will include consideration of other factors such as board and licensee input, potential investigation load, court cases, multiple license and fee types under one program, and program changes per AS 08.01.065. 																															

Appropriation Name (Ex)	(Multiple Items)
Sub Unit	(Multiple Items)
PL Task Code	AEL1

Sum of Budgetary Expenditures Object Name (Ex)	Object Type Name (Ex)			Grand Total
	1000 - Personal Services	2000 - Travel	3000 - Services	
1011 - Regular Compensation	129,769.31			129,769.31
1014 - Overtime	16.06			16.06
1021 - Allowances to Employees	324.00			324.00
1023 - Leave Taken	21,681.47			21,681.47
1028 - Alaska Supplemental Benefit	9,291.78			9,291.78
1029 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Benefits	1,358.38			1,358.38
1030 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Contribution	7,670.86			7,670.86
1034 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Cont Health Reim	4,845.13			4,845.13
1035 - Public Employee's Retirement Sys Defined Cont Retiree Medical	1,214.96			1,214.96
1037 - Public Employee's Retirement Sys Defined Benefit Unfnd Liab	25,446.52			25,446.52
1039 - Unemployment Insurance	99.61			99.61
1040 - Group Health Insurance	40,776.68			40,776.68
1041 - Basic Life and Travel	6.82			6.82
1042 - Worker's Compensation Insurance	843.07			843.07
1047 - Leave Cash In Employer Charge	3,498.35			3,498.35
1048 - Terminal Leave Employer Charge	2,300.97			2,300.97
1053 - Medicare Tax	2,132.00			2,132.00
1077 - ASEA Legal Trust	104.30			104.30
1079 - ASEA Injury Leave Usage	13.46			13.46
1080 - SU Legal Trst	8.98			8.98
2000 - In-State Employee Airfare			721.11	721.11
2001 - In-State Employee Surface Transportation			27.40	27.40
2002 - In-State Employee Lodging			687.00	687.00
2003 - In-State Employee Meals and Incidentals			240.00	240.00
2005 - In-State Non-Employee Airfare			445.81	445.81
2006 - In-State Non-Employee Surface Transportation			31.81	31.81
2007 - In-State Non-Employee Lodging			229.00	229.00
2008 - In-State Non-Employee Meals and Incidentals			240.00	240.00
2009 - In-State Non-Employee Taxable Per Diem			336.00	336.00
2010 - In-State Non-Employee Non-Taxable Reimbursement			40.00	40.00
2013 - Out-State Employee Surface Transportation			102.73	102.73
2015 - Out-State Employee Meals and Incidentals			282.14	282.14
2020 - Out-State Non-Employee Meals and Incidentals			503.50	503.50
2022 - Out-State Non-Employee Non-Taxable Reimbursement			1,064.88	1,064.88
2970 - Travel Cost Transfer			(665.11)	(665.11)
3001 - Test Monitor/Proctor			3,000.00	3,000.00
3002 - Memberships			20,995.00	20,995.00
3023 - Expert Witness			1,100.00	1,100.00
3035 - Long Distance			13.19	13.19
3036 - Local/Equipment Charges			1.40	1.40
3044 - Courier			68.38	68.38
3085 - Inter-Agency Mail			61.20	61.20
3088 - Inter-Agency Legal			1,240.31	1,240.31
Grand Total	251,402.71	4,286.27	26,479.48	282,168.46

HOUSE BILL NO. 158

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 3/26/25

Referred: House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Labor and Commerce

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to professional licensing; relating to temporary licenses for certain**
2 **professions; and providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 * **Section 1.** AS 08.01 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 08.01.061. Temporary license.** (a) The department may issue a
6 temporary license to practice an occupation in AS 08.01.010 if

7 (1) the applicant

8 (A) is licensed or credentialed to practice the occupation in
9 another state or territory of the United States that

10 (i) has requirements for a license to practice the
11 occupation that are substantially equivalent to or greater than the
12 requirements listed in the applicable chapter of this title; and

13 (ii) authorizes a scope of practice substantially
14 equivalent to the scope of practice of the corresponding license in this

1 state; or

2 (B) does not hold a license to practice that occupation in
3 another jurisdiction but meets the qualifications and requirements for a license
4 under the applicable chapter of this title through military education, training,
5 and service under AS 08.01.064;

6 (2) at the time of application, the applicant is not subject to
7 disciplinary action related to the occupation in another jurisdiction or the subject of an
8 ongoing review or disciplinary proceeding by the licensing authority in that
9 jurisdiction;

10 (3) in the 10 years preceding the submission of an application, the
11 applicant has not committed an act in another jurisdiction that would constitute
12 grounds for the denial or revocation of a license, certificate, or permit to practice that
13 occupation at the time the act was committed; and

14 (4) the applicable fees are paid.

15 (b) If the department or applicable board requires that an applicant for a
16 professional license submit information related to a criminal history record check,
17 those requirements also apply to an applicant for a temporary license. The department
18 may grant a temporary license before obtaining the resulting report.

19 (c) If the department finds that a temporary license was secured through
20 deceit, fraud, or intentional misrepresentation, the department may take disciplinary
21 action against the temporary license, including revoking the temporary license.

22 (d) A temporary license is valid for up to 180 days as determined by the
23 department. For each temporary license issued to an applicant, the applicant may
24 apply for one 180-day extension, which will be approved at the department's
25 discretion.

26 (e) Except as provided in (f) of this section, a temporary license for an
27 occupation listed in AS 08.01.010 satisfies the requirements to practice that
28 occupation.

29 (f) This section does not apply to an occupation regulated under AS 08.54 or
30 AS 08.62.

31 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.01.062 is amended to read:

1 **Sec. 08.01.062. Courtesy licenses.** (a) A board established under this title
 2 [AND THE DEPARTMENT, WITH RESPECT TO AN OCCUPATION THAT IT
 3 REGULATES UNDER THIS TITLE,] may by regulation establish criteria for issuing
 4 a [TEMPORARY] courtesy license to nonresidents who enter the state so that, on a
 5 temporary basis, they may practice the occupation regulated by the board **for a**
 6 **limited purpose. A courtesy license may not authorize a licensee to engage in the**
 7 **general practice of the related occupation** [OR THE DEPARTMENT].

8 (b) The regulations adopted under (a) of this section may include limitations
 9 relating to the

10 (1) duration of the license's validity;

11 (2) scope of practice allowed under the license; and

12 (3) other matters considered important by the board [OR THE
 13 DEPARTMENT].

14 * **Sec. 3.** AS 08.01.063 is repealed and reenacted to read:

15 **Sec. 08.01.063. Portability of professional licenses for servicemembers and**
 16 **their spouses.** (a) Except as provided in (e) of this section and 50 U.S.C. 4025a, the
 17 department shall issue a license to practice an occupation in AS 08.01.010 that has an
 18 equivalent scope of practice as a certificate or license held by a servicemember or
 19 spouse of a servicemember if the servicemember or spouse relocates residence to the
 20 state in accordance with military orders, applies in a manner prescribed by the
 21 department, and meets the requirements of this section. An application under this
 22 section must include

23 (1) evidence satisfactory to the department that the applicant

24 (A) has received military orders, or is the spouse of a
 25 servicemember who has received military orders, for military service in the
 26 state;

27 (B) holds a license or certificate issued by the licensing
 28 authority of another state that

29 (i) is in good standing with the licensing authority;

30 (ii) has not been revoked or subject to discipline;

31 (iii) does not have an investigation relating to

1 unprofessional conduct pending in any state relating to it; and

2 (iv) has not been voluntarily surrendered while under
3 investigation for unprofessional conduct in any state; and

4 (C) is in good standing with the licensing authority of any state
5 that has issued the applicant a license or certificate.

6 (2) a notarized affidavit affirming, under penalty of law, that

7 (A) the applicant is the person described and identified in the
8 application;

9 (B) all statements made in the application are true and correct;

10 (C) the applicant has read and understands the requirements to
11 receive a license and the scope of practice of that license type;

12 (D) the applicant will comply with the requirements to practice
13 under the license, including requirements related to discipline and fulfillment
14 of continuing education; and

15 (E) the applicant is in good standing with the licensing
16 authority of

17 (i) the jurisdiction that issued the applicant's existing
18 license or certificate; and

19 (ii) any other jurisdiction of a state, district, or territory
20 of the United States that has issued the applicant a license or certificate;

21 (3) if the applicant is the spouse of a military servicemember, a copy of
22 the marriage certificate; and

23 (4) payment of any applicable fees.

24 (b) If an applicant meets the requirements of (a) of this section, the department
25 shall issue a license to the applicant within 30 days after receipt of the application. The
26 department may extend the 30-day period only for the purpose of completing a
27 criminal history record check under (d) of this section. If the department cannot issue
28 the license within 30 days, the department may issue to the applicant a temporary
29 license to practice the profession while the criminal history record check is pending.

30 (c) Notwithstanding (d) of this section, a license issued under this section is
31 subject to the applicable department or board requirements for that license and for the

1 practice of the related profession, including renewal dates established under
2 AS 08.01.100.

3 (d) If the department or applicable board requires that an applicant for a
4 professional license submit information related to a criminal history record check, the
5 department may require an applicant under this section to meet the same requirements.

6 (e) This section does not apply to

7 (1) a profession not set out under AS 08.01.010; or

8 (2) a profession that is subject to an interstate licensing compact that
9 has been entered into by the state.

10 (f) In this section,

11 (1) "license" has the meaning given in 50 U.S.C. 4025a;

12 (2) "licensing authority" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C.
13 4025a;

14 (3) "military orders" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C. 4025a;

15 (4) "military service" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C. 3911;

16 (5) "scope of practice" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C. 4025a;

17 (6) "servicemember" has the meaning given in 50 U.S.C. 3911.

18 * **Sec. 4.** AS 08.13.070 is amended to read:

19 **Sec. 08.13.070. License required.** A person may not

20 (1) practice barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding, manicuring,
21 esthetics, body piercing, tattooing, or permanent cosmetic coloring without a license,
22 [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license under AS 08.01.061, or student permit
23 unless exempted under AS 08.13.160(d);

24 (2) practice barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding, manicuring,
25 esthetics, body piercing, tattooing, or permanent cosmetic coloring except in a shop or
26 school licensed under this chapter unless exempted under AS 08.13.160(d) or
27 permitted under AS 08.13.160(e);

28 (3) open or conduct a school of barbering, hairdressing, manicuring, or
29 esthetics without a license;

30 (4) teach in a school of barbering, hairdressing, manicuring, or
31 esthetics, or supervise an apprentice in barbering, hairdressing, manicuring, or

1 esthetics without an instructor's license;

2 (5) operate a shop in violation of AS 08.13.120;

3 (6) permit an employee or other person being supervised who is not
4 exempted under AS 08.13.160(d) to practice barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding,
5 manicuring, esthetics, body piercing, tattooing, or permanent cosmetic coloring
6 without a license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license **under AS 08.01.061**,
7 or student permit;

8 (7) permit the use of the person's license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,]
9 temporary license **under AS 08.01.061**, or student permit by another person;

10 (8) obtain or attempt to obtain a license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,]
11 temporary license **under AS 08.01.061**, or student permit by fraudulent means.

12 * **Sec. 5.** AS 08.13.120(b) is amended to read:

13 (b) The regulations adopted under (a) of this section must include provisions
14 under which the board may issue a temporary shop license to a person who has a
15 license or temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT UNDER THIS
16 CHAPTER] to practice tattooing, permanent cosmetic coloring, or body piercing. The
17 temporary shop license authorized under this subsection may only be issued to cover a
18 site where the practitioner intends to hold a workshop or to demonstrate techniques as
19 part of a convention or other special event, as defined by the board, that includes other
20 practitioners of tattooing, permanent cosmetic coloring, or body piercing. Each
21 practitioner of tattooing, permanent cosmetic coloring, or body piercing who holds a
22 workshop or demonstrates techniques at a convention or special event shall have a
23 separate temporary shop license and a license or temporary **license under**
24 **AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT UNDER THIS CHAPTER] to practice tattooing, permanent
25 cosmetic coloring, or body piercing. The board shall issue a temporary shop license
26 upon receipt of an application from a practitioner demonstrating compliance with the
27 regulations adopted under this section and payment of the appropriate fee; however,
28 the temporary shop license may be summarily revoked, without refunding of the fee, if
29 the Department of Environmental Conservation determines after an inspection that the
30 cleanliness or sanitation conditions at the site covered by the temporary **shop** license
31 pose a clear and immediate danger to the public health or safety. A licensee may

1 appeal a summary revocation under this subsection to the superior court.

2 * **Sec. 6.** AS 08.13.130(a) is amended to read:

3 (a) A practitioner shall display the practitioner's license in a conspicuous
4 location in the practitioner's place of business. Each shop owner is responsible for the
5 conspicuous display of the shop's license and the licenses of employees and
6 individuals renting booths in the shop. A person holding a student permit or [,]
7 temporary license under AS 08.01.061 [, OR TEMPORARY PERMIT] shall display
8 the permit or license in a conspicuous location in the school in which the person is
9 enrolled or the shop in which the person works. The school or shop owner is
10 responsible for the display of a permit or license for each enrolled student, apprentice,
11 or temporary license holder.

12 * **Sec. 7.** AS 08.13.150 is amended to read:

13 **Sec. 08.13.150. Disciplinary sanctions and grounds for refusal of a license**
14 **or permit.** The board may, in addition to the actions authorized under AS 08.01.075,
15 refuse, suspend, or revoke a license, temporary shop license, student permit, or
16 temporary license under AS 08.01.061 [, OR TEMPORARY PERMIT] for failure to
17 comply with this chapter, with a regulation adopted under this chapter, with a
18 regulation adopted by the Department of Environmental Conservation under
19 AS 44.46.020, or with an order of the board.

20 * **Sec. 8.** AS 08.13.175 is amended to read:

21 **Sec. 08.13.175. Temporary license.** A person who receives a temporary
22 license under AS 08.01.061 must work [MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF
23 AS 08.13.080(a)(1), (2), (3), (4), OR (6) IS ENTITLED TO BE TEMPORARILY
24 LICENSED AFTER APPLYING FOR EXAMINATION UNDER THIS CHAPTER
25 IF THE APPLICANT WORKS] under the direct supervision, and within the physical
26 presence, of a person who is licensed under this chapter. [IN THE AREA OF
27 PRACTICE FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT HAS APPLIED FOR
28 EXAMINATION. A TEMPORARY LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION IS
29 VALID FOR 120 DAYS AND IS NONRENEWABLE. A PERSON MAY NOT
30 RECEIVE MORE THAN ONE TEMPORARY LICENSE FOR EACH AREA OF
31 PRACTICE LICENSED UNDER THIS CHAPTER. AN APPLICATION FOR A

1 TEMPORARY LICENSE MUST BE SIGNED BY THE SUPERVISING LICENSEE
 2 AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE TEMPORARY LICENSE FEE REQUIRED
 3 UNDER AS 08.13.185.]

4 * **Sec. 9.** AS 08.13.185(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
 6 shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for initial licenses and renewals for the following:

- 7 (1) schools;
- 8 (2) school owners;
- 9 (3) instructor;
- 10 (4) shop owner;
- 11 (5) practitioner of barbering;
- 12 (6) practitioner of hairdressing;
- 13 (7) practitioner of manicuring;
- 14 (8) practitioner of esthetics;
- 15 (9) practitioner of tattooing;
- 16 (10) practitioner of body piercing;
- 17 (11) temporary shop license;
- 18 (12) [TEMPORARY PERMIT;
- 19 (13)] temporary license;
- 20 **(13)** [(14)] student permit;
- 21 **(14)** [(15)] endorsement for advanced manicuring;
- 22 **(15)** [(16)] practitioner of hair braiding;
- 23 **(16)** [(17)] practitioner of permanent cosmetic coloring;
- 24 **(17)** [(18)] practitioner of non-chemical barbering.

25 * **Sec. 10.** AS 08.13.190 is amended to read:

26 **Sec. 08.13.190. Failure to possess a license or permit.** (a) A person who
 27 practices barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding, esthetics, tattooing, permanent
 28 cosmetic coloring, or body piercing, or operates a shop, or operates a school of
 29 barbering, hairdressing, or esthetics, or teaches in a school of barbering, hairdressing,
 30 or esthetics, without a license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license **under**
 31 **AS 08.01.061**, or student permit and who is not exempt under AS 08.13.120 or under

1 AS 08.13.160(d) is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

2 (b) A person who practices manicuring, operates a shop for manicuring,
3 operates a school of manicuring, or teaches in a school of manicuring without the
4 appropriate license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license **under**
5 **AS 08.01.061**, or student permit and who is not exempt under AS 08.13.120 or
6 08.13.160(d) is guilty of a violation.

7 * **Sec. 11.** AS 08.20.180(a) is amended to read:

8 (a) An applicant for an examination, reexamination, issuance of a temporary
9 **license** [PERMIT] under **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.20.160, ISSUANCE OF A LOCUM
10 TENENS PERMIT UNDER AS 08.20.163], issuance of a license by credentials under
11 AS 08.20.141, one-time issuance of a retired status license, or initial issuance or
12 renewal of an active or inactive license shall pay a fee established under
13 AS 08.01.065.

14 * **Sec. 12.** AS 08.36.100 is amended to read:

15 **Sec. 08.36.100. License required.** Except as provided in AS 08.36.238 [AND
16 08.36.254], a person may not practice, or attempt to practice, dentistry without a
17 license.

18 * **Sec. 13.** AS 08.64.279 is amended to read:

19 **Sec. 08.64.279. Interview for permit or temporary license [PERMITS].** An
20 applicant for an intern permit **or a temporary license under AS 08.01.061** [, A
21 RESIDENT PERMIT, OR A TEMPORARY PERMIT FOR LOCUM TENENS
22 PRACTICE] may be interviewed in person by the board, a member of the board, the
23 executive secretary of the board, or a person designated for that purpose by the board.

24 * **Sec. 14.** AS 08.64.315 is amended to read:

25 **Sec. 08.64.315. Fees.** The department shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for
26 each of the following:

- 27 (1) application;
- 28 (2) license by examination;
- 29 (3) license by endorsement or waiver of examination;
- 30 (4) [TEMPORARY PERMIT;
- 31 (5) LOCUM TENENS PERMIT;

- 1 (6)] license renewal, active;
 2 ~~(5)~~ [(7)] license renewal, inactive;
 3 **(6) temporary license under AS 08.01.061;**
 4 ~~(7)~~ [(8)] license by reexamination.

5 * **Sec. 15.** AS 08.68.220 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 08.68.220. Fees.** The Department of Commerce, Community, and
 7 Economic Development shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for each of the following:

- 8 (1) registered nursing:
 9 (A) application;
 10 (B) license by examination;
 11 (C) license by endorsement;
 12 (D) license renewal;
 13 (E) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT];
 14 (2) practical nursing:
 15 (A) application;
 16 (B) license by examination;
 17 (C) license by endorsement;
 18 (D) license renewal;
 19 (E) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT];
 20 (3) advanced practice registered nursing:
 21 (A) application;
 22 (B) license by certification examination;
 23 (C) license by endorsement;
 24 (D) license renewal;
 25 (E) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT].

26 * **Sec. 16.** AS 08.68.230(d) is amended to read:

27 (d) A person who holds a temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT]
 28 to practice as a licensed practical nurse shall use the title "Temporary Licensed
 29 Practical Nurse" and the abbreviation "TLPN."

30 * **Sec. 17.** AS 08.84.010(b) is amended to read:

31 (b) The board shall control all matters pertaining to the licensing of physical

1 therapists, physical therapist assistants, occupational therapists, and occupational
 2 therapy assistants and the practice of physical therapy and the practice of occupational
 3 therapy **under this chapter**. The board shall

- 4 (1) pass upon the qualifications of applicants;
- 5 (2) provide for the examination of applicants;
- 6 (3) issue [TEMPORARY PERMITS AND] licenses to persons
 7 qualified under this chapter;
- 8 (4) suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew a license under
 9 AS 08.84.120;
- 10 (5) keep a current register listing the name, business address, date, and
 11 number of the license of each person who is licensed to practice under this chapter;
- 12 (6) adopt regulations under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act)
 13 necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter, including regulations establishing
 14 qualifications for licensure and renewal of licensure under this chapter.

15 * **Sec. 18.** AS 08.84.050 is amended to read:

16 **Sec. 08.84.050. Fees.** The Department of Commerce, Community, and
 17 Economic Development shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for the following:

- 18 (1) application;
- 19 (2) license by examination;
- 20 (3) license by acceptance of credentials;
- 21 (4) renewal;
- 22 (5) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT;
- 23 (6) LIMITED PERMIT].

24 * **Sec. 19.** AS 08.84.150 is amended to read:

25 **Sec. 08.84.150. License required; exceptions.** (a) It is unlawful for a person
 26 to practice physical therapy without being licensed under this chapter unless the
 27 person is

- 28 (1) a student in an accredited physical therapy program;
- 29 (2) a graduate of a foreign school of physical therapy fulfilling the
 30 internship requirement of AS 08.84.032, and then only unless under the continuous
 31 direction and immediate supervision of a physical therapist; or

1 (3) issued a **temporary license** [LIMITED PERMIT] under
2 **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.84.075].

3 (b) A person may not provide services that the person describes as
4 occupational therapy without being licensed under this chapter unless the person is

5 (1) a student in an accredited occupational therapy program or in a
6 supervised field work program;

7 (2) a graduate of a foreign school of occupational therapy fulfilling the
8 internship requirement of AS 08.84.032, and then only unless under the continuous
9 direction and immediate supervision of an occupational therapist;

10 (3) an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant
11 employed by the United States government while in the discharge of official duties;

12 (4) granted a **temporary license** [LIMITED PERMIT] under
13 **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.84.075];

14 (5) licensed under this title and uses occupational therapy skills in the
15 practice of the profession for which the license is issued; or

16 (6) employed as a teacher or teacher's aide by an educational
17 institution and is required to use occupational therapy skills during the course of
18 employment, if

19 (A) the occupational therapy skills are used under a program
20 implemented by the employer and developed by a licensed occupational
21 therapist;

22 (B) the employer maintains direct supervision of the person's
23 use of occupational therapy skills; and

24 (C) the person does not represent to

25 (i) be an occupational therapist or occupational therapy
26 assistant; and

27 (ii) practice occupational therapy.

28 * **Sec. 20.** AS 08.98.120(a) is amended to read:

29 (a) A person may not practice veterinary medicine, surgery, or dentistry unless
30 the person is licensed as a veterinarian under this chapter or has a temporary **license**
31 [PERMIT ISSUED] under **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.98.186], except that a person may

1 perform functions authorized by

2 (1) regulation of the board if the person is licensed as a veterinary
3 technician; or

4 (2) a permit issued under AS 08.02.050 if the person is employed by
5 an agency that has a permit issued under AS 08.02.050.

6 * **Sec. 21.** AS 08.98.180 is amended to read:

7 **Sec. 08.98.180. Temporary license.** A person who **is granted a temporary**
8 **license by the department under AS 08.01.061 must work** [MEETS THE
9 REQUIREMENTS OF AS 08.98.165(a)(1), (4), AND (5) IS ENTITLED TO BE
10 TEMPORARILY LICENSED AFTER APPLYING FOR EXAMINATION IF THE
11 PERSON WORKS] under the supervision of a [LICENSED] veterinarian **licensed**
12 **under this chapter.** [A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION IS VALID
13 UNTIL THE RESULTS OF THE EXAMINATIONS ARE PUBLISHED. A PERSON
14 MAY NOT RECEIVE MORE THAN ONE TEMPORARY LICENSE. AN
15 APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY LICENSE MUST BE SIGNED BY THE
16 SUPERVISING VETERINARIAN AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE TEMPORARY
17 LICENSE FEE REQUIRED UNDER AS 08.98.190.]

18 * **Sec. 22.** AS 08.98.190 is amended to read:

19 **Sec. 08.98.190. Fees.** The department shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for the
20 following:

- 21 (1) application;
22 (2) examination;
23 (3) investigation of credentials;
24 (4) license;
25 (5) license renewal;
26 (6) temporary license **under AS 08.01.061** [
27 (7) TEMPORARY PERMIT].

28 * **Sec. 23.** AS 08.01.064(b), 08.01.064(c), 08.01.064(d); AS 08.11.020, 08.11.025;
29 AS 08.13.170; AS 08.15.030; AS 08.20.160, 08.20.163; AS 08.26.050; AS 08.36.254;
30 AS 08.45.035(a), 08.45.035(b); AS 08.63.130; AS 08.64.101(b)(2), 08.64.270, 08.64.275;
31 AS 08.68.210; AS 08.70.130; AS 08.80.150, 08.80.155; AS 08.84.065, 08.84.075;

1 AS 08.86.135, 08.86.166; AS 08.95.125; and AS 08.98.186 are repealed.

2 * **Sec. 24.** 12 AAC 02.956, 12 AAC 02.957, 12 AAC 04.184, 12 AAC 14.135, 12 AAC
3 16.206, 12 AAC 18.108, 12 AAC 19.116, 12 AAC 28.958, 12 AAC 36.112, 12 AAC 40.046,
4 12 AAC 44.312, 12 AAC 48.035, 12 AAC 52.105, 12 AAC 54.130, 12 AAC 54.660, 12 AAC
5 60.032, 12 AAC 62.135, 12 AAC 64.066, 12 AAC 68.043, 12 AAC 70.135, and 12 AAC
6 79.115 are annulled.

7 * **Sec. 25.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
8 read:

9 TRANSITION: REGULATIONS. The Department of Commerce, Community, and
10 Economic Development may adopt regulations necessary to implement the changes made by
11 this Act. The regulations take effect under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act), but not
12 before the effective date of the law implemented by the regulation.

13 * **Sec. 26.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
14 read:

15 TRANSITION: SAVINGS CLAUSE. (a) Litigation, hearings, investigations, appeals,
16 and other proceedings pending under a law amended or repealed by this Act continue in effect
17 and may be continued and completed notwithstanding a transfer or amendment or repeal
18 provided for in this Act.

19 (b) Certificates, orders, permits, licenses, and regulations issued or adopted under the
20 authority of a law amended or repealed by this Act remain in effect for the term issued, or
21 until revoked, vacated, or otherwise modified under the provisions of this Act.

22 (c) Contracts, rights, liabilities, and obligations created by or under a law amended or
23 repealed by this Act, and in effect on the effective date of this Act, remain in effect
24 notwithstanding this Act's taking effect.

25 * **Sec. 27.** Sections 3, 25, and 26 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

26 * **Sec. 28.** Except as provided in sec. 27 of this Act, this Act takes effect July 1, 2026.

SENATE BILL NO. 145

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

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FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to professional licensing; relating to temporary licenses for certain**
2 **professions; and providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 08.01 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 08.01.061. Temporary license.** (a) The department may issue a
6 temporary license to practice an occupation in AS 08.01.010 if

7 (1) the applicant

8 (A) is licensed or credentialed to practice the occupation in
9 another state or territory of the United States that

10 (i) has requirements for a license to practice the
11 occupation that are substantially equivalent to or greater than the
12 requirements listed in the applicable chapter of this title; and

13 (ii) authorizes a scope of practice substantially
14 equivalent to the scope of practice of the corresponding license in this

1 state; or

2 (B) does not hold a license to practice that occupation in
3 another jurisdiction but meets the qualifications and requirements for a license
4 under the applicable chapter of this title through military education, training,
5 and service under AS 08.01.064;

6 (2) at the time of application, the applicant is not subject to
7 disciplinary action related to the occupation in another jurisdiction or the subject of an
8 ongoing review or disciplinary proceeding by the licensing authority in that
9 jurisdiction;

10 (3) in the 10 years preceding the submission of an application, the
11 applicant has not committed an act in another jurisdiction that would constitute
12 grounds for the denial or revocation of a license, certificate, or permit to practice that
13 occupation at the time the act was committed; and

14 (4) the applicable fees are paid.

15 (b) If the department or applicable board requires that an applicant for a
16 professional license submit information related to a criminal history record check,
17 those requirements also apply to an applicant for a temporary license. The department
18 may grant a temporary license before obtaining the resulting report.

19 (c) If the department finds that a temporary license was secured through
20 deceit, fraud, or intentional misrepresentation, the department may take disciplinary
21 action against the temporary license, including revoking the temporary license.

22 (d) A temporary license is valid for up to 180 days as determined by the
23 department. For each temporary license issued to an applicant, the applicant may
24 apply for one 180-day extension, which will be approved at the department's
25 discretion.

26 (e) Except as provided in (f) of this section, a temporary license for an
27 occupation listed in AS 08.01.010 satisfies the requirements to practice that
28 occupation.

29 (f) This section does not apply to an occupation regulated under AS 08.54 or
30 AS 08.62.

31 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.01.062 is amended to read:

1 **Sec. 08.01.062. Courtesy licenses.** (a) A board established under this title
 2 [AND THE DEPARTMENT, WITH RESPECT TO AN OCCUPATION THAT IT
 3 REGULATES UNDER THIS TITLE,] may by regulation establish criteria for issuing
 4 a [TEMPORARY] courtesy license to nonresidents who enter the state so that, on a
 5 temporary basis, they may practice the occupation regulated by the board **for a**
 6 **limited purpose. A courtesy license may not authorize a licensee to engage in the**
 7 **general practice of the related occupation** [OR THE DEPARTMENT].

8 (b) The regulations adopted under (a) of this section may include limitations
 9 relating to the

10 (1) duration of the license's validity;

11 (2) scope of practice allowed under the license; and

12 (3) other matters considered important by the board [OR THE
 13 DEPARTMENT].

14 * **Sec. 3.** AS 08.01.063 is repealed and reenacted to read:

15 **Sec. 08.01.063. Portability of professional licenses for servicemembers and**
 16 **their spouses.** (a) Except as provided in (e) of this section and 50 U.S.C. 4025a, the
 17 department shall issue a license to practice an occupation in AS 08.01.010 that has an
 18 equivalent scope of practice as a certificate or license held by a servicemember or
 19 spouse of a servicemember if the servicemember or spouse relocates residence to the
 20 state in accordance with military orders, applies in a manner prescribed by the
 21 department, and meets the requirements of this section. An application under this
 22 section must include

23 (1) evidence satisfactory to the department that the applicant

24 (A) has received military orders, or is the spouse of a
 25 servicemember who has received military orders, for military service in the
 26 state;

27 (B) holds a license or certificate issued by the licensing
 28 authority of another state that

29 (i) is in good standing with the licensing authority;

30 (ii) has not been revoked or subject to discipline;

31 (iii) does not have an investigation relating to

1 unprofessional conduct pending in any state relating to it; and

2 (iv) has not been voluntarily surrendered while under
3 investigation for unprofessional conduct in any state; and

4 (C) is in good standing with the licensing authority of any state
5 that has issued the applicant a license or certificate.

6 (2) a notarized affidavit affirming, under penalty of law, that

7 (A) the applicant is the person described and identified in the
8 application;

9 (B) all statements made in the application are true and correct;

10 (C) the applicant has read and understands the requirements to
11 receive a license and the scope of practice of that license type;

12 (D) the applicant will comply with the requirements to practice
13 under the license, including requirements related to discipline and fulfillment
14 of continuing education; and

15 (E) the applicant is in good standing with the licensing
16 authority of

17 (i) the jurisdiction that issued the applicant's existing
18 license or certificate; and

19 (ii) any other jurisdiction of a state, district, or territory
20 of the United States that has issued the applicant a license or certificate;

21 (3) if the applicant is the spouse of a military servicemember, a copy of
22 the marriage certificate; and

23 (4) payment of any applicable fees.

24 (b) If an applicant meets the requirements of (a) of this section, the department
25 shall issue a license to the applicant within 30 days after receipt of the application. The
26 department may extend the 30-day period only for the purpose of completing a
27 criminal history record check under (d) of this section. If the department cannot issue
28 the license within 30 days, the department may issue to the applicant a temporary
29 license to practice the profession while the criminal history record check is pending.

30 (c) Notwithstanding (d) of this section, a license issued under this section is
31 subject to the applicable department or board requirements for that license and for the

1 practice of the related profession, including renewal dates established under
2 AS 08.01.100.

3 (d) If the department or applicable board requires that an applicant for a
4 professional license submit information related to a criminal history record check, the
5 department may require an applicant under this section to meet the same requirements.

6 (e) This section does not apply to

7 (1) a profession not set out under AS 08.01.010; or

8 (2) a profession that is subject to an interstate licensing compact that
9 has been entered into by the state.

10 (f) In this section,

11 (1) "license" has the meaning given in 50 U.S.C. 4025a;

12 (2) "licensing authority" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C.
13 4025a;

14 (3) "military orders" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C. 4025a;

15 (4) "military service" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C. 3911;

16 (5) "scope of practice" has the meaning given under 50 U.S.C. 4025a;

17 (6) "servicemember" has the meaning given in 50 U.S.C. 3911.

18 * **Sec. 4.** AS 08.13.070 is amended to read:

19 **Sec. 08.13.070. License required.** A person may not

20 (1) practice barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding, manicuring,
21 esthetics, body piercing, tattooing, or permanent cosmetic coloring without a license,
22 [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license under AS 08.01.061, or student permit
23 unless exempted under AS 08.13.160(d);

24 (2) practice barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding, manicuring,
25 esthetics, body piercing, tattooing, or permanent cosmetic coloring except in a shop or
26 school licensed under this chapter unless exempted under AS 08.13.160(d) or
27 permitted under AS 08.13.160(e);

28 (3) open or conduct a school of barbering, hairdressing, manicuring, or
29 esthetics without a license;

30 (4) teach in a school of barbering, hairdressing, manicuring, or
31 esthetics, or supervise an apprentice in barbering, hairdressing, manicuring, or

1 esthetics without an instructor's license;

2 (5) operate a shop in violation of AS 08.13.120;

3 (6) permit an employee or other person being supervised who is not
4 exempted under AS 08.13.160(d) to practice barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding,
5 manicuring, esthetics, body piercing, tattooing, or permanent cosmetic coloring
6 without a license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license **under AS 08.01.061**,
7 or student permit;

8 (7) permit the use of the person's license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,]
9 temporary license **under AS 08.01.061**, or student permit by another person;

10 (8) obtain or attempt to obtain a license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,]
11 temporary license **under AS 08.01.061**, or student permit by fraudulent means.

12 * **Sec. 5.** AS 08.13.120(b) is amended to read:

13 (b) The regulations adopted under (a) of this section must include provisions
14 under which the board may issue a temporary shop license to a person who has a
15 license or temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT UNDER THIS
16 CHAPTER] to practice tattooing, permanent cosmetic coloring, or body piercing. The
17 temporary shop license authorized under this subsection may only be issued to cover a
18 site where the practitioner intends to hold a workshop or to demonstrate techniques as
19 part of a convention or other special event, as defined by the board, that includes other
20 practitioners of tattooing, permanent cosmetic coloring, or body piercing. Each
21 practitioner of tattooing, permanent cosmetic coloring, or body piercing who holds a
22 workshop or demonstrates techniques at a convention or special event shall have a
23 separate temporary shop license and a license or temporary **license under**
24 **AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT UNDER THIS CHAPTER] to practice tattooing, permanent
25 cosmetic coloring, or body piercing. The board shall issue a temporary shop license
26 upon receipt of an application from a practitioner demonstrating compliance with the
27 regulations adopted under this section and payment of the appropriate fee; however,
28 the temporary shop license may be summarily revoked, without refunding of the fee, if
29 the Department of Environmental Conservation determines after an inspection that the
30 cleanliness or sanitation conditions at the site covered by the temporary **shop** license
31 pose a clear and immediate danger to the public health or safety. A licensee may

1 appeal a summary revocation under this subsection to the superior court.

2 * **Sec. 6.** AS 08.13.130(a) is amended to read:

3 (a) A practitioner shall display the practitioner's license in a conspicuous
4 location in the practitioner's place of business. Each shop owner is responsible for the
5 conspicuous display of the shop's license and the licenses of employees and
6 individuals renting booths in the shop. A person holding a student permit or [,]
7 temporary license under AS 08.01.061 [, OR TEMPORARY PERMIT] shall display
8 the permit or license in a conspicuous location in the school in which the person is
9 enrolled or the shop in which the person works. The school or shop owner is
10 responsible for the display of a permit or license for each enrolled student, apprentice,
11 or temporary license holder.

12 * **Sec. 7.** AS 08.13.150 is amended to read:

13 **Sec. 08.13.150. Disciplinary sanctions and grounds for refusal of a license**
14 **or permit.** The board may, in addition to the actions authorized under AS 08.01.075,
15 refuse, suspend, or revoke a license, temporary shop license, student permit, or
16 temporary license under AS 08.01.061 [, OR TEMPORARY PERMIT] for failure to
17 comply with this chapter, with a regulation adopted under this chapter, with a
18 regulation adopted by the Department of Environmental Conservation under
19 AS 44.46.020, or with an order of the board.

20 * **Sec. 8.** AS 08.13.175 is amended to read:

21 **Sec. 08.13.175. Temporary license.** A person who receives a temporary
22 license under AS 08.01.061 must work [MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF
23 AS 08.13.080(a)(1), (2), (3), (4), OR (6) IS ENTITLED TO BE TEMPORARILY
24 LICENSED AFTER APPLYING FOR EXAMINATION UNDER THIS CHAPTER
25 IF THE APPLICANT WORKS] under the direct supervision, and within the physical
26 presence, of a person who is licensed under this chapter. [IN THE AREA OF
27 PRACTICE FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT HAS APPLIED FOR
28 EXAMINATION. A TEMPORARY LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION IS
29 VALID FOR 120 DAYS AND IS NONRENEWABLE. A PERSON MAY NOT
30 RECEIVE MORE THAN ONE TEMPORARY LICENSE FOR EACH AREA OF
31 PRACTICE LICENSED UNDER THIS CHAPTER. AN APPLICATION FOR A

1 TEMPORARY LICENSE MUST BE SIGNED BY THE SUPERVISING LICENSEE
 2 AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE TEMPORARY LICENSE FEE REQUIRED
 3 UNDER AS 08.13.185.]

4 * **Sec. 9.** AS 08.13.185(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
 6 shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for initial licenses and renewals for the following:

- 7 (1) schools;
- 8 (2) school owners;
- 9 (3) instructor;
- 10 (4) shop owner;
- 11 (5) practitioner of barbering;
- 12 (6) practitioner of hairdressing;
- 13 (7) practitioner of manicuring;
- 14 (8) practitioner of esthetics;
- 15 (9) practitioner of tattooing;
- 16 (10) practitioner of body piercing;
- 17 (11) temporary shop license;
- 18 (12) [TEMPORARY PERMIT;
- 19 (13)] temporary license;
- 20 **(13)** [(14)] student permit;
- 21 **(14)** [(15)] endorsement for advanced manicuring;
- 22 **(15)** [(16)] practitioner of hair braiding;
- 23 **(16)** [(17)] practitioner of permanent cosmetic coloring;
- 24 **(17)** [(18)] practitioner of non-chemical barbering.

25 * **Sec. 10.** AS 08.13.190 is amended to read:

26 **Sec. 08.13.190. Failure to possess a license or permit.** (a) A person who
 27 practices barbering, hairdressing, hair braiding, esthetics, tattooing, permanent
 28 cosmetic coloring, or body piercing, or operates a shop, or operates a school of
 29 barbering, hairdressing, or esthetics, or teaches in a school of barbering, hairdressing,
 30 or esthetics, without a license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license **under**
 31 **AS 08.01.061**, or student permit and who is not exempt under AS 08.13.120 or under

1 AS 08.13.160(d) is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

2 (b) A person who practices manicuring, operates a shop for manicuring,
3 operates a school of manicuring, or teaches in a school of manicuring without the
4 appropriate license, [TEMPORARY PERMIT,] temporary license **under**
5 **AS 08.01.061**, or student permit and who is not exempt under AS 08.13.120 or
6 08.13.160(d) is guilty of a violation.

7 * **Sec. 11.** AS 08.20.180(a) is amended to read:

8 (a) An applicant for an examination, reexamination, issuance of a temporary
9 **license** [PERMIT] under **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.20.160, ISSUANCE OF A LOCUM
10 TENENS PERMIT UNDER AS 08.20.163], issuance of a license by credentials under
11 AS 08.20.141, one-time issuance of a retired status license, or initial issuance or
12 renewal of an active or inactive license shall pay a fee established under
13 AS 08.01.065.

14 * **Sec. 12.** AS 08.36.100 is amended to read:

15 **Sec. 08.36.100. License required.** Except as provided in AS 08.36.238 [AND
16 08.36.254], a person may not practice, or attempt to practice, dentistry without a
17 license.

18 * **Sec. 13.** AS 08.64.279 is amended to read:

19 **Sec. 08.64.279. Interview for permit or temporary license [PERMITS].** An
20 applicant for an intern permit **or a temporary license under AS 08.01.061** [, A
21 RESIDENT PERMIT, OR A TEMPORARY PERMIT FOR LOCUM TENENS
22 PRACTICE] may be interviewed in person by the board, a member of the board, the
23 executive secretary of the board, or a person designated for that purpose by the board.

24 * **Sec. 14.** AS 08.64.315 is amended to read:

25 **Sec. 08.64.315. Fees.** The department shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for
26 each of the following:

- 27 (1) application;
- 28 (2) license by examination;
- 29 (3) license by endorsement or waiver of examination;
- 30 (4) [TEMPORARY PERMIT];
- 31 (5) LOCUM TENENS PERMIT;

1 (6)] license renewal, active;

2 ~~(5)~~ [(7)] license renewal, inactive;

3 **(6) temporary license under AS 08.01.061;**

4 ~~(7)~~ [(8)] license by reexamination.

5 * **Sec. 15.** AS 08.68.220 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 08.68.220. Fees.** The Department of Commerce, Community, and
7 Economic Development shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for each of the following:

8 (1) registered nursing:

9 (A) application;

10 (B) license by examination;

11 (C) license by endorsement;

12 (D) license renewal;

13 (E) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT];

14 (2) practical nursing:

15 (A) application;

16 (B) license by examination;

17 (C) license by endorsement;

18 (D) license renewal;

19 (E) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT];

20 (3) advanced practice registered nursing:

21 (A) application;

22 (B) license by certification examination;

23 (C) license by endorsement;

24 (D) license renewal;

25 (E) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT].

26 * **Sec. 16.** AS 08.68.230(d) is amended to read:

27 (d) A person who holds a temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT]
28 to practice as a licensed practical nurse shall use the title "Temporary Licensed
29 Practical Nurse" and the abbreviation "TLPN."

30 * **Sec. 17.** AS 08.84.010(b) is amended to read:

31 (b) The board shall control all matters pertaining to the licensing of physical

1 therapists, physical therapist assistants, occupational therapists, and occupational
 2 therapy assistants and the practice of physical therapy and the practice of occupational
 3 therapy **under this chapter**. The board shall

- 4 (1) pass upon the qualifications of applicants;
- 5 (2) provide for the examination of applicants;
- 6 (3) issue [TEMPORARY PERMITS AND] licenses to persons
 7 qualified under this chapter;
- 8 (4) suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew a license under
 9 AS 08.84.120;
- 10 (5) keep a current register listing the name, business address, date, and
 11 number of the license of each person who is licensed to practice under this chapter;
- 12 (6) adopt regulations under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act)
 13 necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter, including regulations establishing
 14 qualifications for licensure and renewal of licensure under this chapter.

15 * **Sec. 18.** AS 08.84.050 is amended to read:

16 **Sec. 08.84.050. Fees.** The Department of Commerce, Community, and
 17 Economic Development shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for the following:

- 18 (1) application;
- 19 (2) license by examination;
- 20 (3) license by acceptance of credentials;
- 21 (4) renewal;
- 22 (5) temporary **license under AS 08.01.061** [PERMIT;
- 23 (6) LIMITED PERMIT].

24 * **Sec. 19.** AS 08.84.150 is amended to read:

25 **Sec. 08.84.150. License required; exceptions.** (a) It is unlawful for a person
 26 to practice physical therapy without being licensed under this chapter unless the
 27 person is

- 28 (1) a student in an accredited physical therapy program;
- 29 (2) a graduate of a foreign school of physical therapy fulfilling the
 30 internship requirement of AS 08.84.032, and then only unless under the continuous
 31 direction and immediate supervision of a physical therapist; or

1 (3) issued a **temporary license** [LIMITED PERMIT] under
2 **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.84.075].

3 (b) A person may not provide services that the person describes as
4 occupational therapy without being licensed under this chapter unless the person is

5 (1) a student in an accredited occupational therapy program or in a
6 supervised field work program;

7 (2) a graduate of a foreign school of occupational therapy fulfilling the
8 internship requirement of AS 08.84.032, and then only unless under the continuous
9 direction and immediate supervision of an occupational therapist;

10 (3) an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant
11 employed by the United States government while in the discharge of official duties;

12 (4) granted a **temporary license** [LIMITED PERMIT] under
13 **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.84.075];

14 (5) licensed under this title and uses occupational therapy skills in the
15 practice of the profession for which the license is issued; or

16 (6) employed as a teacher or teacher's aide by an educational
17 institution and is required to use occupational therapy skills during the course of
18 employment, if

19 (A) the occupational therapy skills are used under a program
20 implemented by the employer and developed by a licensed occupational
21 therapist;

22 (B) the employer maintains direct supervision of the person's
23 use of occupational therapy skills; and

24 (C) the person does not represent to

25 (i) be an occupational therapist or occupational therapy
26 assistant; and

27 (ii) practice occupational therapy.

28 * **Sec. 20.** AS 08.98.120(a) is amended to read:

29 (a) A person may not practice veterinary medicine, surgery, or dentistry unless
30 the person is licensed as a veterinarian under this chapter or has a temporary **license**
31 [PERMIT ISSUED] under **AS 08.01.061** [AS 08.98.186], except that a person may

1 perform functions authorized by

2 (1) regulation of the board if the person is licensed as a veterinary
3 technician; or

4 (2) a permit issued under AS 08.02.050 if the person is employed by
5 an agency that has a permit issued under AS 08.02.050.

6 * **Sec. 21.** AS 08.98.180 is amended to read:

7 **Sec. 08.98.180. Temporary license.** A person who **is granted a temporary**
8 **license by the department under AS 08.01.061 must work** [MEETS THE
9 REQUIREMENTS OF AS 08.98.165(a)(1), (4), AND (5) IS ENTITLED TO BE
10 TEMPORARILY LICENSED AFTER APPLYING FOR EXAMINATION IF THE
11 PERSON WORKS] under the supervision of a [LICENSED] veterinarian **licensed**
12 **under this chapter.** [A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION IS VALID
13 UNTIL THE RESULTS OF THE EXAMINATIONS ARE PUBLISHED. A PERSON
14 MAY NOT RECEIVE MORE THAN ONE TEMPORARY LICENSE. AN
15 APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY LICENSE MUST BE SIGNED BY THE
16 SUPERVISING VETERINARIAN AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE TEMPORARY
17 LICENSE FEE REQUIRED UNDER AS 08.98.190.]

18 * **Sec. 22.** AS 08.98.190 is amended to read:

19 **Sec. 08.98.190. Fees.** The department shall set fees under AS 08.01.065 for the
20 following:

- 21 (1) application;
22 (2) examination;
23 (3) investigation of credentials;
24 (4) license;
25 (5) license renewal;
26 (6) temporary license **under AS 08.01.061** [
27 (7) TEMPORARY PERMIT].

28 * **Sec. 23.** AS 08.01.064(b), 08.01.064(c), 08.01.064(d); AS 08.11.020, 08.11.025;
29 AS 08.13.170; AS 08.15.030; AS 08.20.160, 08.20.163; AS 08.26.050; AS 08.36.254;
30 AS 08.45.035(a), 08.45.035(b); AS 08.63.130; AS 08.64.101(b)(2), 08.64.270, 08.64.275;
31 AS 08.68.210; AS 08.70.130; AS 08.80.150, 08.80.155; AS 08.84.065, 08.84.075;

1 AS 08.86.135, 08.86.166; AS 08.95.125; and AS 08.98.186 are repealed.

2 * **Sec. 24.** 12 AAC 02.956, 12 AAC 02.957, 12 AAC 04.184, 12 AAC 14.135, 12 AAC
3 16.206, 12 AAC 18.108, 12 AAC 19.116, 12 AAC 28.958, 12 AAC 36.112, 12 AAC 40.046,
4 12 AAC 44.312, 12 AAC 48.035, 12 AAC 52.105, 12 AAC 54.130, 12 AAC 54.660, 12 AAC
5 60.032, 12 AAC 62.135, 12 AAC 64.066, 12 AAC 68.043, 12 AAC 70.135, and 12 AAC
6 79.115 are annulled.

7 * **Sec. 25.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
8 read:

9 TRANSITION: REGULATIONS. The Department of Commerce, Community, and
10 Economic Development may adopt regulations necessary to implement the changes made by
11 this Act. The regulations take effect under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act), but not
12 before the effective date of the law implemented by the regulation.

13 * **Sec. 26.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
14 read:

15 TRANSITION: SAVINGS CLAUSE. (a) Litigation, hearings, investigations, appeals,
16 and other proceedings pending under a law amended or repealed by this Act continue in effect
17 and may be continued and completed notwithstanding a transfer or amendment or repeal
18 provided for in this Act.

19 (b) Certificates, orders, permits, licenses, and regulations issued or adopted under the
20 authority of a law amended or repealed by this Act remain in effect for the term issued, or
21 until revoked, vacated, or otherwise modified under the provisions of this Act.

22 (c) Contracts, rights, liabilities, and obligations created by or under a law amended or
23 repealed by this Act, and in effect on the effective date of this Act, remain in effect
24 notwithstanding this Act's taking effect.

25 * **Sec. 27.** Sections 3, 25, and 26 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

26 * **Sec. 28.** Except as provided in sec. 27 of this Act, this Act takes effect July 1, 2026.

PUBLIC COMMENT

March 4, 2025

Dear Alaska Senate Labor and Commerce Members:

On behalf of the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), thank you for the opportunity to comment on Senate Bill 54 (SB 54). NCEES proudly voices its support for the Alaska State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors, the state licensing board for professional engineers and professional surveyors, among other fields. Our organization is advocating for an eight-year continuation of the board as we continue to champion licensure's public protections and develop and maintain licensure pathways for engineers and surveyors.


Since its establishment, the Alaska State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors has played an integral role in protecting the health, safety, and welfare of Alaskans. With over 5,000 licensed practitioners, the board oversees licensure requirements, enforces licensure law, and ensures its professional engineers and professional surveyors abide by national standards. These licensure requirements and regulations are in place to make sure that only qualified individuals receive and practice with a professional license. Thus, the board is instrumental in safeguarding critical state infrastructure and ensuring site improvement projects are safely conducted each year—all of which impact the daily lives of Alaskans.

As the national organization representing 69 state licensing boards for engineering and surveying, NCEES understands the importance of regulating engineering and surveying licensure and having adequate subject-matter experts on each licensing board to ensure the public's health, safety, and welfare. Professional board members are essential to discerning areas of practice overlap and determining improper practice.

For these reasons, **NCEES implores you to vote for the continuation of the Alaska State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors.** We believe that the board's mission to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of Alaska through licensure is too important to interrupt or jeopardize.

We appreciate the opportunity to weigh in on SB 54, as it is of the utmost importance to our organization. NCEES will continue to support the Alaska board as it works to protect Alaskans and the state's unique environments by upholding the importance of consistency and effectiveness in licensure requirements across the country and within the state.

Sincerely,



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Senate Labor and Commerce Committee Members:

Interior design is a profession that does *not* warrant a seat at the same table with Engineers and Land Surveyors.

The nature of interior design is artistic. If not exclusively, it is at least *primarily* subjective. It should remain that way.

The impact of interior design on public health, safety, or welfare is insignificant and inconsequential. I should hope that such design work never requires professional certification.

Creating this licensing possibility, as SB54 proposes, introduces a work barrier to some designers. In fact, certification and licensing disproportionately affects those who need employment opportunities most. It costs time and money. It requires a personal investment without a guarantee of return. It requires regular administrative maintenance on the part of many. It requires effort on the part of the board. At times, licensing has the potential to create extreme hassle. All of this discourages those who are interested and qualified. It would also serve to increase the cost of professional services in Alaska by creating an exclusive class of interior design professionals. In doing so it could help fuel inflation.

As an alternative, the requirements for certified or licensed interior designers on projects should be eliminated and prohibited. This would make all work available to any qualified bidder based on qualifications and experience. Qualifications and experience are the exact same criteria used to justify licensing. Why introduce a bureaucratic element when such evaluation can be accomplished during the bidding process through specification. Holding this line would not prohibit experience-based selection as is common on public professional competitive contracts. It would also mitigate inflation by keeping professional services competitive.

In contrast to interior design, the profession of Engineering and Land Surveying is primarily objective. Practical experience requiring extensive knowledge and application of scientific principles is required. The same cannot be said for interior design. If claimed by an interior designer, however, only in the most unique cases could such highly qualified skill be comparable to the level employed by the professions of engineering and land surveying. None come to mind.

Creating a seat on the proposed board should not be about facilitating work on federal contracts, or about creating more bureaucracy to support existing bureaucracy. Maintaining a board is about regulating a profession. It should be done so with professionals of similar, relatable, and co-dependent skillsets because the integrity and success of their professional network depend upon each other. How could an interior designer reasonably claim to relate to the professional practice of engineering and land surveying? How could an interior designer reasonably claim to share professional dependency with engineering or land surveying as a co-equal professional? I will tell you, they cannot. Given this, there can be no justification for a seat on the subject board elevating interior designers to the status of relatable co-dependent professional.

Creating a seat for interior designers on the registration board for architects, engineers, and land surveyors makes as much sense as also creating a seat on the same board representing the Urinal Cake Manufacturers and Suppliers Association. In fact, it doesn't make any sense. Perhaps, as a relatable co-dependent professional, the urinal cake association representative instead deserves a seat with the Alaska Bar Association.

Do not pass SB54!

Sincerely,
Lucas Smith



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Date of Final Board Approval: 5/22/2025

Board Member

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John Barry (March 2024-2028)
Jeffrey Garness (March 2020-2028)
Edward Leonetti (March 2021-2029)
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Samson Shepherd (March 2025-2029)
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Board Seat

Architect
Mining Engineer
Engineer other than those listed
Landscape Architect
Civil Engineer
Land Surveyor
Civil Engineer
Mechanical Engineer
Land Surveyor
Architect
Public Member

**The Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors
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Accomplishments

The Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors (AELS) underwent its sunset review during FY2025. The Legislative Audit Committee had no findings and has recommended the legislature extend the board's termination date eight years to June 30, 2033. The full audit report can be found at"

<https://legaudit.akleg.gov/wp-content/docs/audits/sunset/ACN%2008-20141-24%20Sunset%20Review%20of%20Architects,%20Engineers,%20and%20Land%20Surveyors.pdf> **

AELS during its November board meeting approved recommending other statute changes to be added to its sunset bill. Those changes included changing the board make-up by adding a mechanical engineer seat and allowing other subsurface engineers to sit in the mining seat, putting the Executive Administrator salary in statute, excluding natural gas pipelines from the industrial exemption, and adding an exemption for Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation certified installers of on-site wastewater systems.

Senator Claman agreed to sponsor AELS's sunset bill by including it in SB54 which adds Registered Interior Designers to the AELS board in a title act with permitting privileges. The bill has passed the Senate and is currently with the House Labor and Commerce Committee*.

Also during FY 2025, the board held its quarterly meetings in August, November, February and May. It also reviewed and registered 249* applicants for licensure as well as issuing 38* Certificate of Authorizations to firms. Twelve* investigative cases were opened which resulted in six* cases being closed with no action, three* advisement letters being sent, and one* license action.

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AELS has the following committees that meet between board meetings to work on board business as shown:

Outreach Committee	Planned outreach event with ASPLS to discuss the dropping numbers of licensed land surveyors Designed and compiled the 2025 AELS Newsletter Discussing how to educate the public on not practicing or giving the impression of practice (prohibition of practice) without a license.
Education Committee	Working on the core competencies for the Cold Regions Design Course Reviewing ABET equivalent degrees
Investigative Advisory Committee	Working on a regulation project to clarify actions that need to be investigated
Legislative Liaison Committee	Working on a regulation project to address the lapsed/expired license status Proposed AELS statute changes to include with the sunset bill Monitoring SB54
Planning & Implementation Committee	Developing the AELS Strategy Plan for 7/1/2025-6/30/2026

In addition to the standing committees, the AELS Board has the following working groups/special committees to address the issues below:

ADEC Working Group	Working to bring agreement between AELS's and ADEC's regulations
SE Working Group	Board approved the proposed regulation change language to 12AAC 36.990(a)(44)(F) proposed by the working group. The regulation project is waiting to be public noticed.
Land Surveyor Working Group	Considering a pathway to licensure for applicants with no degree
Responsible Charge Working Group	Discussing the use of the term "responsible charge" in regulations and statute
Special Committee – Decoupling	Considering revisions to the topic of decoupling and how the board can improve access to testing for applicants.
Special Committee- FE Waiver	Working on regulation project to amend 12 AAC 36.090 to add additional options for waiver of Fundamentals of Engineering examination

During its August board meeting, the AELS Board met with members of the Alaska Society of Professional Land Surveyors to discuss the decreasing numbers of registered land surveyors. This meeting resulted in the formation of the Land Surveyor Working Group which was tasked with reviewing the education requirements and consider a pathway to licensure for applicants with no degree.

Individual board members attended and engaged in the national organization committees and state chapters of national associations. At least one representative from the AELS Board attended the annual meetings and regional conferences for engineers, architects and land surveyors. These conferences make the Board aware of the national trends that are affecting each profession.

A delegate from the AELS Board attended all hearings on SB54. SB54 includes both the AELS sunset bill and a title act with permitting privileges for registered interior designers. The board voted to support this bill during its February 12-13th, 2024, meeting.

Regulation projects that are currently waiting for public notice are addressing the term "responsible charge" and "responsible charge experience," adding the discipline of architectural engineering, as well as clarifying document retention, changing the date for the current AELS bylaws, and changing the requirements for bridges to be significant structures.

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Due to having an 11 person board, board meetings are much more efficient when the board can meet in person. The board continues to request that the division allow the board to meet in different parts of the state in order to better connect with all its registrants state-wide.

To keep current on the national trends for the professions regulated by the AELS Board, it is imperative that board members and staff travel to and attend the following national organizations' conferences:

NCEES	Annual Business Meeting Western Zones	August 19-22, 2026 April 30-May 2, 2026	Henderson, NV Bend, OR	Up to 3 board members and Executive Administrator
NCARB	Annual Business Meeting Regional Summit	June 25-27, 2026 March 20-21, 2026	Minneapolis, MN Oklahoma City, OK	Up to 2 board members and Executive Administrator
CLARB	Annual Business Meeting	Sept. 18-20, 2025	Lexington, KY	1 board member and Executive Administrator

In addition to the conferences, some board members are on committees for the national organizations and will need to travel for their service on the committees. The AELS Board also requests travel dollars in the event the investigator needs to travel for site visits and for a board member to travel for proctoring the AKLS.

The AELS Board sunset bill is included in SB54 and HB215. If neither of those bills pass, then AELS will need to find a sponsor to extend the board to June of 2033.*

The board has the following three open seats which are in need of being filled: the Architect seat, the Land Surveyor seat, and the Public Member seat.*

GOVERNORS ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #358 EXTRACT

Regulations:

In order for agencies to focus their attention on the State's core mission of providing essential services to Alaskans and maximizing operational efficiency, there is, effective immediately, a freeze on the promulgation of new regulations by all agencies. This freeze does not apply to regulations currently out for public notice.

If an agency believes a new regulations package is necessary to protect the safety of the public or to meet other essential State responsibilities, a waiver request from the regulations freeze may be submitted by the agency head to the Chief of Staff and Deputy Chief of Staff.

**Chapter 36. State Board of Registration for Architects,
Engineers, and Land Surveyors.**

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted. Complete new sections are not in boldface or underlined.)

12 AAC 36.063(c)(1) is amended to read:

(1) two years of responsible charge experience or ~~[THE]~~ equivalent experience gained through a mentoring program, within the meaning given in 12 AAC 36.990(a) and this section; to receive full credit for responsible charge experience, an applicant **for registration** must gain responsible charge experience while under ~~the responsible charge~~ **[CONTROL]** of a professional engineer registered in the United States in the branch of engineering for which the applicant has applied; the board will determine the amount of credit given for responsible charge experience gained under the responsible **charge** **[CONTROL]** of a professional engineer registered in the United States in another branch of engineering based on the comparability with the branch of engineering to which the applicant has applied;

12 AAC 36.063(j)(1)(B) is amended to read:

(B) a statement **that indicates** **[INDICATING]** whether or **not the** **experience** **[IT]** was responsible charge **experience** **[WORK]** and if the **experience** **[WORK]** was performed according to industry standards;

(Eff. 9/30/78, Register 67; am 6/29/84, Register 90; am 8/13/87, Register 103; am 6/3/89, Register 110; am 3/16/96, Register 137; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 11/20/99, Register 152; am 3/8/2001, Register 157; am 6/13/2003, Register 166; am 7/22/2004, Register 171; am 9/11/2004, Register 171; am 10/29/2009, Register 192; am 9/9/2016, Register

Commented [BWS1]: **Edit:** removed an unnecessary article for grammar clarity.

Commented [BWS2]: **Edit:** included "for registration" here as a clarifying edit, since the subject of the application is not stated in the introductory language of .063(c).

Commented [BWS3]: **Questions:**
(1) Does the board intend to replace "responsible control" with "responsible charge" for each regulated registration type? If so, an additional conforming change may be needed at 12 AAC 36.068(b)(1) (concerning registration of landscape architects). But I will hold off on adding the change unless confirmed.
(2) If the intent is to remove "responsible control" in its entirety, should the definition for "responsible control" (12 AAC 36.990(a)(30)) be repealed as a conforming change?

Commented [SN4R3]: No we are leaving it in 36.068

Commented [AO5R3]: The board intends to replace the term "responsible control" with "responsible charge" in all instances throughout the regulations, save for 12 AAC 36.068 where the term "responsible control" is deliberately retained as it relates to landscape architects. Please therefore retain "responsible control" at .068 as well as the related definition at .990(a)(30).

Suggest amending definition at .990(a)(30) for the avoidance of doubt that the term relates solely to landscape architects:

(30) "responsible control" means that amount of control over and detailed knowledge of the content of technical submissions during their preparation as is ordinarily exercised by registered [ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND] landscape architects applying the required professional standard of care.

Commented [BWS6R3]: Thanks, Alison! This makes sense and the conforming definition change is definitely needed. I've incorporated that amendment into these regulations, at .990. No further questions on this one.

Commented [AO7R3]: This is approved

Commented [FCB8]: **Edit:** Because "responsible" is remaining the same as it appears in regulation, only "charge" needs to be marked as new language.

Commented [FCB9]: **Edit:** Corrected sentence tense.

Commented [FCB10]: **Edit:** Changed "it" to "the experience" to eliminate the ambiguity caused by the non-specific pronoun.

Commented [SD11]: Change to 'experience' as well to match?

Commented [SN12R11]: Yes "experience" – good catch

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219; am 5/25/2017, Register 222; am 5/5/2023, Register 246; am 10/22/2023, Register 248; am 4/18/2024, Register 250; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.171 AS 08.48.181

12 AAC 36.065(b) is amended to read:

(b) For purposes of this section,

(1) "responsible [RESPONSIBLE] charge under P.L.S. in a [OF

PROFESSIONAL] land surveying capacity [(P.L.S.)]" means work as a supervisor under the responsible charge [CONTROL] of a land surveyor registered in the United States [,] and working in the "practice of land surveying" as described in AS 08.48.341;

(2) except for experience gained from responsible charge under P.L.S. in a

land surveying capacity, [, [THE REMAINDER OF] the required work experience listed in (a) of this section must be derived from office or field work involving the activities listed in AS 08.48.341; the board will consider partial [PARTIAL] completion of a curriculum that leads [LEADING] to a degree in land surveying [WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD] in determining applicable work experience;

(3) the [THE] board will determine the amount of credit given for responsible

charge experience gained under the responsible charge [CONTROL] of a professional in engineering based on the applicability of that experience to professional land surveying.

(Eff. 9/30/78, Register 67; am 2/22/81, Register 81; am 8/13/87, Register 103; am 6/3/89, Register 110; am 3/16/96, Register 137; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 3/8/2001, Register 157; am 1/20/2002, Register 161; am 9/11/2004, Register 171; am 10/29/2009, Register 192; am 2/16/2012, Register 201; am 5/25/2017, Register

Commented [BWS13]: **Question:** I don't see the term "Responsible charge of professional land surveying (P.L.S.)" used in any other context or provision of 12 AAC 36 or AS 08.48. Is this initial language needed at all anymore? Or does it correspond to something that has since been repealed, and in need of removal as a conforming change?

This definition also presents other issues, such as ambiguity from the presence of an alternative definition to "responsible charge," the inclusion of a non-provision-specific definition outside of the chapter definition section, and the improper inclusion of an acronym, but resolving those issues can wait until the agency has an opportunity to address the threshold question.

Commented [SN14R13]: This change would necessitate a new reg project as it is outside the scope of the board's requested changes.

Commented [AO15R13]: "Responsible charge of professional land surveying (PLS)" is used at 12 AAC 36.065(a)(2) under the Table of education and work experience requirements for professional land surveyors. The term is widely used and understood in the industry as a required component in the steps towards becoming a professional land surveyor. The term is only used in relation to land surveyors and does not carry over to the other disciplines in these regulations, which may be the reason for the placement of the definition as it appears here. The wording and structure of .065(b) predates the current board, who have no particular knowledge of, nor have they considered, a possible re-working of this section. The board want to retain the term but would be open to any suggested alternatives to (b).

Commented [BWS16R13]: Thank you- that clarifies much! I've retained the term, but based on your explanation, incorporated

Commented [AO17R13]: This is approved

Commented [FCB18]: **Edit:** Because "responsible" is remaining the same as it appears in regulation, only "charge" needs

Commented [FCB19]: **Edit:** Removed a grammatically unnecessary comma.

Commented [BWS20]: **Question:** why isn't this requirement located in subsection (a)? If there's not a reason to keep it separate,

Commented [SN21R20]: This change would necessitate a new reg project as it is outside the scope of the board's requested

Commented [AO22R20]: As above, these regulations pre-date the current board membership, who have little to no knowledge of,

Commented [BWS23R20]: Thank you! Based on the explanation, I have incorporated additional changes to meet drafting

Commented [AO24R20]: Approved

Commented [BWS25]: **Edit:** conforming change to the organizational amendments incorporated into the subsection

Commented [AO26R25]: Approved

Commented [FCB27]: **Suggested edit:** This sentence could be corrected to remove passive voice and correct sentence tense.

Commented [SN28R27]: That's an acceptable change

Commented [BWS29R27]: Thanks- I've incorporated the same into the other recent edits to the provision.

Commented [BWS30]: **Edit:** because the language of this (new) paragraph concerns a different topic related to work

Commented [AO31R30]: Approved

Commented [BWS32]: **Question:** added language here to eliminate some ambiguity as to what "applicability" referred to.

Commented [AO33R32]: Approved

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222; am 5/5/2023, Register 246; am 4/18/2024, Register 250; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.171 AS 08.48.181

12 AAC 36.068(a)(2)(C) is amended to read:

(C) not less than 24 months of responsible charge experience in the field of landscape architecture while under the responsible charge [CONTROL] of a professional landscape architect registered in the United States; and

12 AAC 36.068(b)(1) is amended to read:

(1) while under the responsible charge [CONTROL] of a professional landscape architect registered in the United States or Canada; or

(Eff. 9/30/78, Register 67; am 2/22/81, Register 81; am 8/13/87, Register 103; am 6/3/89, Register 110; am 3/16/96, Register 137; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 3/8/2001, Register 157; am 1/20/2002, Register 161; am 9/11/2004, Register 171; am 10/29/2009, Register 192; am 2/16/2012, Register 201; am 5/25/2017, Register 222; am 5/5/2023, Register 246; am 4/18/2024, Register 250; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.171 AS 08.48.181

12 AAC 36.100(c) is amended to read:

(e) ~~Except for registration in the building systems branch of engineering, an [AN] applicant for registration as an engineer, must pass the NCEES Principles and Practices of~~

Commented [AO34]: Board changed their mind and decided to include landscape architect provisions by changing references to "responsible control" to responsible charge in 36.068 - specifically at .068(a)(2)(C) and .068(b)(1).

Commented [BWS35R34]: Looks good!

Commented [BWS36]: **Question:** the proposed change to this provision reads as though a "building systems engineer" is a unique registration type that will be subject to standards and processes unique to that registration- essentially the creation of a new registration type that would require statutory authority to accomplish. However, the regulations do not otherwise create registration eligibility or practice standards, and instead seem to incorporate the "building systems engineer" as a branch of professional engineering, similar to the many other branches located under 12 AAC 36.990(a) (e.g., electrical engineering, mining and mineral processing engineering, etc.) at 12 AAC 36.990(a)(50) of the proposed regulations.

If the board intends for the "building systems engineer" to be a new branch of professional engineering, language that indicates it is a unique registration type should be changed to clarify that it is in fact a branch of professional engineering. If the intent is to create a new registration type- the statutory authority for that new registration type should be identified and the regulations should address the other substantive requirements necessary to duly regulate that registration, such as building systems engineer application requirements, registration by comity, etc.

I'll hold off on suggesting any changes until I've gotten a better sense of the board's intent. Thanks in advance for the clarification!

Commented [SN37R36]: This is a new discipline of engineering and would be licensed under 36.105 like all of the other disciplines of engineering found in 36.990(a). The difference is that there is no specific exam for Building Systems Engineers. 36.100 specifies that they must pass the specific exam in which they are applying. The board has decided to name this branch "Building Systems engineering" (BSE) as opposed architectural engineering to avoid confusions with the profession of architecture. Because there is no exam specific to BSE the board added 36.100(h)

Commented [AO38R36]: As discussed, this is NOT a new registration type, just another professional branch of engineering. I have included a conforming change to 12 AAC 36.990(a)(17) adding "building systems engineer" to the list of branches included in the term "professional engineering".

Commented [BWS39R36]: Awesome. I've incorporated some drafting changes to the provision here as well to (1) move the exceptional language to the beginning of the subsection to better fit preferred style conventions; and (2) to replace "registration as a [building systems engineer]" with "registration in the building systems branch" for phrasing consistency with other uses of branch-specific language (see, e.g., 12 AAC 36.063).

Commented [AO40R36]: Board decided to use another term for this registration type to better correspond with the industry-wide understood term "architectural engineering". Using the term "architectural engineer" instead of "building systems engineer" negates the need to amend 36.100(c) - now removed from this project. Conforming edits made in other relevant sections of this project.

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Engineering Examination for the branch of engineering for which the applicant has applied. This subsection applies to an applicant for registration by examination and to an applicant for registration by comity.

12 AAC 36.100 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(h) ~~An applicant for registration in the building systems branch of engineering must pass the NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering Architectural Engineering Examination.~~
(Eff. 5/23/74, Register 50; am 6/3/89, Register 110; am 10/20/90, Register 116; am 3/16/96, Register 137; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 8/19/2006, Register 179; am 7/12/2008, Register 187; am 7/19/2009, Register 191; am 5/5/2023, Register 246; am 10/22/2023, Register 248; am _____/_____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: ~~AS 08.48.101~~ ~~AS 08.48.181~~ ~~AS 08.48.191~~
~~AS 08.48.171~~

12 AAC 36.145 is repealed:

12 AAC 36.145. Architectural, engineering, or surveying offices. Repealed [(a) EACH OFFICE MAINTAINED FOR THE PREPARATION OF DRAWINGS, SPECIFICATIONS, REPORTS, OR OTHER PROFESSIONAL WORK THAT WILL REQUIRE A PROFESSIONAL SEAL MUST HAVE A REGISTRANT ASSIGNED TO, AND REGULARLY EMPLOYED IN, THAT OFFICE WHO HAS DIRECT KNOWLEDGE AND SUPERVISORY CONTROL OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THAT OFFICE.

(b) WHILE A REGISTRANT IS REQUIRED, THE OFFICE NEED NOT HAVE A REGISTRANT IN EVERY DISCIPLINE OFFERED BY THAT ENTITY. A REGISTRANT IN

- Commented [BWS41]: **Note:** additional or conforming changes may be needed here, depending on agency response to the question posed at 12 AAC 36.100(c).
- Commented [SN42R41]: See above
- Commented [BWS43R41]: Like with above, I've replaced "registration as a building systems engineer" with "registration in the building systems branch [of engineering]" for phrasing consistency with other uses of branch-specific language in 12 AAC 36.
- Commented [AO44R41]: Withdrawn - no longer applicable
- Commented [BWS45]: **Edit:** changed "Practices" to "Practice" to conform to NCEES references to the exam title (see <https://ncees.org/exams/pe-exam/architectural/#:-:text=It%20is%20designed%20for%20engineers,a%20single%20day%20testing%20event>).

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AN OFFICE OF THE ENTITY MAY BE IN RESPONSIBLE CHARGE OF THE WORK DONE IN ANOTHER OFFICE FOR THE DISCIPLINE IN WHICH THEY ARE REGISTERED. TO OFFER A SERVICE, AT LEAST ONE REGISTRANT LICENSED IN THAT DISCIPLINE MUST BE REGULARLY EMPLOYED BY THE ENTITY.

(c) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,

(1) "REGULARLY EMPLOYED" MEANS IN THE OFFICE AT LEAST 20 HOURS PER WEEK;

(2) "ENTITY" MEANS A SOLE PRACTITIONER, PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY]. (Eff. 10/31/2019, Register 232; am 4/18/2024, Register 250; repealed ____/____/____, Register ____)

12 AAC 36.170 is amended to read:

12 AAC 36.170. Fees. (a) Fees [ALL FEES] under AS 08.48 and this chapter, including application, examination, registration, renewal, late renewal penalty, and continuing education extension period fees are established in 12 AAC 02.105 and 12 AAC 02.110.

(b) Late renewal penalty fees shall be assessed by January 1 of the year following the biennium period and are due prior to the registrant's renewal.

(c) Continuing education extension period fees are due at the time of the extension request. (Eff. 5/23/74, Register 50; am 9/30/78, Register 67; am 5/30/82, Register 82; am 6/29/84, Register 90; am 8/13/87, Register 103; am 10/31/2019, Register 232; am ____/____/____, Register ____)

Commented [FCB46]: **Edit:** Removed "all" from "all fees" because the sentence already implies that all fees are included.

Commented [FCB47]: **Edit:** Removed a grammatically unnecessary comma.

Commented [BWS48]: **Question:** because this amendment is establishing fee dates, AS 08.01.100 indicates that these changes cannot come from the board, and are instead appropriate as department regulations submitted with the approval of the board. Specifically, see AS 08.01.100(b): "A license subject to renewal shall be renewed on or before the date set by the department... [and] the department may impose a delayed renewal penalty (i.e., a CE extension fee), established by regulation, that shall be paid before a license that has been lapsed for more than 60 days may be renewed."

Please let me know whether the agency has an alternative statutory authority to propose that would validate this amendment, or if the amendment should be withdrawn, thank you.

Commented [SN49R48]: Withdraw from project

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~~Authority: AS 08.01.065 AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.265~~
~~AS 08.01.100~~

12 AAC 36.180(b) is amended to read:

(b) The seal authorized for use by **a professional engineer [ENGINEERS]** must be of the following design or a substantially similar electronic or digital representation of the design:

Commented [BWS50]: **Edit:** rephrased as the singular to conform text to drafting conventions.



The seal must reflect the branch of engineering two-character identifier (XX) authorized by the board; this identifier shall be placed before the registrant's license number as shown in the examples; the license number noted must be only the numeric characters of the registrant's license number and exclude alpha characters.

Branch of Engineering Identifier

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| AG – Agricultural engineer | IN – Industrial engineer |
| AE – Architectural Engineer | ME – Mechanical engineer |
| EC – Chemical engineer | MM – Metallurgical and Materials engineer |
| CE – Civil engineer | EM – Mining and Mineral Processing engineer |
| CS – Control systems engineer | NM – Naval architecture and Marine engineer |
| EE – Electrical engineer | NU – Nuclear engineer |

Commented [BWS51]: **Note:** additional or conforming changes may be needed here, depending on agency response to the question posed at 12 AAC 36.100(c).

Commented [AO52R51]: See above - no conforming changes needed.

Commented [BWS53R51]: Awesome, thanks! I made one additional change and moved the amended language up so that the alphabetical listing of the identifiers is retained.

Commented [AO54R51]: Replaced "building systems engineer" with "architectural engineer"

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EV – Environmental engineer EP – Petroleum engineer

FP – Fire protection engineer

(Eff. 5/23/74, Register 50; am 9/30/78, Register 67; am 10/20/90, Register 116; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 1/20/2002, Register 161; am 3/11/2012, Register 201; am 9/9/2016, Register 219; am 5/5/2023, Register 246; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.221

12 AAC 36.185(a)(1)(7) is amended to read:

(7) not sign or seal drawings, documents, or other professional work for which the registrant does not have **responsible charge** [DIRECT PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND DIRECT SUPERVISORY CONTROL].

12 AAC 36.185(b) is amended to read:

(b) **if a portion** [PORTIONS] of **a drawing** [DRAWINGS], **document** [DOCUMENTS], or **another** [OTHER] professional work **is** [ARE] prepared by **another** [OTHER] registered **professional** [PROFESSIONALS], a registrant may seal only that portion of the work for which the registrant has **responsible charge** [DIRECT PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND DIRECT SUPERVISORY CONTROL].

Commented [BWS55]: **Question:** I have tentatively suggested changes to subsection (b) to conform to the drafting convention requirement that nouns be phrased in the singular where appropriate. However, this provision is a good example as to why that rule is necessary- the current, plain meaning of the text requires that multiple *portions* of a professional work must be prepared by *multiple* other professionals in order for this requirement to apply. Which may indeed be the scenario this provision is intended to address. With my changes, even a single other professional affecting a single portion of a professional work will trigger this requirement. So please let me know if these changes step outside of the board's intent and I will revert- thanks!

Commented [SN56R55]: This change is acceptable

12 AAC 36.185(j) is amended to read:

(j) The registrant or the owner of **a** sealed **document** [DOCUMENTS] shall retain **the document** [THEM] and keep **it** [THEM] accessible for later reference **for not-in less than ten years following the date of substantial completion of the construction with which the sealed**

Commented [FCB57]: **Edit:** Changed "them" to "the documents" to remove a misplaced modifier.

document is associated, as described under accordance with the time period in which a person may bring an action or claim against a registrant beginning with the appropriate commencement date as set out under AS 09.10.055(a)(1), for the duration of the statute of repose as defined under AS 09.10.055.

12 AAC 36.185 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(k) A registrant may not seal a document related to work for which the registrant has responsible charge, as defined under AS 08.48.341, unless the registrant has directly participated, reviewed, observed, inspected, or managed the work to a sufficient degree that the registrant can attest to the document's accuracy, suitability, integrity, and conformance with the professional standards of the state. (Eff. 5/30/82, Register 82; am 8/29/87, Register 103; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 6/13/2003, Register 166; am 6/11/2005, Register 174; am 7/13/2011, Register 199; am 6/18/2016, Register 218; am 9/9/2016, Register 219; am 10/31/2019, Register 232; am 4/18/2024, Register 250; am ____/____/____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.111 AS 08.48.221

12 AAC 36.510(k) is amended to read:

(k) If an applicant for renewal of an architect, engineer, land surveyor, or landscape architect registration fails to meet the continuing education requirements of (c) of this section on or before December 31 of the current renewal period [BIENNIUM], the applicant may request an extension to complete the required professional development hours. This extension does not function as a license extension and the registrant cannot practice during this period. The applicant must

Commented [BWS58]: **Question:** AS 09.10.055 does not define "statute of repose" and the period of repose itself (ten years) does not begin tolling until after a fact-specific event under AS 09.10.055(a) occurs, making the period for retention under this provision ambiguous to a member of the regulated public (for example, how would a registrant or owner know when/if the "last act that allegedly caused an injury" has occurred under AS 09.10.055(a)(2)?).

Bringing specificity to this language will require having some additional insight on what it is the board is trying to accomplish. It may be possible to set the tolling for sealed doc retention to the statute of repose, but how the board envisions that working would help a lot towards some necessary drafting changes. If the agency could give me an idea on the specific intent behind this amendment, or the problem it is meant to address, that would be appreciated-thanks!

Commented [SN59R58]: Nov 2024 Board Mtg review

Commented [AO60R58]: The intention of the board is to determine how long a registrant is obligated to retain sealed documents. The statute of repose was suggested as a means by which they could easily set out this time period by reference to an already existing piece of legislation (the statute of repose). After discussing with Sara, it is clear that the board had not fully considered the various provisions of AS 09.10.055, let alone the implications that would arise should they attempt to reference the statute in applying it to the time period for retaining documents under these regulations. The board had specifically mentioned this particular statute in the motion to include a time period for the retention of documents. The impracticality, if not impossibility, of using this statute here will be explained at the upcoming board meeting in the hopes of reaching a workable alternative.

Commented [BWS61R58]: Understood, thanks for the background. I will leave this provision be until the board has an opportunity to review further.

In case it helps to mention- if the intent of the board is (or turns out to be) a desire to simply implement a time limit to the retention of the sealed docs (which is currently seemingly indefinite) for 10 years (the title of the statute of repose), that would be an easy change to

Commented [AO62R58]: The background to how this provision came about was certainly helpful to hear at the board meeting. Instead of including a definite number of years (such as 10 years) as the required time period for the retention of documents, the board want that time period to be directly linked to the this particular

Commented [BWS63R58]: That makes sense, and I think we can get this close to what the board is looking for. The only hangup remaining that I pose for consideration is that I don't think the 10-year period can be set to toll from "the last act alleged to have caused the personal injury, death, or property damage" for purposes

Commented [BWS64]: **Note:** the proposed subsection (k) is offered as a potential fix to a question posed below at 12 AAC 36.990(d). Please see that comment for additional discussion on the change.

Commented [AO65R64]: This section is approved as presented.

Commented [BWS66]: **Edit:** this language is largely new-added to introduce the topic of the requirement and to include the missing subject (the "registrant").

Commented [BWS67]: **Edit:** the language tweak here is added to clarify what the "sufficiency" is a measure of (i.e., the direct involvement in the work, not the "manage(ment) aspect alone).

Commented [BWS68]: **Edit:** language tweaks here to accord the phrasing with drafting conventions.



12 AAC 36.510(k)(3) is amended to read:

(3) complete the required professional development hours before the first January

31st of the new **renewal period** [BIENNIUM]; and

(Eff. 10/18/2007, Register 184; am 7/12/2008, Register 187; am 7/13/2011, Register 199; am

9/11/2015, Register 215; am 10/31/2019, Register 232; am 10/15/2023, Register 248)

Authority: AS 08.48.071 AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.341

12 AAC 36.520(a)(7) is amended to read:

(7) up to eight professional development hours may be credited **each renewal**

period for successfully completing **courses** [A COURSE] or **activities** [ACTIVITY] that **have**

[HAS] content areas focusing on ethics or business-related **activities** [ACTIVITY], improving a

registrant's business practice or operations, or advancing professionally related skills and

practices as applicable to the practice of the registrant;

(Eff. 10/18/2007, Register 184; am 7/12/2008, Register 187; am 7/13/2011, Register 199; am

10/15/2023, Register 248; am ____/____/____, Register ____)

Authority: AS 08.48.071 AS 08.48.101

12 AAC 36.530(b) is amended to read:

(b) A registrant is exempt from the continuing education requirements of 12 AAC 36.510

– 12 AAC 36.550 for renewal of the professional architect, engineer, land surveyor, or landscape

- Commented [BWS69]: **Question:** it looks like this should be "renewal period" so that there's not ambiguity as to where in a biennium a registrant is situated. Can the agency please confirm?
- Commented [SN70R69]: This change is acceptable
- Commented [BWS71R69]: Thanks- done! Additionally, replaced "per" with "each" to conform to drafting conventions.
- Commented [AO72R69]: Conforming edits included for 36.510(k) and .510(k)(3) to replace wording "biennium" with "renewal period". Please confirm if these are necessary? The board are trying to keep conforming language throughout - hence they added these two changes (but happy to remove if not needed).
- Commented [BWS73R69]: Nope- that's great! Thanks!

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architect registration for the biennial registration period immediately following a period of service by the registrant on active duty in the armed forces of the United States **that exceeded** [EXCEEDING] 120 [CONSECUTIVE] days within a 12-month period.

(Eff. 10/18/2007, Register 184; am 7/12/2008, Register 187; am 7/13/2011, Register 199; am 10/15/2023, Register 248; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.48.071 AS 08.48.101

12 AAC 36.990(a)(17) is amended by adding a new sub-paragraph to read:

(P) architectural engineering;

12 AAC 36.990(a)(19) is repealed:

(19) repealed ____/____/____ ["RESPONSIBLE CHARGE OF WORK IN THE FIELD" MEANS THE DIRECTION OF WORK, THE SUCCESSFUL ACCOMPLISHMENT OF WHICH RESTED UPON THE APPLICANT, WHERE THE APPLICANT HAS TO DECIDE QUESTIONS OF METHODS OF EXECUTION AND SUITABILITY OF MATERIALS WITHOUT RELYING UPON ADVICE OR INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS SUPERIORS AND WHERE THE APPLICANT HAS TO SUPPLY SOLUTIONS TO DEFICIENCIES IN PLANS OR HAS TO CORRECT ERRORS IN DESIGNS WITHOUT FIRST REFERRING THEM TO HIGHER AUTHORITY FOR APPROVAL, EXCEPT WHERE THE APPROVAL IS A MATTER OF FORM];

12 AAC 36.990(a)(20) is amended to read:

(20) "responsible charge experience"

(A) means experience gained from delivering or managing work that requires the application of technical principles, resourcefulness, or and originality to address project challenges such as

(i) changed conditions,

(ii) questions about suitability of materials;

(iii) execution of field services; or

(iv) resolution of human resource and other issues that require

at least semi-independent professional may require unique and somewhat independent decision-making;

(B) may include

(i) investigations, surveys, calculations, reports, drawings, designs, specifications, construction observation, and submittal reviews;

(ii) documentation, fieldwork, and directing support services;

(iii) interacting with and managing team members;

(iv) code and permit compliance; or

(v) engaging in public processes involvement; [AS IT

PERTAINS TO "WORK IN THE OFFICE" MEANS UNDERTAKING INVESTIGATIONS OR CARRYING OUT ASSIGNMENTS, THAT DEMAND RESOURCEFULNESS AND ORIGINALITY, OR MAKING PLANS, WRITING SPECIFICATIONS, AND DIRECTING DRAFTING AND COMPUTATIONS FOR THE DESIGN OF ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, OR LAND SURVEYING WORK WITH ONLY ROUGH SKETCHES, GENERAL INFORMATION AND FIELD MEASUREMENTS FOR

Commented [BWS74]: **Question:** what does it mean to "deliver" work? Does this have to do with creating work, disseminating work, or producing work? Or some/none/all of the above? At present, it reads as though someone can garner responsible charge experience by creating work that necessitates the necessary application criteria of others.

Commented [SN75R74]: This is standard industry language and will be understood by all registrants and/or applicants

Commented [AO76R74]: The wording here is the culmination of lengthy and detailed discussions between board members at various stages (committees, sub committees, staff discussion, and full board meetings) over the past 2-3 years (maybe longer). It was carefully crafted to capture each and every use of the term as it applies across the various disciplines. The individual words such as "delivering" "managing work" etc are included here after full and extensive deliberations by the board to set out what practices, tasks, actions, duties performed by a registrant will be considered as "responsible charge experience". The actions themselves are the "experience".

SO, for example the action of delivering original work (such as an investigation, a survey, a calculation, a report, a design, a specification, a construction observation, or a submittal review) that

Commented [BWS77R74]: That helps, thank you. While

Commented [AO78R74]: Board have accepted the changes

Commented [BWS79]: **Question:** the operative verbs here do

Commented [SN80R79]: This is standard industry language

Commented [AO81R79]: See above

Commented [BWS82]: **Edit:** added a missing article

Commented [BWS83]: **Question:** while I do see it present in

Commented [SN84R83]: This is standard industry language

Commented [AO85R83]: As stated above the terms were

Commented [BWS86R83]: I could potentially offer some

Commented [AO87R83]: Board confirmed the intent is that

Commented [BWS88]: **Edit:** replaced "may encounter" with

Commented [BWS89]: **Question:** removed the reference to

Commented [AO90R89]: Board agreed with the removal of

Commented [BWS91]: **Edit:** changed "and" to "or" as a

Commented [BWS92]: **Question:** to ensure I have an accurate

Commented [BWS93]: **Questions:**

Commented [SN94R93]: Nov 2024 Board Mtg review

Commented [AO95R93]: Any suggested alternate options to

Commented [BWS96R93]: Sure thing- I recommend cutting

Commented [AO97R93]: Board approve of your suggested

Commented [FCB98]: **Edit:** Changed "this may include" to

Commented [BWS99]: **Question:** to ensure I understand the

Commented [AO100R99]: A submittal review is industry

Commented [BWS101R99]: Appreciate the response and

Commented [BWS102]: **Question:** the inclusion of the "and"

Commented [SN103R102]: This is standard industry

Commented [AO104R102]: Please remove the wayward

Commented [BWS105R102]: Thanks! Since my updated

Commented [AO106R102]: Board liked the suggestion of

REFERENCE];

12 AAC 36.990(a)(30) is repealed:

(30) repealed _____ / _____ / _____ [“RESPONSIBLE CONTROL” MEANS THAT AMOUNT OF CONTROL OVER AND DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONTENT OF TECHNICAL SUBMISSIONS DURING THEIR PREPARATION AS IS ORDINARILY EXERCISED BY REGISTERED ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS APPLYING THE REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL STANDARD OF CARE]

12 AAC 36.990(a)(30) is amended to read:

_____ (30) “responsible control” means **the [THAT]** amount of control over and detailed knowledge of the content of **a technical submission [SUBMISSIONS]** during **its [THEIR]** preparation as is **[ORDINARILY]** exercised by **a registered [ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND] landscape architect [ARCHITECTS]** applying the required professional standard of care;

12 AAC 36.990(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(50) "**building systems architectural** engineering" means the branch of professional engineering that embraces studies and activities relating to the integration of building systems, including **electrical engineering** systems, **mechanical engineering** systems, and **structural engineering** systems for buildings and the **project management** of the design and construction of those systems.

Commented [BWS107]: **Edit:** article correction for grammar consistency.

Commented [BWS108]: **Edit:** changes here to replace use of plural grammar with singular, per drafting conventions.

Commented [BWS109]: **Edit:** removed “ordinarily” as superfluous/redundant of “the required... standard of care” at the end of the provision.

Commented [BWS110]: **Edit:** removal of other registration types is a conforming change to other amendments in these regulations to remove “responsible control” for all but landscape architects (see *Question comment bubble and replies at 12 AAC 36.063(c)(1)*).

Commented [AO111R110]: Landscape architects will now use “responsible charge” in the same manner as other professions. 12 AAC 36.990(a)(30) is set for repeal accordingly.

Commented [BWS112]: **Edit:** changes here to replace use of plural grammar with singular, per drafting conventions.

Commented [BWS113]: **Question:** the nature of the overlap between building systems engineering and the other identified branches of engineering is unique and potentially ambiguous. Other branches of engineering are not defined other branches of engineering as far as I see, making the proposed definition an exception. To be clear- is a building systems engineer branch registrant expected to have experience/certification in the identified branches? Or is the intent to direct the reader to the definitions for the branches identified here for those lists of more specific studies/activities?

Commented [SN114R113]: Yes, all branches of engineering are defined in 36.990. This definition was pulled the NCEES definition – national standard /definition for building systems engineering (architectural engineering).

Commented [BWS115R113]: My note about the other branches may not have been clear, sorry- I meant that this definition is unique amongst the defined engineering branch definitions under 36.990. This is the only engineering branch definition I see that specifically integrates other defined branches of engineering into itself (i.e., through the use of “electrical engineering systems, mechanical engineering systems, and structural engineering systems”).

I am trying to understand why that was done for this particular branch definition, and not the others (instead of, for example,

Commented [AO116R113]: Removed references to “engineering” in the definition in accordance with the NCEES examination areas for testing - see comment below.

Commented [BWS117R113]: Yep- that does it. I didn’t expect such a silver bullet edit. Thanks!

Commented [BWS118]: **Question:** just to double-check- can the agency confirm is that the “management” aspect of building systems engineering apply only to a “project”? I ask because a

Commented [SN119R118]: This definition was pulled the NCEES definition – national standard /definition for building systems engineering (architectural engineering).

Commented [BWS120R118]: Understood. If you could point me to a link or other resource where I can review that definition so I can see how NCEES uses it, that would be very appreciated!

Commented [AO121R118]: No longer using the term “building systems engineer” - revised to the more widely understood and accepted term “architectural engineer”.

Commented [AO122R118]: <https://ncees.org/exams/pe-exam/architectural/> a link to the NCEES page for the architectural engineering exam and <https://ncees.org/wp->

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Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.181 AS 08.48.331
AS 08.48.171 AS 08.48.191

12 AAC 36.990 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(d) For the purposes of AS 08.48.341(21), "responsible charge" "direct control" and "personal supervision of work" means that the registrant who seals the document has directly participated, reviewed, observed, inspected, or managed the work sufficiently to attest to its accuracy, suitability, integrity, and conformance with professional standards normally practiced in Alaska. (Eff. 5/23/74, Register 50; am 9/30/78, Register 67; am 6/29/84, Register 90; am 8/29/87, Register 103; am 10/20/90, Register 116; am 3/16/96, Register 137; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 3/9/2001, Register 157; am 1/26/2012, Register 201; am 3/11/2012, Register 201; am 10/4/2015, Register 216; am 9/9/2016, Register 219; am 5/25/2017, Register 222; am 5/5/2023, Register 246; am 10/22/2023, Register 248; am 4/17/2024, Register 250; am 4/18/2024, Register 250; am _____ / _____ / _____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.181 AS 08.48.331

Commented [FCB123]: **NOTE:** This history note is missing from the bound copy of the AAC and from FOLIO but is correct. 2023200404 was filed and effective 4/18/24 in Reg. 250.

Commented [BWS124]: **Questions:**
(1) This amendment sets out a substantive requirement, which makes the definitions section an inappropriate place to locate it- does the agency have a proposed place for relocation? The provision may also need to be rephrased so that it does not resemble a definition, but that will depend on if aspects of this provision need to remain in definition form or not, which leads to another question...
(2) AS 08.48.341(21) defines "professional land surveyor". Is the intent to clarify that for a professional land surveyor, the identified terms take on a different or more specific meaning than the general meaning for these terms elsewhere? If so, that may also be a helpful hint for where this provision should be relocated. I'll await the agency's feedback before proposing any suggested changes- thanks!

Commented [SN125R124]: 08.48.341 (21) is "responsible charge"
Alison will explain the situation

Commented [AO126R124]: Any suggested places for relocating this are welcomed. The purpose of this "definition" is to elaborate on the definition of "responsible charge" under AS 08.48.341(24) - (24) "responsible charge" means the direct control and personal supervision of work".

The board want to define what is meant by "direct control and personal supervision of work" as it applies across the chapter wherever the term "responsible charge" arises. This has no bearing on the definition of "responsible charge experience" which is defined under .990(a)(20), which is not being revised.

If you have any suggested options they would be very helpful to present to the board when they consider how to revise this provision.

Commented [BWS127R124]: Absolutely- I have proposed relocation, rephrasing, and additional edits to the proposed provision at 12 AAC 36.185, above. The proposed amendment is now set out as a new subsection (k) to .185 and includes comments that explain additional internal edits.

I've left this provision here (with the strike-out) to retain this piece of the review process discussion, in case additional changes to my suggested fix at .185 are needed. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Commented [AO128R124]: Approved

Commented [FCB129]: **Question:** Should this entire term be included in the quotation marks?

Commented [SN130R129]: No

Commented [FCB131]: **NOTE:** This history note is missing from the bound copy of the AAC and from FOLIO but is correct. 2023200404 was filed and effective 4/18/24 in Reg. 250.

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AELS STAFF REPORT ON INQUIRIES REVEALING POTENTIAL PRACTICE WITHOUT A LICENSE

Initial Application Date:	Notified Staff they have a Bid & Need License Date:	Notes:	Date Licensed:
3/11/2024	4/5/2024		6/4/2024
1/29/2024 (Firm)	5/31/2024		6/6/2024
No Application Received	7/22/2024	DNQ-Went to Board	
9/16/2024	1/22/2025		
11/22/2024	12/4/2024		1/8/2025
No Application Received	1/21/2025		
3/5/2025	11/25/2024	In Process-May BM	

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This report does not indicate that any investigation or referral to investigations has or has not occurred.

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Excerpt from August 2011 AELS Meeting Minutes

1 Alaska?

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3 Rearick: Doesn't think we want to go too deep into it and pick apart their structural analysis.
4 We would want to see that they practiced in that field in a detailed enough level without
5 breaking apart their calculations.

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7 Walsh: Agrees concerning structural but thinks other branches such as environmental arctic
8 experience would be more critical.

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10 Eriksen: Points out that not all engineers practice in an arctic environment. He uses SE
11 Alaska as an example.

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13 Fredeen: Points out that the people that review the NCEES exams don't have arctic
14 experience and maybe we should look at it from the viewpoint of can they pass the exam.

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16 Walsh: Adds that we may be dealing with older licensees that licensed before the arctic
17 course requirement.

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19 Chair: Explains that the early licensees could take a course or write a treatise. He thinks
20 that the treatise was done away with around 1980. He adds that regarding someone
21 outside not having arctic training a mechanical engineer will get the same training as an
22 environmental engineer will and he feels that if the person is competent in the field their
23 reviewing he doesn't think the arctic is that important.

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25 Baker: Supports the comments of Fredeen.

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27 Chair: Asks if the letter has been responded to?

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29 Heieren: Responded that he said he would bring it to the Board.

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31 Chair: So I will respond to this.

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33 There was a short discussion on the number of engineers willing to review.

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35 Fredeen: Asks if this is something we can send to NCEES asking for third party reviewers?

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37 Heieren: Suggests that the question could be put to them at the annual in R.I.

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39 Hanson: Volunteers to talk to folks at an exam committee meeting he will be attending soon
40 but thinks it should be brought up at the annual meeting as well.

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42 **C) Annual Report**

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44 Jones: Reports that he updated the regulations projects and added the Statute changes.
45 He explains how he came up with the figure for the desired travel budget.

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47 Walsh: Suggests that the attendance sheet be updated to add the number of attendees the
48 board had suggested for each meeting.

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50 John Savage joins the meeting.

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52 **A) Prefab buildings and stamping requirements.**

53 Chair: We will interrupt this discussion and go back to 11 A), prefab buildings stamping
54 requirements.

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2 Savage: Savage explains that the issue is pre-manufactured steel buildings and he
3 presently has an open case so he can't say too much about it but the jest of it is that they
4 have hired a law firm and he believes that they are afraid of all the taxes that may be levied
5 against them if they have to be licensed in every state so they are being very cautious about
6 getting licenses. He explains that their building comes as engineered and sealed by an
7 Alaska engineer but the corporation is not licensed in the State. He adds that they have a
8 disclaimer that he received with their rebuttal that basically says you the purchaser are
9 responsible for all your own engineering. He says that this has been handled in many
10 fashions over the years depending on what it is going to be used for. He adds that some
11 days he can deal with this very well and other days he is so busy he has trouble
12 remembering how he handled the last one and asks the Board to discuss and come up with
13 a policy.

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15 Brownfield: Believes that there should be one standard for all out of state companies that
16 do business in Alaska. He further states that there can't be one set of guidelines for in state
17 companies and another for out of state companies, it has to be a level playing field. He
18 thinks a key issue is if the out of state firm has on their staff an Alaska registered engineer
19 who designs and stamps the plans and calculations then they're doing business in the State
20 of Alaska and need to be licensed. The engineer has to follow Alaska rules therefore the
21 corporation needs to follow them also.

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23 Savage: Interjects that at times these corporations are getting bad information from the
24 Corporations Section in our Division by telling them if they aren't entering the state they
25 don't have to have a Corporate Certificate of Authority or a Business License. People have
26 called me back and said you can do what you want, your boss in Juneau is telling me I don't
27 have to do any of this.

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29 Brownfield: Responds that that is a function of the Board and they shouldn't be making
30 those decisions.

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32 Baker: States that the Statutes and Regulations are very clear on this and this.

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34 Savage: Adds that in discussions with the company, they asked what they could do to fix
35 this and he responded that they could get licensed or sell their produce without any
36 engineering and it would be on the purchaser period. He asks if anyone sees a problem
37 with that?

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39 Rearick: Responds, that he does and that it is a complex and broad issue. We are talking
40 about corporate individual licensing and use and we're talking about components of a
41 structure verses an entire structure and about pre-engineered that's going to be erected on
42 site and about pre-engineered that's going to be shipped up modular. And how the different
43 engineers think that can be done. He then gives an example of a generator that is ordered
44 and then arrives with its own structure. He then goes into snow loads and wind loads and
45 that the products are being sold with the research that needs to be done. He adds that if
46 taken to an engineer in Alaska for re-stamping they aren't going to re-engineer it since it
47 already has an Alaska stamp on it they are going to review it. It's not their stamp on it, it's
48 the pre-engineered guy's stamp on it and it's not realistic to think that they would re-
49 engineer it because the stack of calculations on a pre-engineered building is going to be
50 huge. So the company and individual that is providing that product needs to do the
51 engineering on it unless they are just purely doing a conceptual sketch. When an owner
52 buys one of those packages they think they are getting a fully engineered building and they
53 also think they are getting a fully engineered building from the standpoint of all the other
54 disciplines. Then they get the shell on site and the next thing you know they are building

1 mezzanine's they're building offices. There could be churches or daycares in this without
2 any re-engineering or without any consideration on how this affects that metal structure. I
3 agree with Brownfield, if you're doing business in Alaska, you're doing business in Alaska,
4 you need the corporate license, you need the seal and if they're doing pre-engineered
5 buildings or modular buildings without that stamp they're practicing without a license.
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7 Hanson: Adds that there are companies providing trusses that are for residential so they
8 are exempt however they are putting their stamp on it so they are not exempt. He then
9 explains that the primary business of some of these companies is not engineering that it is a
10 bi-product of what they are doing and that it is a tough call because we are here to protect
11 the health, safety and welfare of the public.
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13 Eriksen: Agrees with Brownfield that it needs to be a level playing field and agrees with
14 Richard that it is a complex problem. He adds that people are trying to build buildings that
15 are affordable and asks if we are saying that we don't want prefab buildings period or that
16 each building has to be engineered uniquely or that it has a site adaptation done by another
17 engineer?
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19 Rearick: Responds that we are not trying to prohibit them but if they are engineering it, they
20 are responsible for it, they are engineering it for the site, not as a component that has no site
21 or using criteria that doesn't apply to that site. We can't rely on a secondary engineer to
22 adapt their building to that because it is complex software it goes into to spit out those
23 shapes and connections etc. The secondary engineer can review it to see if they
24 considered all factors but ultimately it's their responsibility and a lot of times there is not a
25 secondary engineer they are working directly with an owner.
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27 Eriksen: So you're saying at the point of sale the purchaser has to say where the building is
28 going and that all the site adaptation meets the requirement of that specific sale?
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30 Rearick: Yes.
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32 Savage: This Company is saying they are not doing that.
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34 Brownfield: Thinks it boils down to something clean and clear. If an Alaska engineer
35 stamps it they are doing engineering in Alaska and need to be properly licensed. If they
36 don't want to be licensed then don't have the engineer stamp it then whoever buys it is
37 responsible to get an engineer to look at it and do all the engineering and site adaptation.
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39 Hanson: Has done prefab buildings for DOT and agrees with Rearick that the calculations
40 were checked and snow load is right, the wind load is right and seismic is right yes the
41 calculations make sense and you check a few of the calculations and say yes they are right.
42 But they are site adapted by an Alaska PE and all the calculations are stamped that way
43 and we as the engineer say yes, the submittal meets the specification that we have
44 identified. He thinks the company will claim an industrial exemption, that they are providing
45 an engineered product to a client to meet their needs. The client provides the specifications
46 and we are providing them an engineered product for what they have asked for and it's up to
47 the client regarding what they want to do with that product.
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49 Heieren: Thinks that it's the engineer signing the drawings that should be taken to task for
50 an incomplete product rather than the corporation.
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52 Brownfield: If they do anything that requires a stamp even if it's short of the complete
53 project they are a corporation that needs to be licensed. Then when it comes into the State
54 another engineers has to do the rest of the project. One engineer doesn't do it all.

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2 Heieren: Responds that his point was missed. It is the individual that has produced an
3 incomplete product because he didn't take into account the site conditions that should be
4 held accountable not the corporation.

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6 Hanson: Doesn't think that was the case here. The question is whether the corporation is
7 offering engineering services here. He then gives another example that he was involved in
8 and ends it by saying do we require that building supplier company to be licensed as an
9 engineering firm because they provide a product to contractors? It's that slippery slope,
10 where do we stop on the corporate registration and individual registration?

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12 Fredeen: Cites 12 AAC 36.232 that defines offer to practice and ties in with AA 08.48
13 regarding if you offer to practice you have to have a corporate license. He didn't see
14 anything that specifically covered what we are talking about. His understanding of what the
15 discussion is about is that if you're stamping something you have to have a corporate
16 license.

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18 Brownfield: Reiterates that if an employee of the firm stamps a produce that comes into the
19 State they have to have a license because they are offering engineering in Alaska.

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21 Fredeen: We need to simplify it by saying if you're stamping something in the State of
22 Alaska you need this umbrella corporate license for liability purposes. We could do
23 something in the seals regulation.

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25 Chair: Thinks we are off track and mentions sole proprietors. It's a corporation doing
26 business in Alaska, we can almost forget about the stamp. He explains that the engineer is
27 responsible for the building but can get the design requirements from the IBC, wind load,
28 seismic, he doesn't have to be up here to do that he takes it right out of a code book.
29 Frankly an engineer outside that company can't do it because they don't know any of the
30 properties of these members, that's all established by the firm. He repeats that he doesn't
31 think that's the issue, it's the corporation doing business here and apparently they are.

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33 Jones: Explains that it's not necessarily the fault of the Corporations Section or Business
34 Licensing section that companies are told they don't need a license. That quite often the
35 corporations call and give incomplete information so they in turn receive incomplete or bad
36 responses. He has asked both sections to refer all engineering firms to him but they don't
37 always state that they are doing engineering. They sometimes leave out critical bits of
38 information because they are trying to get around being licensed. And often if they don't like
39 the answer they get from me they will call Alicia and ask her.

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41 Eriksen: Notes that what Savage is asking for is what the Statutes support and what the
42 Board supports.

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44 Savage: The company's response was we are not offering engineering and I prefaced this
45 with sometimes it's so easy to get wrapped around the axle and that's what's happening
46 here. The question here is are they offering engineering in the State of Alaska to the degree
47 that they need corporate registration? That's where we need to keep our emphasis because
48 I need to pick it up from here.

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50 Chair: They have offered engineering.

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52 Savage: Thinks that with the sole proprietor thing that some companies will let their
53 engineer go and tell him to get his business license and they sub all this business to him.

1 Rearick: Suggests that considering what Jones said about callers giving partial information
2 to get a certain response my answer to that is we go with what the regulation says. I don't
3 care what they told them, what's the regulation say and go after them on that basis.
4 Regarding what Richard was saying, that we go after the individual, I agree with that but it's
5 a practical matter, John is not going to see the majority of those. Regarding the issue of
6 whether it's a component or a structure or modular, they have been engineered together as
7 a unit. If it's a module it is engineered for a specific location and if it is moved it needs to be
8 checked by an engineer to see if it's engineered for the new location before it's occupied.
9 He doesn't agree that they could sub to a sole proprietor. They are using a consultant but
10 they are still providing engineering by the fact they are providing an engineered structure.

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12 The discussion continued reiterating the same arguments.

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14 Heieren: Asks Savage if a motion would help him.

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16 Savage: Responds that it would be a big help to have something in writing to address this
17 situation that he could forward to this company. He adds that he hasn't seen a prefab
18 building that was engineered for a specific location and asks if anyone else has.

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20 Rearick: Explains how his firm does it and that for the permitting process you need to know
21 how your pre-engineered building will react to the foundation.

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23 Savage: Points out that most of the time that is not done. Someone gets one for their back
24 yard and none of that is considered.

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26 Rearick: Agrees that that happens a lot out in the villages. Someone buys a \$40,000
27 building not realizing that they will need an additional \$500,000 of development to make it a
28 real building.

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30 Shies: Asks what other States are doing?

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32 Brownfield: Was going to bring that up and suggests that most of the other states have the
33 same requirements as we do and would be surprised if there was any difference. AS
34 08.48.241 is clear on that and if we want to change anything it will need a Statute change.

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36 Savage: Asks Jones to ask the other States on the listserv.

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38 Chair: Reiterates that he feels it is not an engineering problem it's a corporate licensing
39 problem and that maybe the AG should make the call.

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41 Savage: Feels it would be faster to see what the other States are doing.

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43 Jones: Points out that not all States require corporate registration.

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45 Rearick: Notes that it doesn't cost that much for a corporate registration.

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47 Savage: Again points out that it isn't the cost of the license that is the problem it's the tax
48 liability after they are licensed that is the problem. That is what they fear.

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50 Chair: If we go forward we should do it based on our Statutes because evidently there are
51 some other conflicting statutes.

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53 Jones: Most of the time they come to me but sometimes they ask the question designed to
54 get the answer they want.

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2 **On a motion duly made by Heieren, seconded by Rearick it was**

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4 **Resolved that corporation selling or offering to sell pre-engineered buildings shall be**
5 **considered offering professional services in the State of Alaska per 08.48.241 and 12**
6 **AAC 36.232 and are required to be registered as a professional corporation in the**
7 **State.**

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9 Warren: Understands that there are some conflicts with our Division and suggests that the
10 Board send a letter to the Division telling them this is what our criteria is this is what we want
11 Corporations and Business Licensing to pay attention to.

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13 Heieren: Asks to withdraw his motion until tomorrow.

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15 Chair: Yes, let's move it to tomorrow.

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17 Hanson: Asks for a 5 min break.

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19 Chair: Be back at 10 till.

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21 10:45 – 10:53 Break.

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23 10:53 back on record.

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25 Shiesl: Notes that several Board Members terms will end next year.

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27 Jones: Informs the Board that several people have applied to Boards and Commissions and
28 if they know anyone interested they should get their applications in now.

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30 The discussion returns to the Annual Report.

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32 Walsh: Thinks this is another avenue to emphasize our budget for travel. Under human
33 resources we should put another bullet there to emphasize travel to NCEES, NCARB,
34 CLARB etc.

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36 Fredeen: Suggests that under that same section we should add an investigator.

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38 **D) New requirement for regulation projects.**

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40 Chair: Asks if this is a new process.

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42 Jones: Explains that it is new and is designed to keep upper management in the State
43 Government from being surprised by irate citizens regarding regulation changes.

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45 **E) Location of meetings.**

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47 Baker: Recaps previous Board thinking that if we had all meetings in Anchorage and saved
48 travel funds we could use those funds for out of State travel. He feels that if we don't use
49 those funds we will lose them and that we got good input from the folks in Fairbanks and we
50 should return to having one meeting a year there.

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52 Lent: Suggests Wasilla should be considered also.

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54 A short discussion followed on the costs of meetings in the various locations. It costs



AFTERNOON BREAK

APPLICANT REVIEW

- A. ALI EL EZZY
- B. JOSHUA FLOCK
- C. RICARDO CASTANO
- D. SAM GRASSO
- E. ADEL POURSHARIF
- F. MICHAEL CANDLER
- G. CAROL QING LI-NO
- H. JAMES VAN HORNE
- I. JUSTIN RISLEY
- J. PHYLICIA CICILIO

ALI EL EZZY

Applicant has applied through the UK MRA on March 14, 2025. Application is forwarded to full board review.

From: [Neal, Sara J \(CED\)](#)
To: [Council Relations](#)
Subject: RE: RESPONSE REQUESTED: NCARB MRA with UK Request
Date: Tuesday, October 4, 2022 9:25:00 AM

Hello,

The Alaska Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors will accept applicants through NCARB's new MRA with the UK provided they complete the Alaska requirement of the Cold Regions Design course (formerly referred to as the Arctic Course) and the Jurisprudence Questionnaire.

Best regards,

Sara Neal

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Hello Member Board Executive,

As you may know, the NCARB membership recently ratified a Mutual Recognition Agreement with the United Kingdom's Architects Registration Board (ARB) at the annual business meeting in Austin: <https://www.ncarb.org/press/united-states-and-united-kingdom-ratify-reciprocity-agreement-architects>

This is a friendly reminder to notify us if your Board will accept applicants through this new MRA with the U.K. Your Board currently accepts applicants through one of the existing MRAs and we want to make sure to provide candidates and applicants with the

accurate reflection of the Board's position.

NCARB and the ARB hope to implement the MRA in early 2023. Once implemented, Member Boards will be able to grant licensure to NCARB Certificate holders from the U.K. who were certified through the requirements of this MRA. To streamline implementation and ease the burden of participation on Member Boards, this MRA does not require participating Member Boards to sign a Letter of Undertaking and become party to the MRA, as has been required with other MRAs.

Please respond to this email no later than October 31, 2022 indicating whether your Member Board plans to accept applicants through the MRA with the U.K.

For questions, please reach out to Council Relations at council-relations@ncarb.org.


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Recent trade discussions between U.S. President Joe Biden and U.K. Prime Minister Rishi Sunak have resulted in the signing of the [Atlantic Declaration for a Twenty-First Century U.S.-UK Economic Partnership](#) , which includes efforts to improve mutual recognition in areas that include engineering.

As a result, the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying and the Engineering Council in the United Kingdom are beginning work to develop a mutual recognition agreement that will provide a more direct path for licensed engineers to practice in each country. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

The full text of the announcement is available [here](#) .

The Atlantic Declaration: A Framework for a Twenty-First Century U.S.-UK Economic Partnership

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Today the United States and the United Kingdom are announcing the Atlantic Declaration for a Twenty-First Century U.S.-UK Economic Partnership to ensure that our unique alliance is adapted, reinforced, and reimagined for the challenges of this moment.

Over the last century, the essential partnership between the United States and the United Kingdom has enabled us to lead together on issues of global importance. Since the signing of the Atlantic Charter in 1941, we have worked together to shape an open and rules-based international order based on our enduring support for shared values. In the New Atlantic Charter signed in 2021, we underscored and refreshed this vision. Together, we also designed an international economic architecture that has underpinned our economic strength and helped to lift millions around the world out of poverty. Our essential bilateral relationship is underpinned by the closest cooperation on defense and security, a thriving economic relationship, leadership in science and technology, and deep ties between our people and civil societies.

U.S.-UK cooperation and joint leadership is as essential today as ever – both internationally and for the security and prosperity of our people at home. To achieve this, we must keep pace with changes in the world around us and adapt our alliance to them. The global economy is undergoing one of the greatest transformations since the Industrial Revolution. Breakthroughs in innovation offer enormous potential if we can harness them to work for, not against, our democracies and security. The transition to the clean energy economies of the future is an opportunity to improve jobs and livelihoods and deepen the resilience of our economies. At the same time, the nature of national security is changing. Technology, economics, and national security are more deeply intertwined than ever before. We face new challenges to international stability – from authoritarian states such as Russia and the People’s Republic of China (PRC); disruptive technologies; non-state actors; and transnational challenges like climate change.

Over the past year, we have taken steps to deepen our unrivalled defense, security, and intelligence relationship across every theater in the globe in which we cooperate, recognizing the indivisibility of security in the Euro-Atlantic and the Indo-Pacific and other regions. We have energized our traditional alliances and built new and innovative partnerships based on deeper cooperation on technology, trade, and security. We have stood shoulder to shoulder in our resolve to support Ukraine for as long as it takes in the face of Russia’s illegal, unjustifiable, and unprovoked war of aggression and to preserve a free, independent, and sovereign Ukraine. We are committed to continuing to strengthen NATO’s ability to deter further attempts to undermine Alliance security, in support of NATO’s new Strategic Concept.

We have taken significant steps to implement AUKUS, including announcing our plans to support Australia acquiring conventionally armed, nuclear-powered submarines. Through our deeper engagement in the Indo-Pacific we are working more closely than ever before with our partners to support a free and open region. Through the U.S.-UK Indo-Pacific Dialogue we will continue to find new opportunities to coordinate our approaches, to support ASEAN and ASEAN centrality, to partner with the Pacific Islands, to coordinate on economic and technological advancement, and to contribute to regional peace and stability, including through AUKUS and expanded joint exercises and planning, including trilaterally.

Today, we are announcing the Atlantic Declaration for a Twenty-First Century U.S.-UK Economic Partnership to build on that partnership in the economic sphere. The United States and the United Kingdom resolve to partner to build resilient, diversified, and secure supply chains and reduce strategic dependencies. We remain committed to continuing to lead in the technologies of the future and advance the closest possible coordination on our economic security and technology protection toolkits to ensure that emerging technologies work for, not against, our democracies and security.

And as democratic and open societies we resolve to work together to ensure the safety, prosperity, and security of our nations and peoples while driving growth in living standards across the world.

The Atlantic Declaration and accompanying Action Plan form the basis of a new type of innovative partnership across the full spectrum of our economic, technological, commercial and trade relations; a first of its kind, and which demands our joint leadership and imagination to realize in full.

It will constitute a new economic security framework covering ever-closer cooperation on critical and emerging technologies and stronger protective toolkits. It will support the United States and the United Kingdom in our efforts to harness the energy transition and technological breakthroughs to drive broadly shared growth, create good jobs, and leave no community behind. It will explore ways to deepen our trade and investment relationship. And it will strengthen our alliance across defense, science, health security, and space – allowing us to explore increased cooperation in other areas for mutual economic benefit.

These are the pressing economic issues of our time. These are the issues that demand the United States and the United Kingdom to lead together.

Action Plan for a Twenty-First Century U.S.-UK Economic Partnership (ADAPT)

Deep economic ties between the United States and the United Kingdom have long been a source of mutual strength. The U.S.-UK bilateral investment relationship is the largest in the world, with over \$1.5 trillion in stock supporting more than 2.7 million jobs in both countries. As we evolve our unparalleled economic relationship to reflect today's challenges, we have an opportunity to exemplify what a twenty-first century economic partnership should look like. Together the United States and the United Kingdom can lead in building a new form of economic partnership that advances economic growth and competitiveness, that builds capacity, resilience, and inclusiveness, and works for our workers and communities; works for our businesses; works for our climate; and works for our national security.

As the first steps in this new partnership, we are today announcing and taking concrete and coordinated actions to deepen this partnership across five pillars, by:

- ensuring U.S.-UK leadership in critical and emerging technologies,
- advancing ever-closer cooperation on our economic security and technology protection toolkits and supply chains,
- partnering on an inclusive and responsible digital transformation,
- building the clean energy economy of the future, and
- further strengthening our alliance across defense, health security, and space.

Senior White House and Downing Street representatives will convene biannually under the Atlantic Declaration Action Plan (ADAPT) to develop and drive forward concrete progress across the Atlantic Declaration Action Plan and ensure increasing ambition over the next months and years.

1. Ensuring U.S.-UK Leadership in Critical and Emerging Technologies

A handful of critical and emerging technologies are forming the backbone of new industries and shaping our national security landscape. These technologies include semiconductors, quantum technologies, artificial intelligence, cutting-edge telecommunications, and synthetic biology. As the home of world-leading companies and academic institutions, we are committed to ensuring the United States and the United Kingdom continue to lead across these sectors. We intend to do so by collaborating on tangible research and development joint efforts, deepening public-private dialogue across our priority technologies, jointly mobilizing private capital towards strategic technologies and by improving reciprocal talent flows. These long term initiatives are the initial steps in a long-term partnership and will fall under existing U.S.-UK frameworks, including the U.S.-UK Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation, the U.S.-UK Comprehensive Dialogue on Technology and Data, and additional forums as applicable, through which we will develop and deliver a shared workplan on critical and emerging technologies, to be updated and taken forward within the next twelve months.

- **Launching collaborative work on priority technologies.** We intend to explore joint efforts and collaborative R&D in a range of critical and emerging technologies and pursue a set of initial activities, including the following:
 - Pursuing a range of **quantum technologies initiatives** to address fundamental research questions in quantum science and other initiatives to reduce barriers to U.S.-UK collaboration, such as increasing researcher and student mobility, and exploring workforce development activities to foster the exchange of people and ideas.
 - Cementing leadership by the United States and the United Kingdom in **cutting-edge telecoms** by setting out a joint vision, taking forward joint R&D projects, and deepening cooperation on technical activity in innovative 5G and 6G solutions, including more ambitious cooperation to accelerate Open RAN to market, and to increase the diversity and resilience of critical supply chains.
 - Deepening cooperation on **synthetic biology** with a view to concluding a joint workplan to drive public and private cooperation, exchanges, and joint research, developing novel applications and promoting our economic security through improved supply chain pathways for biomanufacturing and biotechnologies.
 - Exploring collaborative R&D in areas that support advanced **semiconductor** technologies, such as advanced materials and compound semiconductors, beginning in the next twelve months, and facilitating collaboration among our national research institutes.
 - Accelerating our cooperation on **AI** with a focus on ensuring the safe and responsible development of the technology.
- **Mobilizing private capital towards strategic technologies.** We intend to support the growth of companies in both countries across these critical and emerging technologies. We intend to work together to crowd in private capital to ensure companies in these areas have the ability to emerge and scale. To this end, we commit to set up a U.S.-UK Strategic Technologies Investor Council within the next twelve months. We will use this newly formed Council to bring leading investors from both sides of the Atlantic together with national security experts to analyze where funding gaps currently exist and unlock new private investment in critical and emerging technologies.
- **Facilitating reciprocal talent flows.** We recognize the need for a skilled workforce across our technology sectors. As part of meeting this objective, we leverage expertise from across the public sector, industry, and academia to advise on how we best improve U.S.-UK reciprocal talent flows. The United States welcomes funding from the United Kingdom for expansion of Marshall and Fulbright scholarships focused on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics subjects, to deepen the wider exchange of talent between our two countries.

2. Advancing Ever Closer Cooperation on Technology Protection, Economic Security Toolkits and Supply Chains

Many of our technology protection tools were designed for a different time, a different set of threats, and a different set of technologies. We recognize that our current regulatory frameworks related to export controls, investment screening, sanctions, and research and development security are essential tools that should correspond to a changing geostrategic and technological environment. We intend to take concrete steps to update and more closely align our respective toolkits across all these areas to prevent the leakage of sensitive and dual-use emerging technologies, and other export-controlled commodities and technologies. We will work to enhance our information-sharing mechanisms on threat information with relevant stakeholders in the policy and intelligence communities, including deepening our cooperation on investment security.

- **Addressing the national security risks posed by certain types of outbound investment.** As allies with a close and long-standing defense partnership, and as global leaders in critical and emerging technologies, we have a shared objective in preventing our companies' capital and expertise from fueling technological advances that will enhance the military and intelligence capabilities of countries of concern. We are taking steps to ensure that our respective toolkits are adequate to meet our shared objective. The United States is working to develop a targeted set of controls on outbound investments in sensitive technologies with a core national security nexus. The United Kingdom intends to complement this by swiftly engaging a range of business and financial stakeholders to develop an evidence base to assess and inform how the UK can best calibrate its actions to respond effectively to these risks and meet our shared objective. As we act according to our own respective timelines, we will

communicate clearly to the private sector regarding our joint resolve and shared objectives in this area.

- **Ensuring flexible and coordinated export controls.** Against the backdrop of a rapidly shifting and ever more sophisticated technological landscape, our toolkits must address evolving challenges. We will therefore work together to enable our respective toolkits to work in a complementary way, implementing export controls related to certain sensitive technologies, including targeting end-uses of concern, and considering our approach to tackling the challenge of intangible transfers. The United Kingdom has enhanced its capability in this area by expanding the scope of its Military End Use Controls (MEUC) regime and is progressing work – due to complete by the autumn – to understand its impact. The United Kingdom will consult later this year on updating its export control regime and consider how best to flexibly and rapidly tackle sensitive technology transfers. The United Kingdom will also consult on the targeting of end uses and end-users of concern. Building on our existing cooperation and recognising that the multilateral system faces challenges in accommodating new realities and that creative solutions are necessary, both sides will advance work and bilateral consultations in the coming months to enable deeper collaboration and ensure both our export control systems are able together to tackle the identified threats.
- **Strengthening our world-leading partnership across sanctions strategy, design, targeting, implementation and enforcement.** We will continue to coordinate our work to tackle sanctions evasion and intend to jointly target those facilitating Russia’s illegal invasion of Ukraine in Russia, Belarus, and in third countries, including those who help Russia acquire goods and technology that support Russian aggression. We intend to enhance our ability to collect, analyze, and share information and data with a financial sanctions nexus from our financial institutions and businesses, including for identification of companies and individuals financially supporting or facilitating payments to Russia’s war machine. We further intend to work closely together to protect humanitarian activity from unintended impacts of sanctions, building on our significant cooperation on the landmark UN Security Council Resolution 2664. We have implemented exceptions for humanitarian activities in our UN programs. The United States has implemented these exceptions in its autonomous sanctions programs, and the United Kingdom will take this further in its autonomous sanctions programs as appropriate. We will also continue joint work to underline that food supplies are not the target of our sanctions.
- **Reducing our vulnerabilities across critical technology supply chains.** Recent events have shown that our supply chains need to be made more resilient to geopolitical incidents, natural disasters, third country policies, economic coercion, and other possible shocks. The United Kingdom and United States recognize the strategic and shared imperative of building resilient semiconductor and other critical technology supply chains and are putting in place robust strategies to minimize disruptions. In order to further this cooperation, the United States and the United Kingdom will work bilaterally to share analysis, develop, and deepen our channels for coordination and timely consultation during critical technology supply chain disruptions and crises.

3. Partnering on an Inclusive and Responsible Digital Transformation

As we promote the critical and emerging technology ecosystems in our countries, we will work together to shape the policy environment around technology and enable further responsible innovation.

- **Enhancing cooperation on data.** The trusted and secure flow of data across our borders is foundational to efforts to further innovation. To that end, we have committed in principle to establish a U.S.-UK Data Bridge to facilitate data flows between our countries while ensuring strong and effective privacy protections. We are working to finalize our respective assessments swiftly to implement this framework. We also intend to coordinate to further promote trust in the digital economy, including through support for the Global Cross-Border Privacy Rules (CBPR) Forum and the OECD’s Declaration on Government Access to Personal Data Held by Private Sector Entities, and to build shared understandings on data security risks.
- **Accelerating cooperation on AI.** The United States and the United Kingdom recognize Artificial Intelligence (AI) has the potential to transform our societies and economies and share a commitment to the role of government action to unlock the opportunities and mitigate the risks arising from the rapid development of these technologies. We will accelerate our cooperation on AI with a focus on ensuring the safe and responsible development of the technology. Both nations welcome ongoing activity internationally including at the OECD, UN, Global Partnership for AI, Council of Europe, and International Standards Organisations, as well as the G7 Hiroshima AI Process, and recognize the need to go further particularly with respect to the risks and opportunities AI presents. The United States welcomes the Prime Minister’s plans to launch the first Global Summit on AI Safety, to be

hosted in the United Kingdom this year, and commits to attend at a high level. This effort, which fits with the United Kingdom's comprehensive and balanced approach to AI risks and opportunities, will bring together key countries, as well as leading technology companies and researchers, to drive targeted, rapid international action focused on safety and security at the frontier of this technology, including exploring safety measures to evaluate and monitor risks from AI. The United States has taken strong action to promote responsible innovation and is undertaking a process to advance a comprehensive approach to AI-related risk and opportunities, including comprehensive engagement with companies, research, civil society, and our allies and partners.

- **Deepening collaboration on Privacy Enhancing Technologies.** To maximize the responsible use of data, we intend to launch a Collaboration on Privacy Enhancing Technologies (PETs) that will allow us to gain more valuable insight from data and train responsible AI models, enabling economic and societal benefits, while protecting individuals' privacy and our democratic principles.

4. Building the Clean Energy Economy of the Future

The United States and the United Kingdom are both committed to meeting our goals under the Paris Agreement, building a clean energy economy, strengthening resilient supply chains, and investing in our industrial bases. We share a belief that building a clean energy economy is one of the most significant opportunities to create good jobs with high labor standards. We affirm that bold investment and strategic public funding are necessary to achieve these goals. We are committed to deepening cooperation to develop and strengthen clean energy supply chains, including building diverse, resilient, and secure critical mineral and battery supply chains that reduce unwanted strategic dependencies to meet our defense, economic, energy security, and climate goals. As we pursue our national strategies, we will work to align our approaches wherever possible to make clean energy technologies more affordable for all nations and help drive a global, just, and secure energy transition for workers and communities that will leave no one behind. We are committed to making the 2020s the decisive decade for climate action, implementing our respective ambitious 2030 nationally determined contributions under the Paris Agreement, and meeting our 2050 net zero emission goals.

- **Launching negotiations on a Critical Minerals Agreement.** With congressional consultation, we intend to immediately begin negotiations on a targeted critical minerals agreement covering the five relevant critical minerals most important for electric vehicles – cobalt, graphite, lithium, manganese, and nickel – that are extracted or processed in the United Kingdom count toward sourcing requirements for clean vehicles eligible for the Section 30D clean vehicle tax credit of the Inflation Reduction Act. We intend to use these focused negotiations to ensure the consistency of our approaches on supply chain diversification and robust labor and environmental standards to support the creation of well-paying jobs with a free and fair choice to join a labor union on both sides of the Atlantic. Through our strong U.S.-UK partnership we will work towards increasing our respective and collective clean energy industrial capacity, boosting electric vehicle production and deployment, and expanding access to sustainable, secure, high-standard critical mineral and battery supply chains.
- **Partnering on a Joint Clean Energy Supply Chain Action Plan.** Today we are announcing the launch of a one-year Joint Clean Energy Supply Chain Action Plan. Through the U.S.-UK Joint Action Group on Energy Security and Affordability (the JAG), the United States and the United Kingdom will, by the end of 2023, identify and decide on near-term actions our two countries can take in parallel and together to accelerate the buildout of capacity in our countries and third countries sufficient to meet the clean energy demands of the future. We intend to conduct public-private consultations across key clean energy supply chains, including offshore wind and electric vehicle batteries, and conduct rapid stress-test exercises across key clean energy supply chains, which could form a model for future work on supply chain resilience.
- **Launching a Civil Nuclear Partnership.** Building on our unique economic and security relationship, and recognizing our complementary capabilities, we are launching a civil nuclear partnership overseen by senior officials in both governments. The JAG will also be mobilized to set near-term priorities for joint action to encourage the establishment of new infrastructure and end-to-end fuel cycle capabilities by 2030 in both continents, and substantially minimize reliance on Russian fuel, supplies, and services. Our joint activity and leadership will support and facilitate the safe, secure, and sustainable international deployment of advanced, peaceful nuclear technologies, including small modular reactors, in accordance with the highest non-proliferation standards and consistent with a 1.5 degree Celsius limit on global warming. These priorities will form the basis of a Joint Standing Committee on Nuclear Energy Cooperation (JSCNEC), which is designed to deliver on shared commitments by the end of the year and serve as an enduring bilateral forum to advance shared policy goals

across existing engagement mechanisms, including near-term actions identified through the JAG, and facilitate exchanges on new and evolving technical and policy developments regarding nuclear energy.

5. Strengthening our Alliance Across Defense, Health Security, and Space

We are further strengthening the U.S.-UK alliance in emerging areas with critical nexuses to economic resilience and economic security.

- **Continuing to optimize our longstanding defense cooperation.** We continue to optimize our longstanding defense cooperation and ensure that defense and technology trade and exports between our countries are as frictionless as possible, particularly as part of our efforts to enable collaboration in and between AUKUS nations. To this end, the President plans to ask the United States Congress to add the United Kingdom as a “domestic source” within the meaning of Title III of the Defense Production Act. Doing so would deepen industrial base collaboration, accelerate, and strengthen AUKUS implementation, build new opportunities for United States investment in multiple strategic sectors, and support our efforts to increase our respective and collective industrial capacity across both clean energy and key technology sectors. Together the U.S. and the UK are taking steps to streamline defense trade between our nations, including the U.S. proposal to Congress to modernize export control laws to enhance collaboration between and among AUKUS nations. The UK is also examining its export control regime to streamline the flow of defense trade among the AUKUS partners.
- **Strengthening bilateral cooperation on biological and health security.** Building on the New Atlantic Charter, we commit to strengthening bilateral collaboration between our two nations on biological security, reflecting our shared ambition to bolster future health and economic resilience against a growing and diverse spectrum of biological threats (deliberate, accidental, or natural), including drug-resistant infections. To this end, we will increase our collaboration to overcome the market failures that prevent vital research and development of anti-microbial vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics – via mechanisms such as the Combating Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria Biopharmaceutical Accelerator (CARB-X). We will enhance our cooperation on tackling emerging infectious disease threats with pandemic or epidemic potential and promote biosafety, biosecurity, and responsible innovation in the biotechnology and life science sectors domestically and internationally to realize the full potential of the growing bioeconomy. We reaffirm our commitment to strengthen global norms against the misuse of biology and prohibitions on the development of biological weapons.
- **Looking to the future and deepening our partnership across all sectors of space cooperation.** We recognize recent bilateral innovation in commercial space launch and are committed to further strengthening bilateral commercial space cooperation, including in the field of deep space communications. We are committed to taking tangible steps to deepen our collaboration on space sustainability and our respective regulations. The United States welcomes the close partnership with the United Kingdom on heliophysics missions and the United Kingdom’s contribution to the NASA Helioswarm mission in particular. The United States welcomes potential participation by the United Kingdom in future commercial space station concepts. The United States and the United Kingdom are committed to studying opportunities for cooperation on space nuclear power and propulsion in accordance with their respective domestic laws and consistent with international obligations and commitments.

JOSHUA FLOCK

Applicant has applied to be registered as a Civil Engineer by Comity on July 9, 2024. Their application was completed and sent to the monthly board review on February 21, 2025 and was reviewed by Ed Leonetti and Colin Maynard. It has been forwarded for full board review due to work experience being verified by a licensed Mechanical Engineer and not a Civil Engineer.

RICARDO CASTANO

Applicant has applied to be registered as a Civil Engineer by Comity on January 2, 2025. Their application was completed and sent to the monthly board review on February 21, 2025 and was reviewed by Sterling Strait and Brad Rinckey. It has been forwarded for full board review due to work experience being verified by a licensed Mechanical Engineer and not a Civil Engineer.

SAM GRASSO

Applicant has applied to be registered as a Civil Engineer by Comity on February 24, 2025. Their application was completed and sent to the monthly board review on March 26, 2025 and was reviewed by Jeff Garness and Ed Leonetti. It has been forwarded for full board review regarding their math/science education evaluation equivalency.

ADEL POURSHARIF

Applicant has applied to be registered as a Electrical Engineer by Comity on January 13, 2025. Their application was completed and sent to the monthly board review on February 21, 2025 and was reviewed by Jeff Garness and John Barry. It has been forwarded for full board review regarding work experience being verified by a licensed Civil Engineer and not an Electrical Engineer.

MICHAEL CANDLER

Applicant has applied to be registered as a Environmental Engineer by Comity on March 17, 2025. Their application was completed and sent to the monthly board review on April 16, 2025 and was reviewed by Jeff Garness and Ed Leonetti. It has been forwarded for full board review regarding work experience being verified by a licensed Civil Engineer and not an Environmental Engineer.

CAROL QING LI-NO

Applicant has applied to be registered as a Mechanical Engineer by Comity on March 17, 2025. Their application was completed and sent to the monthly board review on April 16, 2025 and was reviewed by Jeff Garness and Ed Leonetti. It has been forwarded for full board review regarding request for FE waiver according to 12 AAC 36.090.

JAMES VAN HORNE

Applicant has applied to be registered as a Mechanical Engineer by Comity on October 21, 2024. Their application was completed and sent to the monthly board review on February 21, 2025 and was reviewed by Ed Leonetti and Colin Maynard. It has been forwarded for full board review regarding work experience being verified by a licensed Environmental Engineer and not a Mechanical Engineer.

JUSTIN RISLEY

Applicant has applied to be registered as an Environmental Engineer by Exam on May 5, 2025. Their application was completed and sent to the board review for Exam applicants in May. Their application was reviewed and has been forwarded at the request of board member Jeff Garness to full board review regarding work experience.

PHYLICIA CICILIO

Applicant has applied to be registered as an Electrical Engineer by Exam on April 4, 2025. Their application was completed and sent to the board review for Exam applicants in May. Their application was reviewed and has been forwarded at the request of board member Jeff Garness to full board review regarding work experience verification which was completed by someone other than applicants supervisor.

QUESTIONS FROM STAFF
REGARDING SPECIFIC
PROCEDURES

RECESS DAY 1



ALASKA BOARD OF
REGISTERED ARCHITECTS,
ENGINEERS, AND LAND
SURVEYORS

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING MAY 21-22, 2025

DAY 2

CALL TO ORDER

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE

12 AAC 36.010. APPLICATIONS.

(c) Except as provided in 12 AAC 36.060(a) and 12 AAC 36.068(f), the board will approve an application for examination or for registration by comity if

- (1) the application form is complete;
- (2) the applicable fees have been paid; and
- (3) the board has verified, through all supporting documents, that the applicant meets the registration requirements under AS 08.48 and this chapter[.]; **and**
(4) the applicant provides answers to questions related to 12 AAC 36.210(c).

(i) In this section, “all supporting documents required for board review” means documentation of the applicant’s education, work experience, **records pertaining to 12 AAC 36.210(c), if applicable,** and responsible charge experience, as required by AS 08.48 and this chapter except for

- (1) official transcripts of the applicant’s education if the applicant has
 - (A) an ABET accredited B.S. degree in the major branch of engineering for which the applicant is applying for registration;
 - (B) a B.S. degree in an ABET accredited curriculum in land surveying if the applicant is applying for registration as a land surveyor; or
 - (C) a LAAB accredited professional degree in landscape architecture if the applicant is applying for registration as a landscape architect;
- (2) verification of a license or examination in another licensing jurisdiction;
- (3) verification of successful completion of coursework as required by 12 AAC 36.110.

12 AAC 36.210. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT.

(c) An applicant for registration under AS 08.48 must notify the board if they have any adverse or derogatory history, including

- (i) grounds for which the board may impose disciplinary sanctions under AS 08.48.121;
- (ii) disciplinary action regarding the architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture in another state or territory of the United States, a federal agency, or the armed forces of the United States; or
- (iii) any criminal conviction, including conviction based on guilty plea or please of nolo contendere.

(d) To renew a registration under AS 08.48, a registrant must notify the board if they have had any adverse or derogatory history since the last renewal application or an initial application under (c) of this section. Adverse or derogatory history includes all items listed in (c)(i)-(iii) of this section.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Notes from Education Committee meeting:

- Continuing Education tracking documents
 - Were removed from AELS Board website without consultation
 - **Action Item:** Staff working to get them re-posted
- Cold Regions Engineering Course
 - Proposed Core Competencies discussed (see attached)
 - **Action Item:** Committee to review and propose any modifications within 3 weeks
 - Final Core Competencies document to be distributed to full board for discussion at next meeting
 - If approved, Education Committee will engage UAA/UAF/UW to discuss how this could be implemented
- ABET Programs listed in Board Policies
 - Proposed updates to alternate education table
 - Environmental Engineering: Add Chemical and Geological as alternates
 - Petroleum Engineering: Add Geological as an alternate
 - **Action Item:** Education committee to review full list of ABET programs (attached) for additional modifications to table
 - **Action Item:** Staff to update table based on committee recommendations
- Recognizing UAA/UAF engineering graduates
 - Engage university staff with NCEES to obtain FE Graduation chords
- FE Exam Seats
 - Anecdotal feedback from UAA that there are not enough testing seats for students to take FE
 - **Action Item:** Staff to contact NCEES to investigate adequacy of testing centers in Alaska

-Sterling Strait

DRAFT Cold Regions Engineering Course – Core Competencies**1) Introduction to the Arctic and Alaska**

- a) Geography and Climate
- b) History/Economy of Alaska
- c) Alaska Cultures/ ANSCA

2) Arctic Hydrology

- a) Ice
- b) Snow
- c) Groundwater

3) Frozen Ground - Basics

- a) Geography and climate
- b) Permafrost
- c) Freeze/Thaw
- d) Geotech of frozen ground

4) Frozen Ground - Impacts

- a) Roads
- b) Foundations
- c) Thaw/Settlement
- d) Frost-Jacking
- e) Environmental Issues

5) Building Design Considerations

- a) Site Planning/Layout
- b) Building Envelope
 - i) U-Factors
 - ii) Thermal bridging
 - iii) Vapor/condensation mitigation
- c) Roofing
 - i) Alaska Snow Loading Data
 - ii) Ice dams
 - iii) Drainage
 - iv) Snow sliding/drift
- d) Mechanical Systems
 - i) Heat/Mass Transfer
 - ii) HVAC inlet/outlet orientation
 - iii) Heat recovery systems
- e) Electrical Systems
 - i) Lighting design
 - ii) Grounding/Lightning protection

6) Utilities

- a) Water/Wastewater Supply and Treatment
- b) Distribution & Storage
- c) Heat trace
- d) Islanded power grids
- e) Battery systems

7) Seismic Environment

- a) Alaska Seismicity
- b) Mech/Ele System Anchoring

8) Construction

- a) Logistics
- b) Low Temp Materials
- c) Working at low temperatures

Proposed implementation notes:

- On-Demand course available online
- Eight individual education modules aligning with the eight topic areas
- Each module to be followed by a quiz
- Modules can be done in any order
- All modules must be completed to pass the course

Scheduling Concerns - Pearson Professional Center in Anchorage, AK

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Colin,

Hello, I'm Bob Whorton, NCEES Manager of Compliance and Security. Jason Gamble and Lehmon Deckle forwarded me the Alaska Board's concerns about the testing capacity at the Pearson Professional Center in Anchorage, AK. I reached out to Pearson VUE who immediately added appointments at that test center on the following days:

April 18 and 28

May 13, 14, 19, and 29

June 16 and 26

July 9, 16, and 28

Pearson VUE advised that their capacity team will be monitoring the NCEES exam volume at this test center for the foreseeable future.

Also mentioned was that the University of Alaska Anchorage was considering requiring students to take the FE exam as a requirement to graduate starting with the class that enters in Fall 2025. Below is the recent testing history at the Pearson Professional Center in Anchorage, AK. Does anyone have an estimate of how many additional candidates would be taking the FE exam and when that additional volume would begin? Or is there a point of contact at the University of Alaska Anchorage that would know this information? Once this information is obtained, NCEES notify Pearson VUE so they would be prepared to handle these additional candidates at the Pearson Professional Center in Anchorage, AK.

	FE	FS	PE	PS	SE
2022	81	9	65	10	--
2023	96	10	80	6	--
2024	115	10	100	6	12

If there are any additional testing concerns or questions, please let me know.

Bob

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OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Outreach Committee meeting notes:

- No newsletter for 2025, due to lack of interest. Will come back to this topic for 2026.
- Staff requesting a letter or document from the board for SOA agencies procurement offices reminding them of licensing/registration requirements for bidding on a project. Staff have fielded questions regarding this recently, however they are requesting an official letter from the board that may be distributed to the departments as a general reminder.
- Although this will be a part of a separate agenda item in the quarterly board meeting, depending on what the outcome of the discussion is, an outreach plan may be needed; staff requesting guidance regarding firms designing boats/vessels for Alaska based companies/organizations or for where the vessel is intended to primarily work in Alaska.
 - Specifically, is designing a vessel for Alaska service where all engineering services are provided outside the state enough to require the firm to be registered in Alaska?
 - Guidance the board decides on can be provided to AMHS and other Alaska marine operators/shipyards that are looking at design and engineering of new vessels.
- If in-person board meetings are reduced to 2 per year per new travel plan, would the board be interested in requesting funding approval for outreach events that are separate from the board meetings?



MORNING BREAK

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 54(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/14/25

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATORS CLAMAN, Gray-Jackson

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to registered interior designers and interior design; relating to project
2 costs for the construction, enlargement, or improvement of airports; extending the
3 termination date of the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land
4 Surveyors; relating to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and
5 Land Surveyors; establishing requirements for the practice of registered interior design;
6 relating to the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, landscape
7 architecture, and registered interior design; relating to the scope of the certification
8 requirements for architects, engineers, land surveyors, landscape architects, and
9 registered interior designers; relating to immunity for design professionals; relating to
10 the cost of construction for recreation centers; relating to liens for labor or materials
11 furnished; relating to the procurement of landscape architectural and interior design
12 services; relating to the cost of construction of safe water and hygienic sewage disposal

1 facilities in villages; and providing for an effective date."

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

3 * Section 1. AS 02.15.155 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 02.15.155. Project costs defined.** In AS 02.15.120 - 02.15.155, "project
5 costs" includes, in addition to costs directly related to the project, the sum total of all
6 costs of financing and carrying out the project, including [, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,]
7 the costs of all necessary studies, surveys, plans and specifications, architectural,
8 engineering, **land surveying, landscape architectural, registered interior design,** or
9 other special services, acquisition of real property, site preparation and development,
10 purchase, construction, reconstruction and improvement of real property, and the
11 acquisition of machinery and equipment as may be necessary in connection with the
12 project; an allocable portion of the administrative and operating expenses of the
13 grantee; the cost of financing the project, including interest on bonds issued to finance
14 the project; and the cost of other items, including any indemnity and surety bonds and
15 premiums on insurance, legal fees, fees and expenses of trustees, depositories,
16 financial advisors, and paying agents for the bonds issued as the issuer considers
17 necessary.

18 * Sec. 2. AS 08.03.010(c)(3) is amended to read:

19 (3) State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land
20 Surveyors (AS 08.48.011) - June 30, **2033** [2025];

21 * Sec. 3. AS 08.48.011(b) is amended to read:

22 (b) The board consists of **13** [11] members appointed by the governor having
23 the qualifications as set out in AS 08.48.031. The board consists of

- 24 **(1)** two civil engineers;
25 **(2)** [,] two land surveyors;
26 **(3)** [,] one mining, **petroleum, or chemical** engineer;
27 **(4)** [,] one electrical **engineer**;
28 **(5)** **one** [OR] mechanical engineer;
29 **(6)** [,] one engineer from another branch of the profession of
30 engineering;

- 1 **(7)** [,] two architects;
- 2 **(8)** **one interior designer;**
- 3 **(9)** [,] one landscape architect; [,] and
- 4 **(10)** one public member.

5 * **Sec. 4.** AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, is amended to read:

6 (b) The board consists of 13 members appointed by the governor having the

7 qualifications as set out in AS 08.48.031. The board consists of

- 8 (1) two civil engineers;
- 9 (2) two land surveyors;
- 10 (3) one mining, petroleum, or chemical engineer;
- 11 (4) one electrical engineer;
- 12 (5) one mechanical engineer;
- 13 (6) one engineer from another branch of the profession of engineering;
- 14 (7) two architects;
- 15 (8) one **registered** interior designer;
- 16 (9) one landscape architect; and
- 17 (10) one public member.

18 * **Sec. 5.** AS 08.48.055(b) is amended to read:

19 (b) The executive administrator of the board shall perform duties as prescribed

20 by the board, including the review and approval of comity applications. **The executive**

21 **administrator is entitled to receive a monthly salary equal to a step in Range 23**

22 **on the salary schedule set out in AS 39.27.011(a).**

23 * **Sec. 6.** AS 08.48.071(f) is amended to read:

24 (f) The department shall assemble statistics relating to the performance of its

25 staff and the performance of the board, including

- 26 (1) the number of architects, engineers, land surveyors, [AND]
- 27 landscape architects, **and registered interior designers** registered over a five-year
- 28 period;
- 29 (2) the rate of passage of examinations required by the board;
- 30 (3) the number of applicants for registration over a five-year period;
- 31 (4) an account of registration fees collected under AS 08.01.065;

1 (5) a measure of the correspondence workload of staff.

2 * **Sec. 7.** AS 08.48.101 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

3 (c) The board shall adopt regulations establishing

4 (1) a definition of "interior design" for the purposes of this chapter; a
5 person may practice interior design without registration as a registered interior
6 designer while not using the title "registered interior designer"; and

7 (2) the type of documents that a registered interior designer is
8 authorized to sign and stamp with an official seal under AS 08.48.221 for the purpose
9 of obtaining requisite permits for construction projects.

10 * **Sec. 8.** AS 08.48.111 is amended to read:

11 **Sec. 08.48.111. Power to revoke, suspend, or reissue certificate.** The board
12 may suspend, refuse to renew, or revoke the certificate of or reprimand a registrant,
13 corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited
14 partnership who is found guilty of [(1)] fraud or deceit in obtaining a certificate; [(2)]
15 gross negligence, incompetence, or misconduct in the practice of architecture,
16 engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, or registered interior
17 design; or [(3)] a violation of this chapter, a regulation adopted under this chapter, or
18 the code of ethics or professional conduct as adopted by the board. [THE CODE OF
19 ETHICS OR PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN
20 WRITING TO EVERY REGISTRANT AND APPLICANT FOR REGISTRATION
21 UNDER THIS CHAPTER. THIS PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE
22 CODE OF ETHICS OR PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT CONSTITUTES DUE
23 NOTICE TO ALL REGISTRANTS.] The board may revise and amend its code and,
24 upon doing so, shall immediately notify each registrant in writing of the revisions or
25 amendments. The board may, upon petition of the registrant, corporation, limited
26 liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership, reissue a
27 certificate if a majority of the members of the board vote in favor of the reissuance.

28 * **Sec. 9.** AS 08.48.171 is amended to read:

29 **Sec. 08.48.171. General requirements and qualifications for registration.**

30 An applicant for registration as an architect, engineer, land surveyor, [OR] landscape
31 architect, or registered interior designer must be of good character and reputation

1 and shall submit evidence satisfactory to the board of the applicant's education,
2 training, and experience.

3 * **Sec. 10.** AS 08.48.181 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 08.48.181. Registration upon examination.** Except as provided in
5 AS 08.48.191, for registration as a professional architect, professional engineer,
6 professional land surveyor, [OR] professional landscape architect, **or registered**
7 **interior designer**, a person shall be examined in this state in accordance with the
8 regulations of procedure and standards adopted by the board under AS 44.62
9 (Administrative Procedure Act). The procedure and standards shall at least meet the
10 requirements adopted by recognized national examining councils for these
11 professions.

12 * **Sec. 11.** AS 08.48.191 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

13 (e) A person holding a certificate of registration authorizing the person to
14 practice registered interior design in a state, territory, or possession of the United
15 States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country that, in the opinion of the board,
16 meets the requirements of this chapter, based on verified evidence, may, upon
17 application, be registered in accordance with the regulations of the board.

18 * **Sec. 12.** AS 08.48.201(a) is amended to read:

19 (a) Application for registration as a professional architect, a professional
20 engineer, a professional land surveyor, [OR] a professional landscape architect, **or a**
21 **registered interior designer** shall be submitted in the manner prescribed by the
22 board.

23 * **Sec. 13.** AS 08.48.211(b) is amended to read:

24 (b) The certificate of registration is prima facie evidence that the person
25 named in it is entitled to all rights and privileges of a professional architect,
26 professional engineer, professional land surveyor, [OR] professional landscape
27 architect, **or registered interior designer** while the certificate remains unrevoked or
28 unexpired.

29 * **Sec. 14.** AS 08.48.215(a) is amended to read:

30 (a) On retiring from practice and payment of an appropriate one-time fee, **an**
31 **individual who is registered as a professional architect, engineer, land surveyor,**

1 **or landscape architect and** [A REGISTRANT] in good standing with the board may
 2 apply for the conversion of a certificate of registration to a retired status registration.
 3 The registrant may not practice architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape
 4 architecture in the state. A retired status registration is valid for the life of the
 5 registration holder and does not require renewal.

6 * **Sec. 15.** AS 08.48 is amended by adding a new section to read:

7 **Sec. 08.48.218. Untitled practice of interior design.** This chapter does not
 8 prohibit the practice of interior design by a person who is not registered as a registered
 9 interior designer if the person does not use the title "registered interior designer."

10 * **Sec. 16.** AS 08.48.221(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) Each registrant may obtain a seal of the design authorized by the board,
 12 bearing the registrant's name, registration number, and the appropriate legend for
 13 architect, engineer, land surveyor, [OR] landscape architect, **or registered interior**
 14 **designer**. When a registrant issues final drawings, specifications, surveys, plats,
 15 plates, reports, or similar documents, the registrant shall stamp the documents with the
 16 seal and sign the seal. The board shall adopt regulations governing the use of seals by
 17 the registrant. An architect, engineer, land surveyor, [OR] landscape architect, **or**
 18 **registered interior designer** may not affix or permit a seal and signature to be affixed
 19 to an instrument after the expiration of a certificate or for the purpose of aiding or
 20 abetting another person to evade or attempt to evade a provision of this chapter. The
 21 registrant, by sealing and signing the document, certifies that the document was
 22 prepared by or under the registrant's responsible charge and is within the registrant's
 23 field of practice or is design work of minor importance.

24 * **Sec. 17.** AS 08.48.241(a) is amended to read:

25 (a) This chapter does not prevent a corporation, limited liability company,
 26 limited liability partnership, or limited partnership from offering architectural,
 27 engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior**
 28 **design** services; however, the corporation, limited liability company, limited liability
 29 partnership, or limited partnership shall file with the board

30 (1) an application for a certificate of authorization on a form to be
 31 prescribed by the board and containing information required to enable the board to

1 determine whether the corporation, limited liability company, limited liability
 2 partnership, or limited partnership is qualified in accordance with the provisions of
 3 this chapter to offer to practice architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR]
 4 landscape architecture, **or registered interior design** in this state;

5 (2) a certified copy of a resolution of the board of directors of the
 6 corporation, the managing members or manager of the limited liability company, the
 7 general partners of a limited liability partnership, or the general partners of a limited
 8 partnership designating persons holding certificates of registration under this chapter
 9 as responsible for the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR]
 10 landscape architecture, **or registered interior design** by the corporation, limited
 11 liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership in this state and
 12 providing that full authority to make all final architectural, engineering, land
 13 surveying, [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior design** decisions on
 14 behalf of the corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or
 15 limited partnership with respect to work performed by the corporation, limited liability
 16 company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership in this state is granted by
 17 the board of directors of the corporation, the managing members or manager of the
 18 limited liability company, the general partners of the limited liability partnership, or
 19 the general partners of the limited partnership to the persons designated in the
 20 resolution; however, the filing of this resolution does not relieve the corporation,
 21 limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership of any
 22 responsibility or liability imposed on it by law or by contract;

23 (3) a designation in writing setting out the name of one or more
 24 persons holding certificates of registration under this chapter who are in responsible
 25 charge of each major branch of the architectural, engineering, land surveying, [OR]
 26 landscape architectural, **or registered interior design** activities in which the
 27 corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited
 28 partnership specializes in this state; if a change is made in the person in responsible
 29 charge of a major branch of the architectural, engineering, land surveying, [OR]
 30 landscape architectural, **or registered interior design** activities, the change shall be
 31 designated in writing and filed with the board within 30 days after the effective date of

1 the change.

2 * **Sec. 18.** AS 08.48.241(b) is amended to read:

3 (b) Upon filing with the board the application for certificate of authorization,
4 certified copy of resolution, affidavit, and designation of persons specified in this
5 section, the board shall, subject to (c) of this section, issue to the corporation, limited
6 liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership a certificate of
7 authorization to practice architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape
8 architecture, **or registered interior design** in this state upon a determination by the
9 board that

10 (1) the bylaws of the corporation, the articles of organization or
11 operating agreement of the limited liability company, the partnership agreement of the
12 limited liability partnership, or the partnership agreement of the limited partnership
13 contain provisions that all architectural, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape
14 architectural, **or registered interior design** decisions pertaining to architectural,
15 engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior**
16 **design** activities in this state will be made by the specified architect, engineer, land
17 surveyor, [OR] landscape architect, **or registered interior designer** in responsible
18 charge, or other registered architects, engineers, land surveyors, [OR] landscape
19 architects, **or registered interior designers** under the direction or supervision of the
20 architect, engineer, land surveyor, [OR] landscape architect, **or registered interior**
21 **designer** in responsible charge;

22 (2) the application for certificate of authorization states the type of
23 architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, **or registered**
24 **interior design** practiced or to be practiced by the corporation, limited liability
25 company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership;

26 (3) the applicant corporation, limited liability company, limited
27 liability partnership, or limited partnership has the ability to provide architectural,
28 engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior**
29 **design** services;

30 (4) the application for certificate of authorization states the
31 professional records of the designated person who is in responsible charge of each

1 major branch of architectural, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape
 2 architectural, **or registered interior design** activities in which the corporation, limited
 3 liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership specializes;

4 (5) the application for certificate of authorization states the experience,
 5 if any, of the corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or
 6 limited partnership in furnishing architectural, engineering, land surveying, [OR]
 7 landscape architectural, **or registered interior design** services during the preceding
 8 five-year period;

9 (6) the applicant corporation, limited liability company, limited
 10 liability partnership, or limited partnership meets other requirements related to
 11 professional competence in the furnishing of architectural, engineering, land
 12 surveying, [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior design** services as
 13 may be adopted by the board in furtherance of the objectives and provisions of this
 14 chapter.

15 * **Sec. 19.** AS 08.48.241(d) is amended to read:

16 (d) The certificate of authorization must specify the major branches of
 17 architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, **or registered**
 18 **interior design** of which the corporation, limited liability company, limited liability
 19 partnership, or limited partnership has designated a person in responsible charge as
 20 provided in this section. The certificate of authorization shall be conspicuously
 21 displayed in the place of business of the corporation, limited liability company, limited
 22 liability partnership, or limited partnership, together with the names of persons
 23 designated as being in responsible charge of the professional activities.

24 * **Sec. 20.** AS 08.48.241(e) is amended to read:

25 (e) If a corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or
 26 limited partnership that is organized solely by [EITHER] a group of architects, a group
 27 of engineers, a group of land surveyors, [OR] a group of landscape architects, **or a**
 28 **group of registered interior designers**, each holding a certificate of registration
 29 under this chapter, applies for a certificate of authorization, the board may, in its
 30 discretion, grant a certificate of authorization to the corporation, limited liability
 31 company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership based on a review of the

1 professional records of the incorporators of the corporation, organizers of the limited
 2 liability company, partners who formed the limited liability partnership, or partners
 3 who formed the limited partnership in place of the required qualifications set out in
 4 this section. If the ownership of the corporation is altered, the membership of the
 5 limited liability company is altered, the partners of the limited liability partnership
 6 change, or the general partners of the limited partnership change, the corporation,
 7 limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership shall
 8 apply for a revised certificate of authorization, based on the professional records of the
 9 owners of the corporation, the members of the limited liability company, the partners
 10 of the limited liability partnership, or the general partners of the limited partnership, if
 11 exclusively architects, engineers, land surveyors, [OR] landscape architects, or
 12 registered interior designers, or otherwise under the qualifications required by (b)(1)
 13 - (4) of this section.

14 * **Sec. 21.** AS 08.48.241(f) is amended to read:

15 (f) A corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or
 16 limited partnership authorized to offer architectural, engineering, land surveying, [OR]
 17 landscape architectural, or registered interior design services under this chapter,
 18 together with its directors, officers, managing members, manager, and partners for
 19 their own individual acts, is responsible to the same degree as the designated
 20 individual registrant, and shall conduct its business without misconduct or malpractice
 21 in the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape
 22 architecture, or registered interior design as defined in this chapter.

23 * **Sec. 22.** AS 08.48.251 is amended to read:

24 **Sec. 08.48.251. Certain partnerships.** This chapter does not prevent the
 25 practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, or
 26 registered interior design by a partnership if all of the members of the partnership
 27 are registrants under this chapter. In this section, "partnership" does not include a
 28 limited liability partnership or a limited partnership.

29 * **Sec. 23.** AS 08.48.281 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

30 (c) A person may not use a title tending to convey the impression that the
 31 person is a "registered interior designer" while offering to practice or practicing

1 interior design, as defined in regulation by the board, unless the person has been
2 registered or authorized under this chapter.

3 * **Sec. 24.** AS 08.48.291 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 08.48.291. Violations and penalties.** A person who practices or offers to
5 practice architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, or
6 registered interior design in the state without being registered or authorized to
7 practice in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, or a person presenting or
8 attempting to use the certificate or the seal of another, or a person who gives false or
9 forged evidence of any kind to the board or to a member of the board in obtaining or
10 attempting to obtain a certificate, or a person who impersonates a registrant, or a
11 person who uses or attempts to use an expired or revoked or nonexistent certificate,
12 knowing of the certificate's status, or a person who falsely claims to be registered and
13 authorized to practice under this chapter, or a person who violates any of the
14 provisions of this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is
15 punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or by imprisonment for not more than
16 one year, or by both.

17 * **Sec. 25.** AS 08.48.295(a) is amended to read:

18 (a) In addition to any other provision of law, if a person practices or offers to
19 practice architecture, engineering, [OR] land surveying, or registered interior design
20 in the state without being registered or authorized to practice in accordance with the
21 provisions of this chapter, the board may enter an order levying a civil penalty.

22 * **Sec. 26.** AS 08.48.311 is amended to read:

23 **Sec. 08.48.311. Rights not transferable.** The right to engage in the practice of
24 architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, or registered
25 interior design is considered a personal and individual right, based on the
26 qualifications of the individual as evidenced by the individual's certificate of
27 registration, which is not transferable.

28 * **Sec. 27.** AS 08.48.321 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

29 (b) A person uses a title tending to convey the impression that the person is a
30 "registered interior designer" while offering to practice or practicing interior design if
31 the person by verbal claim, sign, advertisement, letterhead, card, or other means

1 represents to be a registered interior designer or through the use of some other title
 2 implies that the person is a registered interior designer when offering to practice or
 3 practicing interior design.

4 * **Sec. 28.** AS 08.48.331(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) This chapter does not apply to

6 (1) a contractor performing work designed by a professional architect,
 7 engineer, or landscape architect or the supervision of the construction of the work as a
 8 supervisor or superintendent for a contractor;

9 (2) workers in building trades crafts, earthwork, grounds keeping, or
 10 nursery operations, and superintendents, supervisors, or inspectors in the performance
 11 of their customary duties;

12 (3) an officer or employee of the United States government practicing
 13 architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture as required by the
 14 person's official capacity;

15 (4) an employee or a subordinate of a registrant if the work or service
 16 is done under the direct supervision of a registrant;

17 (5) associates, consultants, or specialists retained by a registrant, [A]
 18 partnership of registered individuals, [A] corporation, [A] limited liability company,
 19 [A] limited liability partnership, or [A] limited partnership authorized to practice
 20 architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture under this chapter,
 21 in the performance of professional services if responsible charge of the work remains
 22 with the registrant, the partnership, or a designated representative of the corporation,
 23 limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership;

24 (6) a person preparing drawings or specifications for

25 (A) a building for the person's own use and occupancy as a
 26 single family residence and related site work for that building;

27 (B) farm or ranch buildings and their grounds unless the public
 28 health, safety, or welfare is involved;

29 (C) a building that is intended to be used only as a residence by
 30 not more than

31 (i) four families and that is not more than two stories

1 high and the grounds of the building; or

2 (ii) two families and that is not more than three stories
3 high and the grounds of the building, if the building is located in a
4 municipality that has adopted a building or residential code that applies
5 to the building and if the building complies with the building or
6 residential code;

7 (D) a garage, workshop, or similar building that contains less
8 than 2,000 square feet of floor space to be used for a private noncommercial
9 purpose and the grounds of the building;

10 (7) a specialty contractor licensed under AS 08.18 while engaged in
11 the business of construction contracting for work designed by an architect, engineer,
12 or landscape architect that is within the specialty to be performed or supervised by the
13 specialty contractor, or a contractor preparing shop or field drawings for work that the
14 specialty contractor has contracted to perform;

15 (8) a person furnishing drawings, specifications, instruments of
16 service, or other data for alterations or repairs to a building or its grounds that do not
17 change or affect the structural system or the safety of the building, or that do not affect
18 the public health, safety, or welfare;

19 (9) a person who is employed by a postsecondary educational
20 institution to teach engineering, architectural, or landscape architectural courses; in
21 this paragraph, "postsecondary educational institution" has the meaning given in
22 AS 14.48.210;

23 (10) an officer or employee of an individual, firm, partnership,
24 association, utility, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership,
25 or limited partnership, who practices engineering, architecture, land surveying, or
26 landscape architecture involved in the operation of the employer's business only [,
27 AND FURTHER] if neither the employee nor the employer offers engineering,
28 architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture services to the public;
29 exclusions under this paragraph do not apply to buildings or structures whose primary
30 use is public occupancy;

31 (11) a person while involved in revegetation, restoration, reclamation,

1 rehabilitation, or erosion control for disturbed land that the board determines does not
2 affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

3 (12) a person while maintaining or directing the placement of plant
4 material that the board determines does not affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

5 (13) an employee, officer, or agent of a regulatory agency of the state
6 or a municipality when reviewing drawings and specifications for compliance with the
7 building codes of the state or a municipality if the drawings and specifications have
8 been sealed and signed by an architect, engineer, land surveyor, or landscape architect
9 or the preparation of the drawings and specifications is exempt under this section from
10 the requirements of this chapter; in this paragraph, "building codes" includes codes
11 relating to building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire safety standards, and
12 zoning;

13 (14) a person who is designing fire protection systems and is
14 authorized by the Department of Public Safety to design fire protection systems;

15 **(15) a person who is**

16 **(A) authorized to construct, install, or modify a**
17 **conventional onsite wastewater system by the Department of**
18 **Environmental Conservation under AS 46.03.100; and**

19 **(B) constructing, installing, or modifying a conventional**
20 **onsite wastewater system that serves a commercial facility and has a**
21 **design flow of less than 500 gallons of wastewater a day.**

22 * **Sec. 29.** AS 08.48.331(a), as amended by sec. 28 of this Act, is amended to read:

23 (a) This chapter does not apply to

24 (1) a contractor performing work designed by a professional architect,
25 engineer, or landscape architect or the supervision of the construction of the work as a
26 supervisor or superintendent for a contractor;

27 (2) workers in building trades crafts, earthwork, grounds keeping, or
28 nursery operations, and superintendents, supervisors, or inspectors in the performance
29 of their customary duties;

30 (3) an officer or employee of the United States government practicing
31 architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture as required by the

1 person's official capacity;

2 (4) an employee or a subordinate of a registrant if the work or service
3 is done under the direct supervision of a registrant;

4 (5) associates, consultants, or specialists retained by a registrant,
5 partnership of registered individuals, corporation, limited liability company, limited
6 liability partnership, or limited partnership authorized to practice architecture,
7 engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture under this chapter, in the
8 performance of professional services if responsible charge of the work remains with
9 the registrant, the partnership, or a designated representative of the corporation,
10 limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership;

11 (6) a person preparing drawings or specifications for

12 (A) a building for the person's own use and occupancy as a
13 single family residence and related site work for that building;

14 (B) farm or ranch buildings and their grounds unless the public
15 health, safety, or welfare is involved;

16 (C) a building that is intended to be used only as a residence by
17 not more than

18 (i) four families and that is not more than two stories
19 high and the grounds of the building; or

20 (ii) two families and that is not more than three stories
21 high and the grounds of the building, if the building is located in a
22 municipality that has adopted a building or residential code that applies
23 to the building and if the building complies with the building or
24 residential code;

25 (D) a garage, workshop, or similar building that contains less
26 than 2,000 square feet of floor space to be used for a private noncommercial
27 purpose and the grounds of the building;

28 (7) a specialty contractor licensed under AS 08.18 while engaged in
29 the business of construction contracting for work designed by an architect, engineer,
30 or landscape architect that is within the specialty to be performed or supervised by the
31 specialty contractor, or a contractor preparing shop or field drawings for work that the

1 specialty contractor has contracted to perform;

2 (8) a person furnishing drawings, specifications, instruments of
3 service, or other data for alterations or repairs to a building or its grounds that do not
4 change or affect the structural system or the safety of the building, or that do not affect
5 the public health, safety, or welfare;

6 (9) a person who is employed by a postsecondary educational
7 institution to teach engineering, architectural, or landscape architectural courses; in
8 this paragraph, "postsecondary educational institution" has the meaning given in
9 AS 14.48.210;

10 (10) an officer or employee of an individual, firm, partnership,
11 association, utility, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership,
12 or limited partnership, who practices engineering, architecture, land surveying, or
13 landscape architecture involved in the operation of the employer's business only if
14 neither the employee nor the employer offers engineering, architecture, land
15 surveying, or landscape architecture services to the public; exclusions under this
16 paragraph do not apply **to an officer or employee**

17 **(A) practicing engineering, architecture, land surveying, or**
18 **landscape architecture on [TO] buildings or structures whose primary use is**
19 **public occupancy; or**

20 **(B) of a utility that owns, operates, manages, or controls a**
21 **pipeline that furnishes by transmission or distributes natural or**
22 **manufactured gas to the public for compensation and who is practicing**
23 **engineering on the facilities of the pipeline that operate at a pressure**
24 **greater than 100 pounds per square inch gauge in one of the following**
25 **manners:**

26 **(i) the installation of a new district pressure**
27 **regulator station, compressor station, or gate station;**

28 **(ii) the reconfiguration or physical change of a**
29 **district pressure regulator station, compressor station, or gate**
30 **station that alters or modifies the configuration or overpressure**
31 **protection of equipment; in this sub-subparagraph,**

1 **"reconfiguration or physical change" does not include a routine**
 2 **operating adjustment or similar replacement; or**

3 **(iii) the installation, uprating, repair by**
 4 **replacement, or abandonment of the pipeline;**

5 (11) a person while involved in revegetation, restoration, reclamation,
 6 rehabilitation, or erosion control for disturbed land that the board determines does not
 7 affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

8 (12) a person while maintaining or directing the placement of plant
 9 material that the board determines does not affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

10 (13) an employee, officer, or agent of a regulatory agency of the state
 11 or a municipality when reviewing drawings and specifications for compliance with the
 12 building codes of the state or a municipality if the drawings and specifications have
 13 been sealed and signed by an architect, engineer, land surveyor, or landscape architect
 14 or the preparation of the drawings and specifications is exempt under this section from
 15 the requirements of this chapter; in this paragraph, "building codes" includes codes
 16 relating to building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire safety standards, and
 17 zoning;

18 (14) a person who is designing fire protection systems and is
 19 authorized by the Department of Public Safety to design fire protection systems;

20 (15) a person who is

21 (A) authorized to construct, install, or modify a conventional
 22 onsite wastewater system by the Department of Environmental Conservation
 23 under AS 46.03.100; and

24 (B) constructing, installing, or modifying a conventional onsite
 25 wastewater system that serves a commercial facility and has a design flow of
 26 less than 500 gallons of wastewater a day.

27 * **Sec. 30.** AS 08.48.331 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

28 (c) The Department of Environmental Conservation may adopt regulations
 29 limiting the locations in the state in which (a)(15) of this section applies.

30 (d) Notwithstanding (a)(10)(B) of this section, this chapter does not apply to
 31 an officer or employee of a utility that owns, operates, manages, or controls a pipeline

1 that furnishes by transmission or distributes natural or manufactured gas to the public
 2 for compensation and who is practicing engineering in an emergency on the facilities
 3 of the pipeline that operate at a pressure greater than 100 pounds per square inch
 4 gauge. The utility shall notify the Regulatory Commission of Alaska when an officer
 5 or employee of the utility practices engineering in an emergency under this subsection.

6 * **Sec. 31.** AS 08.48.341(4) is amended to read:

7 (4) "certificate of authorization" means a certificate issued by the
 8 board authorizing a corporation, a limited liability company, a limited liability
 9 partnership, or a limited partnership to provide professional services in architecture,
 10 engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, **or registered interior**
 11 **design** through individuals legally registered by the board;

12 * **Sec. 32.** AS 08.48.341(23) is amended to read:

13 (23) "registrant" means a person registered by the board as a
 14 professional architect, **professional** engineer, **professional** land surveyor,
 15 **professional** [OR] landscape architect, **or registered interior designer**;

16 * **Sec. 33.** AS 08.48.341 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

17 (27) "registered interior design" means the practice of interior design
 18 as a registered interior designer;

19 (28) "registered interior designer" means a person who is

20 (A) registered and qualified by education, training, experience,
 21 and examination to engage in the practice of interior design, as defined by the
 22 board, while using the title "registered interior designer"; and

23 (B) authorized to sign and stamp documents with an official
 24 seal under AS 08.48.221, as determined by the board, for the purpose of
 25 obtaining requisite permits for construction projects.

26 * **Sec. 34.** AS 23.30.017(c)(1) is amended to read:

27 (1) "design professional" means a person registered under AS 08.48 as
 28 an architect, engineer, [OR] land surveyor, **landscape architect, or registered**
 29 **interior designer**;

30 * **Sec. 35.** AS 29.60.400(c) is amended to read:

31 (c) In this section, "costs of construction" means, in addition to costs directly

1 related to a project, the sum of all costs of financing and carrying out the project,
 2 including the costs of all necessary studies, surveys, plans and specifications,
 3 architectural, engineering, land surveying, landscape architectural, registered
 4 interior design, or other special services, acquisition of real property, site preparation
 5 and development, purchase, construction, reconstruction, and improvement of real
 6 property, and the acquisition of machinery and equipment necessary to the project; an
 7 allocable portion of the administrative and operating expenses of the grantee; and the
 8 cost of financing the project, including interest on bonds issued to finance the project,
 9 the cost of indemnity and surety bonds, premiums on insurance, legal fees, fees and
 10 expenses of trustees, depositaries, and financial advisors, and the costs associated with
 11 the issuance of bonds. It does not include the cost of feasibility studies.

12 * **Sec. 36.** AS 34.35.050 is amended to read:

13 **Sec. 34.35.050. Lien for labor or materials furnished.** A person has a lien,
 14 only to the extent provided under this chapter, to secure the payment of the contract
 15 price if the person

16 (1) performs labor on [UPON] real property at the request of the owner
 17 or the agent of the owner for the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or
 18 improvement;

19 (2) is a trustee of an employee benefit trust for the benefit of
 20 individuals performing labor on the building or improvement and has a direct contract
 21 with the owner or the agent of the owner for direct payments into the trust;

22 (3) furnishes materials that are delivered to real property under a
 23 contract with the owner or the agent of the owner that are incorporated in the
 24 construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement;

25 (4) furnishes equipment that is delivered to and used on [UPON] real
 26 property under a contract with the owner or the agent of the owner for the
 27 construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement;

28 (5) performs services under a contract with the owner or the agent of
 29 the owner in connection with the preparation of plans, surveys, or architectural, [OR]
 30 engineering, landscape architectural, or registered interior design plans or
 31 drawings for the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement,

1 whether or not actually implemented on that property; or

2 (6) is a general contractor.

3 * **Sec. 37.** AS 35.15.010(c) is amended to read:

4 (c) In this section, "professional services" means architectural, engineering,
5 [OR] land surveying, **landscape architectural, or registered interior design**
6 services.

7 * **Sec. 38.** AS 36.30.270(a) is amended to read:

8 (a) Notwithstanding conflicting provisions of AS 36.30.100 - 36.30.260, a
9 procurement officer shall negotiate a contract for an agency with the most qualified
10 and suitable firm or person of demonstrated competence for architectural, engineering,
11 [OR] land surveying, **landscape architectural, or registered interior design**
12 services. The procurement officer shall award a contract for those services at fair and
13 reasonable compensation as determined by the procurement officer, after
14 consideration of the estimated value of the services to be rendered, and the scope,
15 complexity, and professional nature of the services. When determining the most
16 qualified and suitable firm or person, the procurement officer shall consider the

17 (1) proximity to the project site of the office of the firm or person
18 unless federal law prohibits this factor from being considered in the awarding of the
19 contract; and

20 (2) employment practices of the firm or person with regard to women
21 and minorities.

22 * **Sec. 39.** AS 36.30.270(d) is amended to read:

23 (d) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, a procurement officer
24 may include price as an added factor in selecting architectural, engineering, [AND]
25 land surveying, **landscape architectural, and registered interior design** services
26 when, in the judgment of the procurement officer, the services required are repetitious
27 in nature, and the scope, nature, and amount of services required are thoroughly
28 defined by measurable and objective standards to reasonably enable firms or persons
29 making proposals to compete with a clear understanding and interpretation of the
30 services required. In order to include price as a factor in selection, a majority of the
31 persons involved by the procurement officer in evaluation of the proposals must be

1 registered in the state to perform architectural, engineering, [OR] land surveying,
 2 **landscape architectural, or registered interior design** services.

3 * **Sec. 40.** AS 36.30.305(e) is amended to read:

4 (e) Architectural, engineering, [AND] land survey, **landscape architectural,**
 5 **and registered interior design** contracts under AS 36.30.270 may not be made under
 6 this section.

7 * **Sec. 41.** AS 36.30.990(19) is amended to read:

8 (19) "preconstruction services" means information, research, advice,
 9 and related tasks regarding the impacts of design on the physical construction of a
 10 project; "preconstruction services" does not mean architectural, engineering, [OR]
 11 land surveying, **landscape architectural, and registered interior design** services;

12 * **Sec. 42.** AS 36.90.100 is amended to read:

13 **Sec. 36.90.100. Contracts for architectural, engineering, land surveying,**
 14 **[OR] landscape architectural, or registered interior design services.** The state or a
 15 municipality may not award a contract for architectural, engineering, land surveying,
 16 [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior design** services to

17 (1) an individual who is not registered under AS 08.48 to perform the
 18 architectural, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered**
 19 **interior design** services required by the contract;

20 (2) a partnership, except as provided by (3) of this section, that is not
 21 qualified under AS 08.48.251 to provide the architectural, engineering, land surveying,
 22 [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior design** services required by the
 23 contract; or

24 (3) a corporation, limited liability company, or limited liability
 25 partnership that is not authorized under AS 08.48.241 to offer the architectural,
 26 engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architectural, **or registered interior**
 27 **design** services required by the contract.

28 * **Sec. 43.** AS 46.07.040(c) is amended to read:

29 (c) In (a) of this section, "cost of the construction of a facility" includes, in
 30 addition to costs directly related to the project, the sum total of all costs of financing
 31 and carrying out the project. These include [, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO,] the

1 costs of all necessary studies, surveys, plans and specifications, architectural,
 2 engineering, land surveying, landscape architectural, or other special services,
 3 acquisition of real property, site preparation and development, purchase, construction,
 4 reconstruction, and improvement of real property, and the acquisition of machinery
 5 and equipment as may be necessary in connection with the project; an allocable
 6 portion of the administrative and operating expenses of the grantee; the cost of
 7 financing the project, including interest on bonds issued to finance the project; and the
 8 cost of other items, including any indemnity and surety bonds and premiums on
 9 insurance, legal fees, fees and expenses of trustees, depositories, financial advisors,
 10 and paying agents for the bonds issued as the issuer considers necessary.

11 * **Sec. 44.** AS 08.48.011(c) and AS 36.30.270(e) are repealed.

12 * **Sec. 45.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
 13 read:

14 TRANSITION: BOARD APPOINTMENT. Notwithstanding AS 08.48.031, an
 15 interior designer appointed to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and
 16 Land Surveyors under AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, must be certified by
 17 the Council for Interior Design Qualification and have resided in the state for at least two
 18 years immediately preceding appointment. On and after the effective date of sec. 4 of this Act,
 19 an interior designer appointed to the board under AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 3 of
 20 this Act, may continue to occupy the seat on the board reserved for the registered interior
 21 designer until a registered interior designer is appointed to the seat. An interior designer
 22 appointed to the board under AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, is eligible for
 23 reappointment to the board on the effective date of sec. 4 of this Act if the interior designer
 24 meets the requirements of AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 4 of this Act.

25 * **Sec. 46.** Sections 3 and 45 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

26 * **Sec. 47.** Section 29 of this Act and AS 08.48.331(d), enacted by sec. 30 of this Act, take
 27 effect January 1, 2026.

28 * **Sec. 48.** Except as provided in secs. 46 and 47 of this Act, this Act takes effect July 1,
 29 2025.

HOUSE BILL NO. 215

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE SADDLER

Introduced: 4/30/25

Referred: Labor and Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act extending the termination date of the State Board of Registration for**
2 **Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; relating to the State Board of Registration**
3 **for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; relating to the practice of architecture,**
4 **engineering, land surveyors, and landscape architecture; relating to scope of the**
5 **certification requirements for architects, engineers, land surveyors, and landscape**
6 **architects; relating to immunity for design professionals; relating to liens for labor or**
7 **materials furnished; relating to the procurement of landscape architectural services;**
8 **and providing for an effective date."**

9 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

10 *** Section 1.** AS 08.03.010(c)(3) is amended to read:

11 (3) State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land
12 Surveyors (AS 08.48.011) - June 30, 2033 [2025];

1 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.48.011(b) is amended to read:

2 (b) The board consists of **12** [11] members appointed by the governor having
3 the qualifications as set out in AS 08.48.031. The board consists of

4 **(1)** two civil engineers;

5 **(2)** [,] two land surveyors;

6 **(3)** [,] one mining, **petroleum, or chemical** engineer;

7 **(4)** [,] one electrical **engineer**;

8 **(5)** **one** [OR] mechanical engineer;

9 **(6)** [,] one engineer from another branch of the profession of
10 engineering;

11 **(7)** [,] two architects;

12 **(8)** [,] one landscape architect; [,] and

13 **(9)** one public member.

14 * **Sec. 3.** AS 08.48.055(a) is amended to read:

15 (a) The department, in consultation with the board, shall employ two persons
16 who are not members of the board. One shall serve as the executive administrator of
17 the board. The other shall serve as investigator for the board. The executive
18 administrator is the principal executive officer of the board, [AND IS] in the partially
19 exempt service under AS 39.25.120, **and entitled to receive a monthly salary equal**
20 **to a step in Range 23 on the salary schedule set out in AS 39.27.011(a).**

21 * **Sec. 4.** AS 08.48.111 is amended to read:

22 **Sec. 08.48.111. Power to revoke, suspend, or reissue certificate.** The board
23 may suspend, refuse to renew, or revoke the certificate of or reprimand a registrant,
24 corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited
25 partnership who is found guilty of (1) fraud or deceit in obtaining a certificate; (2)
26 gross negligence, incompetence, or misconduct in the practice of architecture,
27 engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture; or (3) a violation of this
28 chapter, a regulation adopted under this chapter, or the code of ethics or professional
29 conduct as adopted by the board. **The board** [THE CODE OF ETHICS OR
30 PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT] shall **notify registrants** [BE DISTRIBUTED IN
31 WRITING TO EVERY REGISTRANT] and **applicants** [APPLICANT] for

1 registration under this chapter **of the code of ethics or professional conduct. The**
 2 **board shall immediately notify registrants of revisions or amendments to the**
 3 **code of ethics or professional conduct.** [THIS PUBLICATION AND
 4 DISTRIBUTION OF THE CODE OF ETHICS OR PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT
 5 CONSTITUTES DUE NOTICE TO ALL REGISTRANTS. THE BOARD MAY
 6 REVISE AND AMEND ITS CODE AND, UPON DOING SO, SHALL
 7 IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY EACH REGISTRANT IN WRITING OF THE
 8 REVISIONS OR AMENDMENTS.] The board may, upon petition of the registrant,
 9 corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited
 10 partnership, reissue a certificate if a majority of the members of the board vote in
 11 favor of the reissuance.

12 * **Sec. 5.** AS 08.48.331(a) is amended to read:

13 (a) This chapter does not apply to

14 (1) a contractor performing work designed by a professional architect,
 15 engineer, or landscape architect or the supervision of the construction of the work as a
 16 supervisor or superintendent for a contractor;

17 (2) workers in building trades crafts, earthwork, grounds keeping, or
 18 nursery operations, and superintendents, supervisors, or inspectors in the performance
 19 of their customary duties;

20 (3) an officer or employee of the United States government practicing
 21 architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture as required by the
 22 person's official capacity;

23 (4) an employee or a subordinate of a registrant if the work or service
 24 is done under the direct supervision of a registrant;

25 (5) associates, consultants, or specialists retained by a registrant, [A]
 26 partnership of registered individuals, [A] corporation, [A] limited liability company,
 27 [A] limited liability partnership, or [A] limited partnership authorized to practice
 28 architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture under this chapter,
 29 in the performance of professional services if responsible charge of the work remains
 30 with the registrant, the partnership, or a designated representative of the corporation,
 31 limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership;

- 1 (6) a person preparing drawings or specifications for
2 (A) a building for the person's own use and occupancy as a
3 single family residence and related site work for that building;
4 (B) farm or ranch buildings and their grounds unless the public
5 health, safety, or welfare is involved;
6 (C) a building that is intended to be used only as a residence by
7 not more than
8 (i) four families and that is not more than two stories
9 high and the grounds of the building; or
10 (ii) two families and that is not more than three stories
11 high and the grounds of the building, if the building is located in a
12 municipality that has adopted a building or residential code that applies
13 to the building and if the building complies with the building or
14 residential code;
15 (D) a garage, workshop, or similar building that contains less
16 than 2,000 square feet of floor space to be used for a private noncommercial
17 purpose and the grounds of the building;
- 18 (7) a specialty contractor licensed under AS 08.18 while engaged in
19 the business of construction contracting for work designed by an architect, engineer,
20 or landscape architect that is within the specialty to be performed or supervised by the
21 specialty contractor, or a contractor preparing shop or field drawings for work that the
22 specialty contractor has contracted to perform;
- 23 (8) a person furnishing drawings, specifications, instruments of
24 service, or other data for alterations or repairs to a building or its grounds that do not
25 change or affect the structural system or the safety of the building, or that do not affect
26 the public health, safety, or welfare;
- 27 (9) a person who is employed by a postsecondary educational
28 institution to teach engineering, architectural, or landscape architectural courses; in
29 this paragraph, "postsecondary educational institution" has the meaning given in
30 AS 14.48.210;
- 31 (10) an officer or employee of an individual, firm, partnership,

1 association, utility, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership,
 2 or limited partnership, who practices engineering, architecture, land surveying, or
 3 landscape architecture involved in the operation of the employer's business only [,
 4 AND FURTHER] if neither the employee nor the employer offers engineering,
 5 architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture services to the public;
 6 exclusions under this paragraph do not apply **to an officer or employee practicing**
 7 **engineering, architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture on**

8 (A) [TO] buildings or structures whose primary use is public
 9 occupancy; **or**

10 (B) **natural gas pipelines; in this subparagraph, "natural**
 11 **gas pipeline" has the meaning given in AS 31.25.390;**

12 (11) a person while involved in revegetation, restoration, reclamation,
 13 rehabilitation, or erosion control for disturbed land that the board determines does not
 14 affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

15 (12) a person while maintaining or directing the placement of plant
 16 material that the board determines does not affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

17 (13) an employee, officer, or agent of a regulatory agency of the state
 18 or a municipality when reviewing drawings and specifications for compliance with the
 19 building codes of the state or a municipality if the drawings and specifications have
 20 been sealed and signed by an architect, engineer, land surveyor, or landscape architect
 21 or the preparation of the drawings and specifications is exempt under this section from
 22 the requirements of this chapter; in this paragraph, "building codes" includes codes
 23 relating to building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire safety standards, and
 24 zoning;

25 (14) a person who is designing fire protection systems and is
 26 authorized by the Department of Public Safety to design fire protection systems;

27 **(15) a person who is**

28 (A) **authorized to construct, install, or modify a**
 29 **conventional onsite wastewater system by the Department of**
 30 **Environmental Conservation under AS 46.03.100; and**

31 (B) **constructing, installing, or modifying a conventional**

1 **onsite wastewater system that serves a commercial facility and has a**
 2 **design flow of 500 gallons of wastewater a day or less.**

3 * **Sec. 6.** AS 08.48.331 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (c) The Department of Environmental Conservation may adopt regulations
 5 limiting the locations in the state in which (a)(15) of this section applies.

6 * **Sec. 7.** AS 23.30.017(c)(1) is amended to read:

7 (1) "design professional" means a person registered under AS 08.48 as
 8 an architect, engineer, [OR] land surveyor, **or landscape architect;**

9 * **Sec. 8.** AS 34.35.050 is amended to read:

10 **Sec. 34.35.050. Lien for labor or materials furnished.** A person has a lien,
 11 only to the extent provided under this chapter, to secure the payment of the contract
 12 price if the person

13 (1) performs labor **on** [UPON] real property at the request of the owner
 14 or the agent of the owner for the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or
 15 improvement;

16 (2) is a trustee of an employee benefit trust for the benefit of
 17 individuals performing labor on the building or improvement and has a direct contract
 18 with the owner or the agent of the owner for direct payments into the trust;

19 (3) furnishes materials that are delivered to real property under a
 20 contract with the owner or the agent of the owner that are incorporated in the
 21 construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement;

22 (4) furnishes equipment that is delivered to and used **on** [UPON] real
 23 property under a contract with the owner or the agent of the owner for the
 24 construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement;

25 (5) performs services under a contract with the owner or the agent of
 26 the owner in connection with the preparation of plans, surveys, or architectural, [OR]
 27 engineering, **or landscape architectural** plans or drawings for the construction,
 28 alteration, or repair of a building or improvement, whether or not actually
 29 implemented on that property; or

30 (6) is a general contractor.

31 * **Sec. 9.** AS 36.30.270(a) is amended to read:

1 (a) Notwithstanding conflicting provisions of AS 36.30.100 - 36.30.260, a
 2 procurement officer shall negotiate a contract for an agency with the most qualified
 3 and suitable firm or person of demonstrated competence for architectural, engineering,
 4 [OR] land surveying, or landscape architectural services. The procurement officer
 5 shall award a contract for those services at fair and reasonable compensation as
 6 determined by the procurement officer, after consideration of the estimated value of
 7 the services to be rendered, and the scope, complexity, and professional nature of the
 8 services. When determining the most qualified and suitable firm or person, the
 9 procurement officer shall consider the

10 (1) proximity to the project site of the office of the firm or person
 11 unless federal law prohibits this factor from being considered in the awarding of the
 12 contract; and

13 (2) employment practices of the firm or person with regard to women
 14 and minorities.

15 * **Sec. 10.** AS 36.30.270(d) is amended to read:

16 (d) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, a procurement officer
 17 may include price as an added factor in selecting architectural, engineering, [AND]
 18 land surveying, and landscape architectural services when, in the judgment of the
 19 procurement officer, the services required are repetitious in nature, and the scope,
 20 nature, and amount of services required are thoroughly defined by measurable and
 21 objective standards to reasonably enable firms or persons making proposals to
 22 compete with a clear understanding and interpretation of the services required. In
 23 order to include price as a factor in selection, a majority of the persons involved by the
 24 procurement officer in evaluation of the proposals must be registered in the state to
 25 perform architectural, engineering, [OR] land surveying, or landscape architectural
 26 services.

27 * **Sec. 11.** AS 36.30.305(e) is amended to read:

28 (e) Architectural, engineering, [AND] land survey, and landscape
 29 architectural contracts under AS 36.30.270 may not be made under this section.

30 * **Sec. 12.** AS 08.48.011(c) is repealed.

31 * **Sec. 13.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2025.

SB54

From Colin Maynard <akbosco@aol.com>

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Representatives Foster, Josephson, and Schrage:

I am writing to you as the Legislative Liaison Chair for the Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors. I am being told that there is a chance that SB54 will not be heard by House Finance this session and you will wait until January (or beyond) to hear it.

I sincerely hope that is not true. The Board received a clean audit and is totally funded by receipts from applicants and registrants, so will not affect the expenditure of tax or permanent fund receipts. If the bill does not pass before June 30, 2025, the Board and Division will have to go through an expensive and laborious process for the possibility that the Board ceases to exist entirely on June 30, 2026. If you intend to pass it at the beginning of the next session, then it is an effort that would be unnecessary and a waste of money.

I implore you to get this bill heard and moved this session. If you have any questions, please email me or call me at 907-248-2831.

Colin Maynard



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PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

FE WAIVER SPECIAL COMMITTEE

12 AAC 36.090. WAIVER OF FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGINEERING EXAMINATION. (a) An applicant for registration as a professional engineer by examination [OR COMITY] who has not passed the fundamentals of engineering examination need not take that examination if satisfactory evidence, as verified by registered engineers, is submitted to the board documenting that **the** applicant has at least 20 years of [PROFESSIONAL] **post-graduate** engineering experience.

(b) An applicant for registration as a professional engineer by comity who has not passed the fundamentals of engineering examination need not take that examination if satisfactory evidence, as verified by registered engineers, is submitted to the board documenting that applicant has at least 20 years of professional engineering experience.

(c) An applicant for registration as a professional engineer by examination or comity who has not passed the fundamentals of engineering examination need not take that examination if they have a PHD in engineering from a school that has an ABET accredited engineering bachelor's degree program.

[(B)] **(d) An applicant for registration as a professional engineer by examination or comity who is currently registered as a professional engineer in a province or territory of Canada is not required to demonstrate having passed the fundamentals of engineering examination.**

Authority: AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.181 AS 08.48.191
AS 08.48.171

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[33] Applications received for the [May 21st & 22nd, 2025] Board Review: ([0] comity applications and [33] exam applications)

LICENSE TYPE	COMITY	EXAM	TOTAL
Agriculture Engineer	0		0
Architect	0	3	3
Chemical Engineer	0	0	0
Civil Engineer	0	13	13
Control Systems Engineer	0	0	0
Electrical Engineer	0	3	3
Environmental Engineer	0	3	3
Fire Protection Engineer	0	0	0
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	0	3	3
Landscape Architect	0	0	0
Mechanical Engineer	0	7	7
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	0	0	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	0	0	0
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	0	0	0
Petroleum Engineer	0	0	0
Structural Engineer	0	1	1

January 2025: Submissions of NCEES/NCARB/CLARB Transmittals by Comity Applicants

NCEES	NCARB	CLARB	Conditionally Approved	Reviewed by Board-No Record/Different WEV
3	1	0	4	1 CA out of 6

February 2025: Submissions of NCEES/NCARB/CLARB Transmittals by Comity Applicants

NCEES	NCARB	CLARB	Conditionally Approved	Reviewed by Board-No Record/Different WEV
8	0	0	7	5 CA out of 13

March 2025: Submissions of NCEES/NCARB/CLARB Transmittals by Comity Applicants

NCEES	NCARB	CLARB	Conditionally Approved	Reviewed by Board-No Record/Different WEV
8	5	0	1	2 CA out of 13

April 2025: Submissions of NCEES/NCARB/CLARB Transmittals by Comity Applicants

NCEES	NCARB	CLARB	Conditionally Approved	Reviewed by Board-No Record/Different WEV
7	3	0	3	3 CA out of 13

Exam Results: Quarterly results for January 29th, 2025 – May 7th, 2025

EXAM	PASS	FAIL	NO SHOW	EXAM	PASS	FAIL	NO SHOW	EXAM	PASS	FAIL	NO SHOW
FE	40	32	0	PE	34	7	0	AKLS	0	0	0
FS	3	4	0	PS	0	3	0	SE	0	0	0
A.R.E.	2	1	0								

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FY24 Quarterly Breakdown of Application Board Reviews and Licenses Issued:

1st Quarter Dates: July 1st-September 30th, 2024

License Type	Board Reviewed Total	Denied/Incomplete	Condition Approved	Board Approved	Staff CA	Staff Approved	Licensed after completing CA-Arctic, JQ, or WEV	Licensed after Exam	Total License Issued	In State reviewed	Out of State reviewed
Agriculture Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Architect	0	0	0	0	3	11	0	0	0	2	12
Chemical Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Civil Engineer	9	0	0	9	0	9	1-CRC/3-JQ	11	0	2	16
Control Systems Engineer	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Electrical Engineer	3	0	2	1	1	3	0	2	0	0	7
Environmental Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Fire Protection Engineer		0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Landscape Architect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mechanical Engineer	4	0	1	3	1	3	0	2		0	8
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Nuclear Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petroleum Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Structural Engineer	4	0	1	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	6

2nd Quarter Dates: October 1st – December 31st, 2024

License Type	Board Reviewed Total	Denied/Incomplete	Condition Approved	Board Approved	Staff CA	Staff Approved	Licensed after completing CA-Arctic, JQ, or WEV	Licensed after Exam	Total License Issued	In State reviewed	Out of State reviewed
Agriculture Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Architect	14	0	0	0	6	8	4-CRC/1-JQ	1	13	0	14
Chemical Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Engineer	28	1	4	8	4	11	2-CRC	11	24	4	24
Control Systems Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Electrical Engineer	8	0	1	2	3	2	2-CRC	4	7	0	8
Environmental Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Fire Protection Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Landscape Architect	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Mechanical Engineer	3	0	0	2	1	0	2-CRC	5	2	1	2
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nuclear Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petroleum Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Structural Engineer	3	0	0	2	0	1	4-CRC	0	3	0	3

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3rd Quarter Dates: January 1st – March 31st, 2025

License Type	Board Reviewed Total	Denied/Incomplete	Condition Approved	Board Approved	Staff CA	Staff Approved	Licensed after completing CA-Arctic, JQ, or WEV	Licensed after Exam	Total License Issued	In State reviewed	Out of State reviewed
Agriculture Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Architect	0	0	0	0	0	6	1-CRC	0	7	0	7
Chemical Engineer	1	0	1	0	0	0	1-CRC	0	1	0	1
Civil Engineer	8	0	1	7	6	13	4-CRC	18	25	0	25
Control Systems Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Electrical Engineer	7	0	3	4	4	0	2-CRC/6-JQ	3	11	0	11
Environmental Engineer	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	2
Fire Protection Engineer	4	0	1	3	0	1	1-CRC	0	5	1	4
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Landscape Architect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mechanical Engineer	3	0	1	2	1	4	2-CRC	4	8	0	8
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nuclear Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petroleum Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Structural Engineer	6	0	1	5	0	1	1-CRC	0	7	0	7

4th Quarter Dates: April 1st – June 30th, 2024

License Type	Board Reviewed Total	Denied/Incomplete	Condition Approved	Board Approved	Staff Approved	Licensed after completing CA-Arctic, JQ, or WEV	Licensed after Exam	Total License Issued	In State reviewed	Out of State reviewed
Agriculture Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Architect	8	1	2	5	1	1-CRC/1-JQ	0	8	0	8
Chemical Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Civil Engineer	42	0	23	19	2	10-CRC/JQ-4/1-VO FE/1-LOR	18	55	14	28
Control Systems Engineer	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Electrical Engineer	17	0	8	9	0	4-CRC/1-JQ	1	15	2	15
Environmental Engineer	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	1	2
Fire Protection Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	1	0	1	0	0	0	7	7	0	1
Landscape Architect	1	0	1	0	0	1-JQ	0	1	0	1
Mechanical Engineer	22	0	15	7	1	5-CRC/2-JQ/1-Ref info	1	17	8	14
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nuclear Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petroleum Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Structural Engineer	15	1	6	8	2	5-CRC/1-JQ	1	17	1	14

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FY23 thru FY25 Professional License Statistics- (this information uses dates beginning July 1st, 2024 – May 7th, 2025, for each fiscal year)

Licenses Issued to date ending: May 7th, 2025:

Individual Licenses:

License Type	FY25 Total License Count	FY24 Total License Count	FY23 Total License Count
Agriculture Engineer	0	0	0
Architect	47	24	31
Chemical Engineer	2	5	3
Civil Engineer	130	99	147
Control Systems Engineer	3	1	3
Electrical Engineer	42	26	45
Environmental Engineer	7	6	7
Fire Protection Engineer	9	3	2
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	6	5	8
Landscape Architect	2	3	4
Mechanical Engineer	40	28	45
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	1	0	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	2	0	1
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	1	2	2
Nuclear Engineer	0	0	0
Petroleum Engineer	0	1	2
Structural Engineer	26	20	32

License Type	Active
Agriculture Engineer	1
Architect	645
Chemical Engineer	105
Civil Engineer	3102
Control Systems Engineer	50
Electrical Engineer	763
Environmental Engineer	148
Fire Protection Engineer	69
Industrial Engineer	1
Land Surveyor	368
Landscape Architect	59
Mechanical Engineer	831
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	5
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	40
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	22
Nuclear Engineer	0
Petroleum Engineer	86
Structural Engineer	446

Firm Licenses:

License Type	FY25 Total Licensed	FY24 Total Licensed	FY23 Total Licensed
Authorized Corporation	48	20	20
Authorized Limited Liability Corporation	39	17	26
Authorized Limited Liability Partnership	1	0	1

Licenses Issued to date ending: May 7th, 2025:

License Type	Active
Authorized Corporations	484
Authorized Limited Liability Corporation	316
Authorized Limited Liability Partnership	6

Quarterly Breakdown of Application Board Reviews and Licenses Issued Guide (page 2-3): Denied/Incomplete + Condition Approved + Board Approved = Board Reviewed Total, Board Approved + Licensed after competing CA + Licensed after Exam = Total Licensed Issued, In State Reviewed + Out of State Reviewed = Board Reviewed Total

REVIEW ACTION ITEM LIST

NEW COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND SET MEETING DATES

AELS Board Committee and Working Groups Roster

February 2025

Standing Committees

Guidance Manual

Vacant (Randall Rozier)

Brad Rinckey (Chair)

Jake Maxwell

Outreach

Vacant (Jake Maxwell)

Vacant (Randall Rozier)

Sterling Strait (Chair)

Brad Rinckey

Investigative Advisory

Ed Leonetti (Chair)

Vacant (Elizabeth Beckett Johnston)

Vacant (Jake Maxwell)

Legislative Liason

Colin Maynard (Chair)

Jeff Garness

Ed Leonetti

Paul Baril

Planning and Implemenation

Ed Leonetti

Sterling Strait

Jeff Garness (outgoing Chair June 30)

Coliin Maynard (Chair eff. July 1)

Education

Sterling Strait

Colin Maynard

John Barry (Chair)

Paul Baril

Emeritus Status

Elizabeth Beckett Johnston (Emeritus)

Colin Maynard (Chair)

Special Committees

Decoupling

Sterling Strait

John Barry

Elizabeth Beckett Johnston (Public Member)

FE Waiver

Colin Maynard

Jeff Garness

Working Groups

ADEC- through 12/31/2025

Jeff Garness

John Barry

Land Surveyor Education

Jake Maxwell (Public Member)

Brad Rinckey

John Barry

Responsible Charge- through 2/13/2026

Jeff Garness

Ed Leonetti

Colin Maynard

TRAVEL POLICY UPDATES FOR
BOARD MEETINGS IN FY26

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 385

GOVERNORS ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #358 EXTRACT

General Applicability:

This Order applies to all funding sources and all executive branch agencies, including departments, boards, commissions, and public corporations (hereafter referred to as “agencies”).

Travel:

Effective immediately, there is a freeze on all out-of-state travel by State employees and individuals traveling on behalf of the State regardless of funding source. Employees in out-of-state travel status as of the date of this Order shall return to Alaska in accordance with the employee’s approved itinerary.

If an agency believes out-of-state travel is necessary to protect the safety of the public or to meet other essential State responsibilities, a request for waiver from the travel freeze may be submitted to the Governor’s Office through the established travel-waiver request process.

In-state travel shall be used only as necessary for the conduct of essential business. Use of technology in lieu of travel is highly encouraged. If an agency fails to limit in-state travel to essential business, the Chief of Staff is authorized to implement an in-state travel ban for that agency.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

- A. JUNE 19-21, 2025- NCARB ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, SCOTTSDALE, AZ
- B. AUGUST 6-7, 2025- AELS QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING
- C. AUGUST 19-22, 2025- NCEES ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, NEW ORLEANS, LA
- D. SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2025- CLARB ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, LEXINGTON, KY
- E. NOVEMBER TBA- AELS QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS



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