



ALASKA BOARD OF REGISTERED ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, AND LAND SURVEYORS

REGULAR BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 4-5, 2025

BOARD PACKET



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

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VIRTUAL MEETING ZOOM LINK (REGISTRATION REQUIRED):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/szugxSQoTWKivUyDOLDtYw>

MEETING ID: 897 2155 9247

MEETING SCHEDULE

CALL TO ORDER DAY 1:	10:00 AM
PUBLIC COMMENT:	10:15 – 10:30 AM
RECESS FOR DAY 1:	4:00 PM
CALL TO ORDER DAY 2:	10:00 AM
ADJOURN:	12:00 PM

AGENDA DAY 1, NOVEMBER 4TH

AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE ADDRESSED IN THE ORDER BELOW; ANY ITEM WITH A SET TIME WILL OCCUR AT THE SPECIFIED TIME AND OTHER AGENDA ITEMS MAY BE MOVED PRIOR TO OR AFTER AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
2. MISSION STATEMENT/CODE OF CONDUCT
3. BOARD MEMBER OPENING REMARKS
4. REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA
5. ETHICS DISCLOSURES
6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - a. REGULAR BOARD MEETING AUGUST 5, 2025
7. **PUBLIC COMMENT 10:15-10:30 AM**
8. DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING REPORTS
 - a. QUARTERLY DIVISION REPORT
 - b. AO 360 SUMMARY & GUIDANCE
 - c. LEGISLATIVE ACTION PLANNING
 - i. SB54 VETO
 - ii. AELS BOARD SUNSET
9. COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP PROGRESS REPORTS
 - a. INVESTIGATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 - b. EDUCATION COMMITTEE
 - c. OUTREACH COMMITTEE
 - d. DECOUPLING SPECIAL COMMITTEE
 - e. LAND SURVEYOR WORKING GROUP
10. NATIONAL ORGANIZATION UPDATES
 - a. NCEES
 - b. NCARB
 - c. CLARB
11. ACTION ITEMS REPORT BACK (PREVIOUSLY OLD BUSINESS)
12. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. AO #360 REGULATORY REFORM PLANNING
 - i. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT FEEDBACK *TENTATIVE*
 - ii. DEVELOP REGULATORY REFORM PLAN
13. RECESS DAY 1

AGENDA DAY 2, NOVEMBER 5TH

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
2. DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING REPORTS
 - a. INVESTIGATION SECTION REPORTS
 - i. AELS INVESTIGATIVE REPORT
 - ii. AELS PROBATIONARY REPORT
3. APPLICANT REVIEW
 - a. ADEL POURSHARIF
 - b. KATHLEEN PARKER
4. LICENSING EXAMINER'S REPORT
5. READ APPLICANTS INTO RECORD
6. "CARRY OVER" ITEMS FROM DAY 1
7. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. ADOPT COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP MINUTES
 - b. OUTREACH REPORTS
 - c. ACTION ITEMS LIST
8. BOARD CALENDAR
 - a. SET COMMITTEE/WORKING GROUP MEETING DATES AND REVIEW ASSIGNMENTS
 - b. SET PRELIMINARY DATES FOR UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS
9. BOARD MEMBER CLOSING COMMENTS
10. ADJOURN

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING, FEBRUARY 25-26, 2026

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

I understand that by participating in any virtual board meeting or event hosted by the Division of Corporations, Business and professional Licensing, **I am agreeing to the following code of conduct:**

Expected Behavior

- 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.
- All participants are also subject to the laws applicable in the United States and Alaska.

Unacceptable Behavior

- Harassment, intimidation, stalking or discrimination in any form is considered unacceptable behavior and is prohibited.
- Physical, verbal or non-verbal abuse or threat of violence toward of any board member, invited guest, member of the public, division staff, or any other meeting guest/participant is prohibited.
- Disruption of any CBPL board meeting or hosted online session is prohibited.
- Examples of unacceptable behavior include:
 - Comments related to gender, gender identity or expression, age, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, religion, national origin, political affiliation;
 - Inappropriate use of nudity and/or sexual images in presentations;
 - Use of music, noise, or background conversations as a disruption. While this may happen briefly or incidentally, prolonged or repeated incidents are prohibited.
 - Shouting, badgering, or continued talking over the speaker who has been recognized by the chair.

Reporting Unacceptable Behavior

If you or anyone else in the meeting is in immediate danger or threat of danger at any time, please contact local law enforcement by calling 911. All other reports should be made to a member of the senior management team.

Consequences

If the director of the division determines that a person has violated any part of this code of conduct, CBPL management in its sole discretion may take any of the following actions:

- Issue a verbal or written warning;
- Expel a participant from the meeting;
- Suspend attendance at a future meeting – both virtual and in-person;
- Prohibit attendance at any future CBPL event – both virtual and in-person;
- Report conduct to an appropriate state entity/organization;
- Report conduct to local law enforcement.

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

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

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING HELD AUGUST 5, 2025

Location: Remote meeting held via ZOOM.

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.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Edward Leonetti at 9:05 AM.

Board members present, constituting a quorum:

Edward Leonetti, Landscape Architect (*Chair*)
Sterling Strait, Civil Engineer, Structural Engineer (*Vice-Chair*)
Colin Maynard, Civil Engineer, Structural Engineer (*Secretary*)
Paul Baril, Architect
John Barry, Mining Engineer
Samson Shepherd, Mechanical Engineer
Jeffrey Garness, Environmental Engineer
Bradford Rinckey, Land Surveyor

Attending from the Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing:

Joseph Bonnell, Executive Administrator
Kelly Johnson, Licensing Examiner
Patrick Kase, Investigator
Billy Homestead, Investigator

Agenda Item 2: Mission Statement/Virtual Meeting Notice

Agenda Item 3: Ethics Disclosures

Colin Maynard has been appointed chair of the NCEES Committee on Uniform Procedures and Legislative Guidelines, and as such will be attending the annual NCEES Conference.

Agenda Item 4: Board Member Opening Remarks

Various board members expressed that they were looking forward to the discussions during the meeting. Colin Maynard and Brad Rinckey expressed disappointment that the board has gone such a long time without all the seats being filled.

Agenda Item 5: Review/Approve Agenda

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2 The following amendments were proposed:

- 3 1. Add to New Business section request for board guidance on engineer providing field design work
4 and a section for use of improper seals,
- 5 2. Add the ADEC working group to the Committee Reports section,
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7 **On a Motion duly made by Colin Maynard, seconded by Jeff Garness and approved unanimously, it**
8 **was**
9 **RESOLVED to approve the agenda as amended.**
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11 **Agenda Item 6: Consent Agenda**

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13 **On a Motion duly made by Colin Maynard, seconded by Sterling Strait and approved unanimously, it**
14 **was RESOLVED to approve the consent agenda as presented.**
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16 **Agenda Item 7: Investigative Section Report**

17 Investigative Report

18 Investigator Patrick Kase presented the investigative report.

19 Patrick also noted that he had provided training for investigative reviews to new board member, Samson
20 Shepherd.
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23 Investigator Billy Homestead presented the Probation Report, a new report for the board.
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25 **Agenda Item 8: Committee and Working Group Reports**

26 Investigative Advisory Committee

27 Edward Leonetti reported that this committee has not met however Division Deputy Director Glenn Savors had
28 written up recommended language previously for the board to consider for the regulation project regarding
29 barrier crimes. The language would be referred back to the committee for review.
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32 Decoupling Committee

33 Sterling Strait asked Board Staff Joseph Bonnell to provide the report. During the meeting John Barry provided
34 some guidance from the NCEES website. John also had reviewed the Nevada state website for their language
35 regarding the FE waiver, noting that although the education requirements were waived for taking the FE, they
36 had to be completed prior to taking the PE. Sterling explained that the change decoupling would have regarding
37 reviewing applications was the board would no longer provide approvals to sit for exams but approve
38 registration once the applicant has successfully met the criteria which would include passing the PE. Sterling
39 recommended the committee review the matter further and rework the proposed language to be clearer.
40

41 ADEC Working Group

42 Jeff Garness recommended that the working group remain open until the board sees when the new ADEC
43 regulations come into effect, noting that the proposed regulations do address the supervisory issue regarding
44 installation of septic systems. However there remain some other issues regarding the review of plans submitted
45 by registered engineers that the AELS board may want to address at a later date. The Board Chair decided that
46 they will come back to the topic of extending the working group in the November meeting since the group would
47 still be active until then.
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49 **Agenda Item 9: Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Updates**

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2 Quarterly Division Report

3 Board Staff Joseph Bonnell provided an update on the second quarter division report noting that due to the
4 earlier schedule of this board meeting, the report was not ready; it will be included in the November meeting.
5 Staff then provided an update on the travel waiver request sent in to the Division for travel to the NCEES annual
6 conference, which was denied. A separate waiver request from the SCRA bill was forwarded to the Department
7 of Law.
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9 Administrative Order No.358 Update

10 Board Staff Joseph Bonnell reported on the additional information that has been provided since the previous
11 board meeting, specifically regarding staff restrictions on participation in regulation projects without first
12 receiving a waiver. Staff may continue to provide technical support during meetings and take minutes, however
13 research and assistance in writing proposed language is limited.
14

15 It was clarified that board members may continue to work on regulation projects without a waiver, however a
16 waiver will be needed to move a project forward once the board has decided on the regulatory language.
17

18 Board Delegate Voting

19 A question had been brought up prior regarding whether board members who are traveling to annual
20 conferences in a separate capacity from the board, and thus do not a travel waiver, if they were able to vote on
21 behalf of the board while at these conferences. The answer that was received from the Division was no, they
22 would not be authorized to conduct any sort of business associated with the board while at these conferences as
23 that would then mean they were there on State business.
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25 10:07 AM Recessed for break.
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27 10:24 AM Called to Order, all present.
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29 **Agenda Item 10: National Organization Updates**

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31 NCEES

32 Colin Maynard reported that the NCEES Annual Conference will be held in New Orleans on August 18-20th where
33 former board member Elizabeth Beckett Johnston will become the organization's President. Colin noted that
34 there are many motions up for vote at the conference and if anyone has any input to let board staff know and
35 they will pass it on to him.
36

37 NCARB

38 Paul Baril presented for NCARB, noting that he had nothing to report due to the lack of travel authorization to be
39 able to attend the NCARB Annual Conference in June. Board staff noted that a report from the conference is
40 included in the board packet.
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42 CLARB

43 Ed Leonetti provided the report for CLARB noting that there is material in the board packet regarding CLARB
44 resolutions that will be voted on in the upcoming CLARB meetings. It was noted that Ed, as designated in a prior
45 meeting by the board, will be able to vote on the resolutions at a remote meeting to be held in August.
46

47 **Agenda Item 11: Old Business**

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49 CE Audit Update

1 Joseph Bonnell reported that letters have gone out for mandatory audits; those who have had license actions
2 taken against them and as part of those actions are under a mandatory audit. It was noted that these audits are
3 separate from the random audits done as part of the renewal process.

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5 Staff may be reaching out to board members to assist in reviewing audit documentation on an as needed basis.

6 7 Letter to Governor Requesting Regulation Project Waiver

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9 Jeff Garness was asked to write a letter requesting a waiver from AO No. 358 for the regulation project the board
10 had been working on up until the May board meeting. The letter had not yet been written however Jeff would
11 work with board staff to complete the task. Since the regulation project covers a wide range of topics and
12 regulations, the content of the letter needs to reflect this.

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14 The new AO, No. 360, which was released the day prior to this board meeting, was brought up as to how this
15 may affect this project and how the board will meet the 25% regulatory reduction as introduced in this new AO.
16 Board staff noted that further guidance was necessary and that this will be brought to the November board
17 meeting.

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19 It was agreed that that without additional guidance regarding the new AO at this time, the letter should still be
20 written.

21 22 Agenda Item 12: New Business

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24 Registered Interior Designer Regulation

25 Joseph Bonnell reported that SB54 is still awaiting transmittal to the Governor for signing. The board has the
26 option of waiting for the Governor's signature or moving ahead with a working group to begin discussion on
27 regulations for Registered Interior Designers. Any waiver for the regulation project would need to wait until after
28 the bill is signed and has taken effect.

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30 Colin Maynard noted that the bill's sponsor, Senator Clayman, is holding off on sending the bill until after the
31 special legislative session.

32
33 The Board Chair organized the Special Committee for Registered Interior Designer Regulation, with Ed Leonetti,
34 Paul Baril and Colin Maynard as members. A vacant position on the committee would be for an interior designer
35 once one has been appointed to the board.

36 37 Engineer Intern and Engineer in Training Title Usage

38 Colin Maynard had been asked by a member of the public regarding the two titles and when they were able to
39 use them. Colin's response was that the titles are not protected by regulation, in addition since the exam has
40 been renamed from Engineer and Training Exam to the FE exam the titles or terms don't really exist anymore.
41 The terms used for identifying the different license types issued by the board are however protected.

42
43 There was no objection to this interpretation by any member of the board. It was suggested to put this in the
44 Policies and Historical Information document. Samson Shepherd and Jeff Garness questioned whether this is
45 extraneous since the use of terms within a business is not regulated by the board apart from the license titles
46 themselves.

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48 Board staff noted that the website FAQs could be updated with the information if it is a common question.
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Colin Maynard was assigned to write up language that could go into the Procedures and Historical Information document which could then be promulgated to other parts of the website as needed.

Board Vacancies

Joseph Bonnell presented the topic noting that it was a carryover from previous meetings as it is an ongoing issue. The board currently has three vacancies and pending the passage of SB54 will gain additional seats that will increase the vacancies and raise the threshold for a quorum.

Request for Board Guidance on Engineers Providing "Field Design" Work

Joseph Bonnell presented an email that was received from a member of the public. Jeff Garness spoke to the topic noting that he knows the member of the public who submitted the email and that he has had conversations with him. Jeff's advice was that if you are doing designs as an engineer you would sign seal them.

Samson Shepherd provided the viewpoint as a self employed engineer his practice is to not stamp or sign something unless it is required; then if the installer installs the item differently than designed the engineer is not liable. John Barry also noted that in his practice that if the work does not require an engineer to design it there is no need to stamp the drawing due to an exemption.

Colin Maynard and Jeff Garness both commented that not stamping a document would likely not limit the liability if a failure were to happen.

Public Comment

The Board took a break from the discussion to allow for public comment at 11:30 AM.

Having no one provide public comment, the board continued the discussion.

Agenda Item 12: New Business- Continued

Ed Leonetti recapped that it appears the direction the board is going on the topic is that to sign and seal required documents however "field designs" does not need to be stamped although whether or not a document is stamped will likely have little bearing on liability.

Jeff added that field design work typically includes verbal directions, however the design itself is under the direction of an engineer.

Samson noted that in the board's Guidance Manual it does or does not state what needs to be signed and sealed only how to sign and seal when it is required.

Sterling Strait added that the board defines how things are stamped and signed but not what, that comes from other sources such as the fire marshal, IBC or IMC for example. The board establishes what is a registered design professional who can sign and seal. Sterling noted that the board needs to back up its opinion.

A straw poll was done to determine what the board position on this would be; the poll was inconclusive as the direction was not clear. The board decided to keep the response concise and focus on what regulations contain, noting that if it is required by regulation then to sign and seal, beyond that the board has no opinion.

Improper Seals

1 John Barry presented the topic, he has seen some improper seals used by some engineers that do not meet the
2 defined criteria as outlined in regulation and if there is any communication the board may provide to correct
3 this.

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5 It was noted that there are errors in the seal examples within the regulatory documents that do not follow the
6 actual regulations. Staff and Jeff will look into this further to determine if it is an error in the document that was
7 not updated from the last regulation change or if it was missed during the regulation change itself.

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9 12:02 PM Recessed for lunch.

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11 1:00 PM Called to Order, all present.

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13 Sterling Strait asked to add an item to the agenda.

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15 **On a Motion duly made by Sterling Strait, seconded by Colin Maynard and approved unanimously, it**
16 **was RESOLVED to amend the agenda and add the topic of Documentation for CEs.**

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18 Sterling inquired about the CE Log and Structured Report, which the board had worked on, to create a website
19 containing the documents to conform to regulations 12 AAC 36. 540. This website and associated documents had
20 been taken down by the Division's publication team without advising board staff until after it was done.

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22 Board staff will inquire about having the documents restored on the regular Applications web page.

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24 **Agenda Item 13: Applicant Review**

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26 Fayzul Kabir

27 The applicant had originally been brought to the board for review during the May board meeting. There was a
28 question regarding his work verification coming from the Dean of College of Engineering and Mines at University
29 of Alaska Fairbanks as opposed to a direct supervisor. Once the decisions to ask for more information was
30 provided to the applicant, it was discovered that another applicant with a similar work verifier had been
31 approved in January by the board. The applicant is requesting the board to reconsider their decision for
32 additional information considering these new details.

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34 The board decided to stay the course and continue to request additional information, noting that the other
35 applicant, while the verifier was the same, there were more details provided regarding their experience.

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37 Sterling Strait requested that in the communication with applicant's verifier that we ask them to clarify what
38 work was done and if they feel it is in full compliance with the board's definition of "responsible charge".

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40 Board staff, Joseph Bonnell, noted that once the documentation is received the board ballot may be put in
41 OnBoard for a review and vote. If there is still a question, the application will be forwarded to the full board
42 review again.

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44 Stoyan Atanasov

45 John Barry forwarded this applicant for full board review because the credentials evaluation was marked "not
46 equivalent". There is only one class in question. The board noted that although the applicant has a foreign
47 degree, they are licensed in another U.S. jurisdiction, namely Texas. In addition, the applicant has 54
48 engineering education credit hours while the requirement is only for 40 hours.

On a Motion duly made by Colin Maynard, seconded by John Barry and approved unanimously, it was RESOLVED to approve the application.

Agenda Item 14: Licensing Examiner's Report

Kelly Johnson presented the report.

The License Examiner's Report is available in the board packet.

Agenda Item 15: Read Applicants into Record

On a Motion duly made by Secretary Colini Maynard, seconded by Jeff Garness, it was unanimously 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.

License #	First Name	Last Name	Type of License	Month Decision
239770	Catelynn	Hettick	Fire Protection Engineer	Approved

On a Motion duly made by Secretary Colin Maynard, seconded by Jeff Garness, it was unanimously 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.

License #	First Name	Last Name	Type of License	Month Decision
242151	Jared	Mackey	Civil Engineer	CA-Exam
242410	Monroe	Morris	Civil Engineer	CA-Exam
236433	Noah	Tsigonis	Civil Engineer	CA-Exam
228729	Rachel	Bruesch	Civil Engineer	CA-Exam
242245	Robert	Sanders	Civil Engineer	CA-Exam
240474	Russell	Buckholz	Civil Engineer	CA-Exam
240059	Stephen	Chase	Civil Engineer	CA-JQ & Exam
239937	Stephen	Erdman	Civil Engineer	CA-Exam
237998	Steven	McGee	Civil Engineer	CA-JQ & Exam
240913	Connor	Zietlow	Electrical Engineer	CA-Exam
241618	Magaly	Mendoza	Environmental Engineer	CA-Exam
240642	Collin	Pugh	Land Surveyor	CA-Exam & AKLS
203410	Sean	O'Neill	Land Surveyor	CA-Exam
241856	Bong	Chon	Mechanical Engineer	CA-3 Months WEV B4 Exam
242048	Nick	Vanderhart	Mechanical Engineer	CA-Exam

Agenda Item 16: Review Action Item List

Secretary Colin Maynard reviewed the action items with the board.

1 *A copy of the Action Item List may be obtained from board staff.*

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3 **Agenda Item 17: Board Calendar**

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5 **Set Committee/Working Group Meeting Dates and Assignments**

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7 The Board Chair reviewed the current committee assignments, adjustments were made to rosters and chairs.
8 *Committee assignments and schedules are available on the AELS website Board Meetings page, under*
9 ***September 2025 – October 2025 Committee Meetings, or by contacting board staff.***

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11 **Set Preliminary Dates for 2026 Quarterly Board Meetings**

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13 The next regular board meetings are scheduled for November 4-5, 2025, and February 25-26, 2026.

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15 **Agenda Item 18: Board Member Closing Comments**

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17 Board members and staff expressed appreciation for everyone's work during the meeting and the timely
18 reviewing of applications during the monthly online review process.

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20 Meeting adjourned at 2:32 PM.
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Department of Commerce Community, and Economic Development
Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

Summary of All Professional Licensing
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures

Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers			FY 18	FY 19	Biennium	FY 20	FY 21	Biennium	FY 22	FY 23	Biennium	FY 24	FY 25	Biennium
Revenue														
Revenue from License Fees			\$	76,010	\$	190,565	\$	266,575	\$	80,550	\$	207,770	\$	288,320
General Fund Received							\$	-		\$	-		\$	-
Allowable Third Party Reimbursements				1,534		4,314		5,848		\$	2,559		\$	-
TOTAL REVENUE			\$	77,544	\$	194,879	\$	272,423	\$	83,109	\$	207,770	\$	290,879
Expenditures														
Non Investigation Expenditures														
1000 - Personal Services				45,123		91,165		136,288		97,525		68,101		165,626
2000 - Travel				16,384		11,267		27,651		4,067		11,445		15,512
3000 - Services				7,445		10,666		18,111		2,247		5,763		8,010
4000 - Commodities				716		161		877		-		10		10
5000 - Capital Outlay				-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Non-Investigation Expenditures				69,668		113,259		182,927		103,839		85,319		189,158
Investigation Expenditures														
1000-Personal Services				25,013		18,383		43,396		23,942		28,242		52,184
2000 - Travel						1,050		1,050		452		2,325		2,777
3023 - Expert Witness				3,485		1,050		4,535		-		-		-
3088 - Inter-Agency Legal				33		33		66		2,998		1,552		4,550
3094 - Inter-Agency Hearing/Mediation				217		-		217		-		-		-
3000 - Services other						633		633		880		725		1,605
4000 - Commodities						-		-		-		-		-
Total Investigation Expenditures				28,748		21,149		49,897		28,272		32,844		61,116
Total Direct Expenditures				98,416		134,408		232,824		132,111		118,163		250,274
Indirect Expenditures														
Internal Administrative Costs				15,708		20,705		36,413		18,655		20,712		39,367
Departmental Costs				13,293		21,286		34,579		16,760		12,571		29,331
Statewide Costs				7,826		11,964		19,790		15,268		10,477		25,745
Total Indirect Expenditures				36,827		53,955		90,782		50,683		43,760		94,443
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			\$	135,243	\$	188,363	\$	323,606	\$	235,626	\$	140,821	\$	376,447
Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)														
Beginning Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)			\$	374,791	\$	317,092			\$	238,040	\$	130,856	\$	195,277
Annual Increase/(Decrease)				(57,699)		6,516				(107,184)		64,421		
Ending Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)			\$	317,092		323,608			\$	130,856	\$	195,277	\$	127,590
Statistical Information														
Number of Licenses for Indirect calculation				342		298				390		468		
Additional information:														
• 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: Fee change FY19														
• 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.														

Sub Unit	(All)
PL Task Code	APR1

Sum of Budgetary Expenditures	Object Type Name (Ex)			
Object Name (Ex)	1000 - Personal Services	2000 - Travel	3000 - Services	Grand Total
1011 - Regular Compensation	74,262.31			74,262.31
1021 - Allowances to Employees	77.94			77.94
1023 - Leave Taken	10,889.58			10,889.58
1028 - Alaska Supplemental Benefit	5,226.46			5,226.46
1029 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Benefits	12,739.00			12,739.00
1030 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Contribution	1,978.43			1,978.43
1034 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Cont Health Reim	1,391.71			1,391.71
1035 - Public Employee's Retirement Sys Defined Cont Retiree Medical	313.61			313.61
1037 - Public Employee's Retirement Sys Defined Benefit Unfnd Liab	6,448.25			6,448.25
1039 - Unemployment Insurance	242.75			242.75
1040 - Group Health Insurance	23,035.62			23,035.62
1041 - Basic Life and Travel	17.22			17.22
1042 - Worker's Compensation Insurance	324.06			324.06
1047 - Leave Cash In Employer Charge	1,967.36			1,967.36
1048 - Terminal Leave Employer Charge	1,057.31			1,057.31
1053 - Medicare Tax	1,177.68			1,177.68
1062 - GGU Business Leave Bank Contributions	70.90			70.90
1077 - ASEA Legal Trust	98.74			98.74
1079 - ASEA Injury Leave Usage	5.70			5.70
1080 - SU Legal Trst	4.78			4.78
1970 - Personal Services Transfer	-			-
2012 - Out-State Employee Airfare		1,286.58		1,286.58
2013 - Out-State Employee Surface Transportation		188.00		188.00
2014 - Out-State Employee Lodging		2,354.28		2,354.28
2015 - Out-State Employee Meals and Incidentals		390.98		390.98
2019 - Out-State Non-Employee Lodging		1,159.88		1,159.88
2020 - Out-State Non-Employee Meals and Incidentals		342.00		342.00
2022 - Out-State Non-Employee Non-Taxable Reimbursement		366.97		366.97
2970 - Travel Cost Transfer		(2,080.65)		(2,080.65)
3000 - Training/Conferences			3,725.00	3,725.00
3045 - Postage			26.66	26.66
3085 - Inter-Agency Mail			70.38	70.38
3088 - Inter-Agency Legal			2,323.37	2,323.37
3970 - Contractual Transfer			-	-
Grand Total	141,329.41	4,008.04	6,145.41	151,482.86

Administrative Order No. 360

I, Mike Dunleavy, Governor of the State of Alaska, under the authority of Article III, Sections 1, 23, and 24 of the Constitution of the State of Alaska, hereby rescind Administrative Order 157 (Directives regarding Administrative Regulations in order to accomplish objectives) and Administrative Order 266 (establishing regulatory efficiency guidelines) and replace them with Administrative Order 360, the purpose of which is to improve the quality, transparency, and efficiency of the State's regulatory environment.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The State of Alaska is committed to growing its economic base, increasing its gross domestic product ("GDP"), and ensuring Alaskans have the freedom to do business, innovate, and pursue opportunities while complying with state and federal laws. Regulations are essential for interpreting and implementing these laws. However, the state's regulatory system has expanded over time, often adding layers of requirements without considering the burden imposed on Alaska's citizens and businesses. Alaska must be competitive on the world stage – including its regulatory framework – to attract investment and grow its economic base.

The public is best served when regulations are up-to-date, clearly written, account for impact on individual Alaskans and those doing business in the state and allow state agencies to facilitate implementation of laws in the most reasonable and cost-effective manner.

In light of the steady expansion of state regulatory requirements, I am announcing a statewide review of all existing regulations, guidance documents [1], and materials incorporated by reference to reduce unnecessary burdens on Alaska's citizens and businesses. I am also directing that all current guidance documents be published on the Alaska Online Public Notice System to ensure transparency and accountability.

[1] The term "guidance document" in this Order refers to documentation other than regulations produced by an agency often referred to as guidance documents, policies, interpretive bulletins, and the like.

GOALS

This Order is issued to achieve the following goals:

- Promote growth and investment in Alaska by reducing administrative and economic burdens associated with regulatory compliance, including removing barriers, finding solutions, and identifying alternative pathways.

- Streamline permitting processes and improve coordination and efficiency within all permitting departments, including the Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”), the Department of Environmental Conservation (“DEC”), and the Department of Fish and Game (“DFG”).
- Ensure boards and commissions adjust regulatory structures as necessary to maintain critical consumer protection while eliminating unnecessary barriers to entry for new professionals.
- Engage stakeholders early and continuously in the regulatory development and reform process.
- Ensure all regulations are clearly written, legally sound, and supported by a demonstrated need.
- Regularly evaluate existing regulations for effectiveness, redundancy, clarity, and impact.
- Reduce the regulatory burden on all Alaskans.

APPLICABILITY

This Order applies to all executive branch agencies, including departments, boards, commissions, and public corporations (hereafter referred to as “agencies”).

RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION

The following agencies (“implementing agencies”) are responsible for ensuring agency compliance with this Order:

- - **The Office of the Governor.** This office will provide oversight and ensure interagency cooperation.
 - **The Department of Law.** This department will coordinate the implementation of and ensure compliance with this Order pursuant to its role under AS 44.62. The Department of Law will provide the training and documentation to be used in implementing this Order.

ORDER

REGULATORY REDUCTION

Each agency shall:

Review existing regulations, guidance documents, and materials incorporated by reference to identify provisions that are outdated, redundant, or unclear.

Develop proposals for the revision, repeal, or streamlining of the regulations, guidance documents, and materials incorporated by reference identified above.

Reduce the number of regulatory requirements by 15 percent by December 31, 2026, and 25 percent (cumulative) by December 31, 2027.

AGENCY REGULATORY LIAISON

The **commissioner of each state department** shall designate an **Agency Regulatory Liaison** (“ARL”) to oversee regulatory reform for agencies housed within their department. Commissioners may designate more than one ARL when approved to do so by the Office of the Governor.

Each department’s ARL shall submit a quarterly progress report to the Office of the Governor, with copies to the Department of Law.

STAKEHOLDER AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Stakeholder feedback is essential and required at all stages of regulatory reform. Accordingly, each agency shall:

Solicit written and oral input from the public, affected industries, and community organizations regarding which regulations are the most burdensome and should be prioritized for reform, and how the agency’s regulatory system could be reorganized or simplified.

Document and publish stakeholder and public feedback and agency responses.

PERMITTING REFORM

To improve the efficiency and responsiveness of Alaska’s permitting systems, and to support responsible resource and economic development while protecting environmental and public interests, DNR, DEC, and DFG shall focus their initial regulatory reform efforts on permitting process reform. Accordingly, DNR, DEC, and DFG shall:

Review and revise permitting procedures to eliminate unnecessary steps, reduce duplicative reviews, simplify application requirements, streamline internal workflows, and clarify interagency roles to reduce inefficiencies and delays.

Adopt, in regulation, clear timelines and deadlines for permit application processing, review of milestones, and final decision making, including provisions for automatic approval if deadlines are not met.

Ensure transparent processes by making permit application statuses, timelines, and decision rationales available to applicants and the public, to the extent allowable by law.

Promote predictability in decision-making by applying regulatory standards consistently.

Leverage technology, such as artificial intelligence (“AI”), to support digitization, automation, and public access to permitting information.

GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

Agencies may not utilize or issue guidance documents unless the Department of Law has reviewed the documents and verified the documents (or portions thereof) are not required to be promulgated as a regulation.

Agencies shall post all guidance documents on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

STATE UNIFIED REGULATORY PLAN

Annually, all agencies shall submit to the Office of the Governor a projected regulatory plan that lists all anticipated rulemaking actions during the subsequent state fiscal year. The Office of the Governor shall approve individual agency plans. The Department of Law shall compile the approved agency plans into a single State Unified Regulatory Plan and post the plan on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

DURATION

This Administrative Order takes effect immediately and remains in effect until revoked.

DATED this 4th day of August 2025.

<https://gov.alaska.gov/admin-orders/administrative-order-no-360>

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Governor Mike Dunleavy
STATE OF ALASKA

September 22, 2025

The Honorable Gary Stevens
Senate President
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 111
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

SEP 22 2025

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority vested in me by Article II, Section 15, of the Alaska Constitution, I have vetoed the following bill:

CSSSSB 54(FIN)

“An Act relating to registered interior designers and interior design; relating to project costs for the construction, enlargement, or improvement of airports; extending the termination date of the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; relating to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; establishing requirements for the practice of registered interior design; relating to the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture, and registered interior design; relating to the scope of the certification requirements for architects, engineers, land surveyors, landscape architects, and registered interior designers; relating to immunity for design professionals; relating to the cost of construction for recreation centers; relating to liens for labor or materials furnished; relating to the procurement of landscape architectural and interior design services; relating to the cost of construction of safe water and hygienic sewage disposal facilities in villages; and providing for an effective date.”

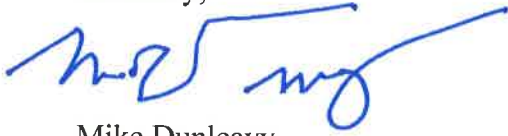
SB 54 goes well beyond a routine extension of the AELS Board. SB 54 would remove certified installers from most residential wastewater work and restrict them to only very small commercial systems. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation warns that this change would halt planned installations, force many small systems to be routed to licensed professional engineers, and add roughly \$1,000 to \$2,000 per system, with the sharpest impacts in rural Alaska where engineers are scarce. That means higher costs, longer waits, and fewer homes and businesses getting sanitation.

The Honorable Gary Stevens
September 22, 2025
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The bill would also repeal AS 36.30.270(e) and force qualifications-based selection only for design-build procurements, barring any consideration of price. Eliminating competitive pricing in design-build will drive up project costs and reduce flexibility across state construction.

Finally, SB 54 expands the AELS Board to thirteen members and creates a new licensure track for "registered interior designers." Interior design is not a regulated practice in Alaska today; the bill does not define "interior design," and there is no public-safety rationale for creating a new title and bureaucracy. The expansion increases cost and confusion without a demonstrated benefit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Dunleavy", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

Enclosure



LAWS OF ALASKA

2025

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Chapter No.

AN ACT

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

THE ACT FOLLOWS ON PAGE 1

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sewage disposal facilities in villages; and providing for an effective date.

* **Section 1.** AS 02.15.155 is amended to read:

Sec. 02.15.155. Project costs defined. In AS 02.15.120 - 02.15.155, "project costs" includes, in addition to costs directly related to the project, the sum total of all costs of financing and carrying out the project, including [, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,] the costs of all necessary studies, surveys, plans and specifications, architectural, engineering, **land surveying, landscape architectural, registered interior design,** or other special services, acquisition of real property, site preparation and development, purchase, construction, reconstruction and improvement of real property, and the acquisition of machinery and equipment as may be necessary in connection with the project; an allocable portion of the administrative and operating expenses of the grantee; the cost of financing the project, including interest on bonds issued to finance the project; and the cost of other items, including any indemnity and surety bonds and premiums on insurance, legal fees, fees and expenses of trustees, depositories, financial advisors, and paying agents for the bonds issued as the issuer considers necessary.

* **Sec. 2.** AS 08.03.010(c)(3) is amended to read:

(3) State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors (AS 08.48.011) - June 30, **2033** [2025];

* **Sec. 3.** AS 08.48.011(b) is amended to read:

(b) The board consists of **13** [11] members appointed by the governor having the qualifications as set out in AS 08.48.031. The board consists of

- (1)** two civil engineers;
- (2)** [,] two land surveyors;
- (3)** [,] one mining, **petroleum, or chemical** engineer;
- (4)** [,] one electrical **engineer**;
- (5)** **one** [OR] mechanical engineer;
- (6)** [,] one engineer from another branch of the profession of 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;

(5) a measure of the correspondence workload of staff.

* **Sec. 7.** AS 08.48.101 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(c) The board shall adopt regulations establishing

(1) a definition of "interior design" for the purposes of this chapter; a person may practice interior design without registration as a registered interior designer while not using the title "registered interior designer"; and

(2) the type of documents that a registered interior designer is authorized to sign and stamp with an official seal under AS 08.48.221 for the purpose of obtaining requisite permits for construction projects.

* **Sec. 8.** AS 08.48.111 is amended to read:

Sec. 08.48.111. Power to revoke, suspend, or reissue certificate. The board may suspend, refuse to renew, or revoke the certificate of or reprimand a registrant, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership who is found guilty of [(1)] fraud or deceit in obtaining a certificate; [(2)] gross negligence, incompetence, or misconduct in the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, [OR] landscape architecture, or registered interior design; or [(3)] a violation of this chapter, a regulation adopted under this chapter, or the code of ethics or professional conduct as adopted by the board. [THE CODE OF ETHICS OR PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN WRITING TO EVERY REGISTRANT AND APPLICANT FOR REGISTRATION UNDER THIS CHAPTER. THIS PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE CODE OF ETHICS OR PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT CONSTITUTES DUE NOTICE TO ALL REGISTRANTS.] The board may revise and amend its code and, upon doing so, shall immediately notify each registrant in writing of the revisions or amendments. The board may, upon petition of the registrant, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership, reissue a certificate if a majority of the members of the board vote in favor of the reissuance.

* **Sec. 9.** AS 08.48.171 is amended to read:

Sec. 08.48.171. General requirements and qualifications for registration.

An applicant for registration as an architect, engineer, land surveyor, [OR] landscape 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** buildings or structures whose primary use is public
19 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

costs of all necessary studies, surveys, plans and specifications, architectural, engineering, land surveying, landscape architectural, or other special services, acquisition of real property, site preparation and development, purchase, construction, reconstruction, and improvement of real property, and the acquisition of machinery and equipment as may be necessary in connection with the project; an allocable portion of the administrative and operating expenses of the grantee; the cost of financing the project, including interest on bonds issued to finance the project; and the cost of other items, including any indemnity and surety bonds and premiums on insurance, legal fees, fees and expenses of trustees, depositaries, financial advisors, and paying agents for the bonds issued as the issuer considers necessary.

* **Sec. 44.** AS 08.48.011(c) and AS 36.30.270(e) are repealed.

* **Sec. 45.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

TRANSITION: BOARD APPOINTMENT. Notwithstanding AS 08.48.031, an interior designer appointed to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors under AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, must be certified by the Council for Interior Design Qualification and have resided in the state for at least two years immediately preceding appointment. On and after the effective date of sec. 4 of this Act, an interior designer appointed to the board under AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, may continue to occupy the seat on the board reserved for the registered interior designer until a registered interior designer is appointed to the seat. An interior designer appointed to the board under AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, is eligible for reappointment to the board on or after the effective date of sec. 4 of this Act if the interior designer meets the requirements of AS 08.48.011(b), as amended by sec. 4 of this Act.

* **Sec. 46.** Sections 3 and 45 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

* **Sec. 47.** Section 29 of this Act and AS 08.48.331(d), enacted by sec. 30 of this Act, take effect January 1, 2026.

* **Sec. 48.** Except as provided in secs. 46 and 47 of this Act, this Act takes effect July 1, 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,

association, utility, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership, who practices engineering, architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture involved in the operation of the employer's business only [, AND FURTHER] if neither the employee nor the employer offers engineering, architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture services to the public; exclusions under this paragraph do not apply **to an officer or employee practicing engineering, architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture on**

(A) [TO] buildings or structures whose primary use is public occupancy; **or**

(B) natural gas pipelines; in this subparagraph, "natural gas pipeline" has the meaning given in AS 31.25.390;

(11) a person while involved in revegetation, restoration, reclamation, rehabilitation, or erosion control for disturbed land that the board determines does not affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

(12) a person while maintaining or directing the placement of plant material that the board determines does not affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

(13) an employee, officer, or agent of a regulatory agency of the state or a municipality when reviewing drawings and specifications for compliance with the building codes of the state or a municipality if the drawings and specifications have been sealed and signed by an architect, engineer, land surveyor, or landscape architect or the preparation of the drawings and specifications is exempt under this section from the requirements of this chapter; in this paragraph, "building codes" includes codes relating to building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire safety standards, and zoning;

(14) a person who is designing fire protection systems and is authorized by the Department of Public Safety to design fire protection systems;

(15) a person who is

(A) authorized to construct, install, or modify a conventional onsite wastewater system by the Department of Environmental Conservation under AS 46.03.100; and

(B) constructing, installing, or modifying a conventional

onsite wastewater system that serves a commercial facility and has a design flow of 500 gallons of wastewater a day or less.

* **Sec. 6.** AS 08.48.331 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(c) The Department of Environmental Conservation may adopt regulations limiting the locations in the state in which (a)(15) of this section applies.

* **Sec. 7.** AS 23.30.017(c)(1) is amended to read:

(1) "design professional" means a person registered under AS 08.48 as an architect, engineer, [OR] land surveyor, **or landscape architect**;

* **Sec. 8.** AS 34.35.050 is amended to read:

Sec. 34.35.050. Lien for labor or materials furnished. A person has a lien, only to the extent provided under this chapter, to secure the payment of the contract price if the person

(1) performs labor **on** [UPON] real property at the request of the owner or the agent of the owner for the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement;

(2) is a trustee of an employee benefit trust for the benefit of individuals performing labor on the building or improvement and has a direct contract with the owner or the agent of the owner for direct payments into the trust;

(3) furnishes materials that are delivered to real property under a contract with the owner or the agent of the owner that are incorporated in the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement;

(4) furnishes equipment that is delivered to and used **on** [UPON] real property under a contract with the owner or the agent of the owner for the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement;

(5) performs services under a contract with the owner or the agent of the owner in connection with the preparation of plans, surveys, or architectural, [OR] engineering, **or landscape architectural** plans or drawings for the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvement, whether or not actually implemented on that property; or

(6) is a general contractor.

* **Sec. 9.** AS 36.30.270(a) is amended to read:

(a) Notwithstanding conflicting provisions of AS 36.30.100 - 36.30.260, a procurement officer shall negotiate a contract for an agency with the most qualified and suitable firm or person of demonstrated competence for architectural, engineering, [OR] land surveying, or landscape architectural services. The procurement officer shall award a contract for those services at fair and reasonable compensation as determined by the procurement officer, after consideration of the estimated value of the services to be rendered, and the scope, complexity, and professional nature of the services. When determining the most qualified and suitable firm or person, the procurement officer shall consider the

(1) proximity to the project site of the office of the firm or person unless federal law prohibits this factor from being considered in the awarding of the contract; and

(2) employment practices of the firm or person with regard to women and minorities.

* **Sec. 10.** AS 36.30.270(d) is amended to read:

(d) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, a procurement officer may include price as an added factor in selecting architectural, engineering, [AND] land surveying, and landscape architectural services when, in the judgment of the procurement officer, the services required are repetitious in nature, and the scope, nature, and amount of services required are thoroughly defined by measurable and objective standards to reasonably enable firms or persons making proposals to compete with a clear understanding and interpretation of the services required. In order to include price as a factor in selection, a majority of the persons involved by the procurement officer in evaluation of the proposals must be registered in the state to perform architectural, engineering, [OR] land surveying, or landscape architectural services.

* **Sec. 11.** AS 36.30.305(e) is amended to read:

(e) Architectural, engineering, [AND] land survey, and landscape architectural contracts under AS 36.30.270 may not be made under this section.

* **Sec. 12.** AS 08.48.011(c) is repealed.

* **Sec. 13.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2025.

1. Summary

Meeting title	AEELS Investigative Advisory Committee
Attended participants	7
Start time	9/25/25, 11:51:50 AM
End time	9/25/25, 1:01:46 PM
Meeting duration	1h 9m 55s
Average attendance time	57m 35s

2. Participants

Name	First Join	Last Leave
Bonnell, Joseph K (CED)	9/25/25, 11:51:53 AM	9/25/25, 1:01:46 PM
Jasper Blair (External)	9/25/25, 11:59:01 AM	9/25/25, 1:01:39 PM
Colin Maynard	9/25/25, 11:59:04 AM	9/25/25, 1:01:34 PM
Homestead, Billy (CED)	9/25/25, 12:00:48 PM	9/25/25, 1:01:42 PM
Paul Baril (External)	9/25/25, 12:08:28 PM	9/25/25, 1:01:33 PM
Leonetti, Ed (External)	9/25/25, 12:13:16 PM	9/25/25, 1:01:34 PM
Kase, Patrick F (CED)	9/25/25, 12:15:44 PM	9/25/25, 1:01:36 PM

1. Summary

Meeting title	AELS Education Committee
Attended participants	14
Start time	9/23/25, 11:50:20 AM
End time	9/23/25, 12:45:29 PM
Meeting duration	55m 8s
Average attendance time	45m 29s

2. Participants

Name	First Join	Last Leave
Bonnell, Joseph K (CED)	9/23/25, 11:56:20 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:29 PM
John Barry	9/23/25, 11:57:18 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:20 PM
Colin Maynard	9/23/25, 11:57:19 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:15 PM
Billy Connor	9/23/25, 11:57:19 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:13 PM
Kenrick Mock (External)	9/23/25, 11:58:47 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:14 PM
William Schnabel (External)	9/23/25, 11:59:28 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:17 PM
Brian R. Gutierrez (External)	9/23/25, 11:59:35 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:13 PM
Sean Holland (Unverified)	9/23/25, 11:59:42 AM	9/23/25, 12:45:13 PM
Sterling Strait	9/23/25, 12:00:09 PM	9/23/25, 12:45:17 PM
Skyler Kern (Unverified)	9/23/25, 12:00:10 PM	9/23/25, 12:45:17 PM
Matt Bray (Unverified)	9/23/25, 12:00:22 PM	9/23/25, 12:45:14 PM
Anindita Banerjee (External)	9/23/25, 12:00:32 PM	9/23/25, 12:45:11 PM
Derek J Barbee (External)	9/23/25, 12:04:40 PM	9/23/25, 12:45:13 PM
Doug Goering (Unverified)	9/23/25, 12:05:06 PM	9/23/25, 12:45:16 PM

AEELS Education Committee Report

September 2025

- Folks attended from AEELS Education committee, UAA, UAF, and UW.
 - Attendance Report Available
- Opening presentation for background
 - Slides Available
- Current State of CRC Classes:
 - UAA
 - Three courses offered
 - Undergrad course – not widely attended for CRC requirement
 - Northern Design
 - In-Person and Online
 - Once or twice a year
 - 10 – 30 students
 - Arctic Design Short Course
 - Three offerings a year
 - Around 100 students per session
 - UAF
 - Arctic Engineering Course
 - Offered twice a year
 - 20 – 25 students
 - Focus on civil topics
 - UW
 - Cold Regions Engineering
 - In-Person, 5- day course
 - 20 – 30 students
- Discussion:
 - Are courses required to be instructor-led?
 - All current CRC course have an instructor
 - Fully on-demand, or asynchronous, courses do not necessarily have an assigned instructor
 - Students miss out on interaction
 - UW – majority of other courses are fully asynchronous without an instructor
 - Can AEELS provide statistics on which disciplines are applying?
 - Action: Staff will pull these stats for the last 5 years and send out to meeting attendees?
 - How can institutes be sure a course they are developing will be approved by the AEELS Board?
 - Education Committee can review and approve preliminary class design
 - Future committee meetings will check in with institutions to gauge progress



Enhancing the Benefits Cold Regions Engineering Course Requirement



- Problem Statement
- Summary of CRE Requirement
- Proposals for Improvement

Education Partners



Anecdotal Problem

- CRE requirement prevents/delays individuals from getting licensed in Alaska
- CRE course does not provide meaningful education
 - “Why do I need to know how to design an ice road?”



Improvement Goals:

- 1) Increase accessibility of courses
 - Reduce a barrier to entry

- 2) Expand relevance of design topics
 - Applicable to more professions



Why do we require CRE Course?

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



- Required for Competence in Alaska Conditions
 - Alaska Specific: Permafrost, permafrost, permafrost
 - Cold & Dark
- Strong Agreement from Professional Community
 - Necessary for working in Alaska



What Exactly is Required?

12 AAC 36.110. COLD REGIONS DESIGN REQUIREMENT. (a) An applicant for registration as an architect, engineer, or landscape architect must have successfully completed a board-approved university-level course in cold regions design or its equivalent.

- Performance Requirement
 - Board does not specify course components
 - ‘University-Level’ course
- Flexibility in Topic
 - Cold regions design or equivalent

Proposals for Improvement :

- Expand Course Accessibility
- Broaden Course Topics



Expand Course Accessibility:

- Fully online course – can be taken from anywhere
- Available On-Demand – unconstrained by semester scheduling



Goal: Applicant can complete the Cold Regions Design Course requirement within 30 days of initiating their licensure process.

Broaden Course Topics:

- Wide range of topics for Cold Regions Design
- High level insight on multiple topics

Proposed List of **Core Competencies**



Goal: All disciplines gain understanding for how their design profession is affected by the cold region environment.



An Aside: Depth vs Breadth

- Is CRE to teach mastery or awareness?
- Should CRE be a depth course on single discipline?
- Should CRE be a broad course on all disciplines?
- What do we consider minimally competent?

Current options are in-depth courses.



Proposed 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
 - i) Snow storage
- 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
- 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) Seasonal limitations
- b) Logistics
- c) Low Temp Materials
- d) Working at low temperatures

Proposals for Improvement :

- Expand Course Accessibility
 - Fully On-Line
 - Available On-Demand
- Broaden Course Topics
 - Core Competencies





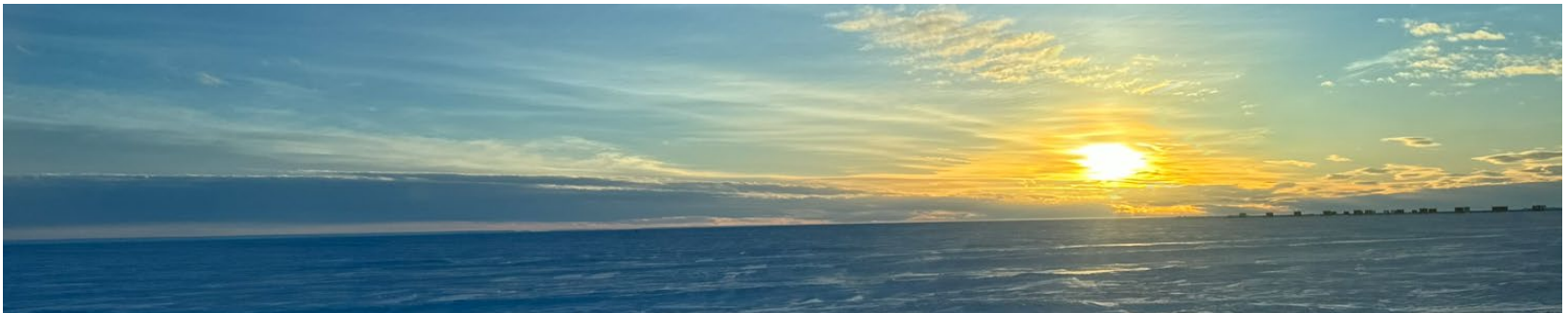
Discussion:

Education Partners



UAA College of Engineering
UNIVERSITY of ALASKA ANCHORAGE

W UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON



1. Summary

Meeting title	AELS Outreach Committee
Attended participants	5
Start time	10/07/25, 11:49:42 AM
End time	10/07/25, 12:32:43 PM
Meeting duration	43m 1s
Average attendance time	22m 10s

2. Participants

Name	First Join	Last Leave
Bonnell, Joseph K (CED)	10/07/25, 11:49:44 AM	10/07/25, 12:32:43 PM
Samson Shepherd (External)	10/07/25, 11:56:55 AM	10/07/25, 12:32:33 PM
Sterling Strait	10/07/25, 12:02:53 PM	10/07/25, 12:32:35 PM
brad (Unverified)	10/07/25, 12:07:25 PM	10/07/25, 12:09:58 PM
19072307724 (Unverified)	10/07/25, 12:16:05 PM	10/07/25, 12:16:08 PM

1. Summary

Meeting title	AEELS Decoupling Special Committee
Attended participants	6
Start time	9/22/25, 11:45:34 AM
End time	9/22/25, 12:40:54 PM
Meeting duration	55m 19s
Average attendance time	37m 6s

2. Participants

Name	First Join	Last Leave
Bonnell, Joseph K (CED)	9/22/25, 11:45:36 AM	9/22/25, 12:40:54 PM
John Barry	9/22/25, 11:48:35 AM	9/22/25, 12:40:43 PM
19079521977 (Unverified)	9/22/25, 11:58:25 AM	9/22/25, 12:06:46 PM
Sterling Strait	9/22/25, 11:58:41 AM	9/22/25, 12:40:41 PM
Monica (Unverified)	9/22/25, 12:06:47 PM	9/22/25, 12:40:44 PM
Johnston, Elizabeth T. (External)	9/22/25, 12:09:46 PM	9/22/25, 12:40:40 PM

AELS Board - Ongoing Action Item List					Priority: 1) Next 30 days 2) Before next meeting 3) 6 - 12 months
Date	Strategic Plan Reference	Priority	Assigned	Item Description	Status
5/8/2024	2(a)	2	Investigative committee	Develop an 'inspection checklist' to guide investigators through a proactive construction site AELS check	Ongoing
8/22/2024	2(c)	3	Legislative liaison committee	Review CEU regulations to identify issues with reinstating registrants who renew late and understand why being under audit changes one's ability to renew their license.	Ongoing
8/22/2024	2(a)	2	Investigative Committee	Establish plan to have investigator proactively check on lapsed COA's to determine if they are still practicing. Also, use the 'phone book' (google?) to look for entities offering AELS services and ensuring they have an active COA.	Ongoing
11/14/2024			Legislative liaison committee	Past expired license regulation project	Duplicate
11/14/2024		2	Education Committee	Reach out to UAA re: core competencies	Duplicate
2/12/2025			Staff	Update policy to allow for an Environmental Engineering degree to obtain a CE license	Complete
2/12/2025			Staff	Update policy to allow Computer Engineering & Computer science degrees to get an EE license	Complete
2/12/2025			Education Committee	Review full list of degrees in policy to see if there are any other ABET degrees that should be included in list	Complete
2/12/2025			Outreach Committee	Discuss how to educate community on not proposing without license	Duplicate
2/12/2025			Special Committee	Special Committee on decoupling: Barry,Becket-Johnston & Strait	Complete
2/12/2025			C. Maynard	Reg project: FE Waiver	Complete
2/12/2025			Staff	Compile historical information on business proposing and contracting for work in Alaska prior to obtaining a license. Request opinion from department of law	Complete
2/12/2025			Emeritus Committee	Send in emeritus status to NCEES	Complete
2/12/2025		2	Investigative Committee	Barrier crime discussion on a board policy	Ongoing
5/21/2025	1(b)	3	Staff	Ensure future graduate letters are distributed to all professions. Review which universities to send letters to during next February board meeting.	Ongoing
5/21/2025	1(a)	1	Colin, Paul, Ed Staff to Coordinate	Request an exemption to allow AELS board members to travel and attend national organization meetings. One letter each for NCEES, CLARB, and NCARB.	Complete
5/21/2025	1(a)	3	Colin	Testify on behalf of the AELS Board in support of HB158/SB145 on temporary licensure	Ongoing
5/21/2025	1(a)	1	Staff	Division and Staff to give notice to board members if/when a military exemption license is imminent.	Ongoing
5/21/2025	1(a)	1	Colin Maynard	Memo to Division (Glenn) explaining AELS Board opinion on the importance of the Cold Regions Design course for ensuring licensees can protect public health, safety, and welfare.	Complete
5/21/2025	1(d)	1	Staff	Send out email to mailing list notifying licensees of open AELS Board positions	Ongoing
5/21/2025	2(a)	1	Jeff Garness	Letter to the office of the governor requesting that the regulation project continues to move forward.	Ongoing
5/21/2025	2(a)	2	Staff	Poll the MBA Forum: How do other states deal with individuals applying for a license after they have already agreed to work a project in the jurisdiction?	Ongoing
5/21/2025	2(a)	2	Staff	Poll the MBA Forum: How do other states deal with Naval Architects and Marine Engineers? Do ships built in their jurisdiction require this PE license?	Ongoing
5/21/2025	1(d)	3	Staff	Update Work Experience Verification form to collect discipline specific information on verifier.	Ongoing
5/22/2025	2(a)	2	Investigative Committee	Create a table on 'Moral Turpitude' for crimes which could prevent granting a license. Update 36.320 to include language referring to such criminal activities.	Ongoing
5/22/2025	2(a)	2	Outreach Committee	Draft letter to State agencies outlining what activities require licensure and noting RFP requirements	Ongoing
5/22/2025	1(a)	2	Education Committee	Issue request to UAA, UAF, UW requesting a course covering the core competencies in an on-demand format	Ongoing
5/22/2025	1(a)	3	Special Survey Committee	Research curriculum for land survey programs at universities. Compare to what UAA offers. Determine the typical number of credits required to graduate.	Ongoing
5/22/2025	1(a)	3	Staff	Research historical data on licensure for the number of surveyors 20 years ago vs 10 years ago vs today	Ongoing
5/22/2025	1(a)	2	Decoupling Committee	Propose regulation changes to allow applicants to take the PE exam prior to obtaining work experience.	Ongoing
5/22/2025	2(c)	2	Staff	Update website to add CEU log and self study report	Ongoing
8/5/2025	2(c)	1	Board members	Required CE Audit review	New
8/5/2025	2(b)	1	Chair	ID Regulation Waiver request	New
8/5/2025	1(d)	1	Staff	Announce Board vacancies	New
8/5/2025	1(d)	1	Chair	Field Design Letter for review by the Board	New
8/5/2025	1(d)	1	Garness and Staff	Review Seals Regulations	New
8/5/2025	1(d)	1	Staff	Request additional information re: Fayzul Kabir	New

Regulatory Reduction Guide

*A Guide for Achieving the 25% Regulatory Requirement Reduction under
Governor Dunleavy's Administrative Order 360*



[Administrative Order 360](#) requires that Alaska agencies achieve a 25% reduction in regulatory requirements. This guide is intended to help agencies achieve that goal.

Which agencies are required to reduce regulatory requirements by 25%?

The 25% reduction applies to all executive branch agencies, including departments, boards, commissions, and public corporations (hereafter referred to as "agencies"). Each agency that has statutory authority to issue regulations and has issued one or more regulations in the past must reduce its regulatory requirements by 15% by December 31, 2026, and 25% by December 31, 2027.

Which requirements are subject to the 25% reduction goal?

The 25% reduction goal applies to *discretionary* regulatory requirements that agencies adopt. It does not apply to regulations that are mandated by state statutes, federal statutes or regulations, or orders issued by state or federal courts. If, however, the implementing regulation requires additional steps not mandated by a statute, such as perhaps requiring an application to be notarized, then that additional requirement is not mandatory but is in fact a discretionary requirement which must be counted.

Though agencies do not have to count existing regulatory requirements mandated by statute towards their total number of requirements or new requirements mandated by statute as increases, they can claim credit for regulatory *reductions* that are mandated by statute.

What counts as a regulatory requirement?

To achieve a 25% reduction in requirements, agencies must first determine what counts as a regulatory requirement. Agencies need to calculate both the total number of existing requirements, the *baseline*, and the number of requirements that are added or eliminated by their regulatory changes. For instance, if an agency starts with 1000 requirements, adds 100 new requirements in the next three years, and deletes 400 other requirements over the same period, for a net reduction of 30%, then it has met its 25% reduction goal.¹

This guide cannot address every situation that agencies might confront, so please consult with your Agency Regulatory Liaison if you come across a situation that requires guidance.

¹ Here's the math: $1000 + 100 - 400 = 700$. That involves a net reduction of 300 requirements ($1000 - 700$), which is a 30% reduction ($300/1000$).

Defining a Regulatory Requirement

A regulatory requirement requires another party to do (or not do) something. Often, regulatory requirements will include words like "shall," "must," "will," or "may not." If a regulatory requirement is found in a guidance document, it must either be removed or promulgated as a regulation.

When identifying regulatory requirements, the key questions are "does this impose a burden on another party by requiring it to act or refrain from acting?" or "does this impose a standard used by the agency in dealing with the public?" If so, it is likely a requirement.²

For guidance documents specifically, each agency should calculate the total number of words in their guidance documents and they will receive credit for reducing the size of the documents.

Multi-Element Subsections

Agencies should count each element that requires a party to take a discrete action as a separate requirement, even if there are multiple elements embedded in a single section or subsection. Consider, for instance, the following:

11 AAC 09.030. State Recreation Rivers System; Generally allowed uses.

...

(2)(A)(i) the total surface area of the dock is not more than 100 square feet (+1); the dock does not extend more than 15 feet from the water body's edge at any water level (+1), and the walkway, ladder, or ramp connecting the dock to the shore is no more than four feet wide (+1);

Each item in the list is a distinct requirement. Therefore, each item should be counted.

If, however, a section or subsection includes a variety of different options but only imposes one requirement, the options do not need to be counted separately. Here's an example:

11 AAC 09.030. State Recreation Rivers System; Generally allowed uses.

(1) travel or travel-related activities, as follows:

(A) hiking, backpacking, skiing, climbing, or other foot travel;

(B) bicycling;

(C) travel by horse or dogsled or with pack animals; (+1)

The provision imposes only one discrete requirement by defining travel or travel-related activities.

² Agencies should keep track of all requirements, including those that are statutorily mandated. While the mandated requirements are not subject to the reduction baseline, it is useful to keep track of other requirements, as doing so allows the legislature to identify opportunities for reducing legislatively mandated burdens.

Similarly, if a regulation lists multiple different ways to violate a requirement but a regulated party would generally only do one of the things listed, then the entire provision should only be counted as one requirement. Consider this example:

11 AAC 18.010. Park Uses; Special park use permits.

- (a) No person may promote, organize, or engage in any of the following activities in a state park without a permit: (+1)
- (1) an organized or promoted assembly of more than 20 persons; (+1)
 - (2) any promotional or entertainment event, including an organized athletic event, competitive recreational event, or spectator event, whether or not an admission fee is charged; (+1)

First, no one can "promote, organize, or engage" in multiple activities at a state park; this would just count as one requirement since all three terms basically describe similar activities and they are meant to broadly describe "activities." The twenty-person requirement is a separate defining requirement. The list in (a)(2), however, is a list and the permittee is likely to only meet one of the requirements listed.

Language that Elaborates on a Requirement

Agencies do not need to count language that elaborates on a requirement as itself being a discrete requirement. An example appears below:

18 AAC 76.200. Alaska Drinking Water Fund; Purpose.

- (b) Except as otherwise provided by the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Alaska drinking water fund may be used only as provided in 42 U.S.C. 300j-12(a)(2) for drinking water projects, including projects to plan, design, build, construct, or rehabilitate a public drinking water collection, storage, treatment, or distribution system. (+1)

In this provision, the only requirement is that the fund be used for a drinking water project. The following examples are only an elaboration of the requirement. An applicant will not need to meet each project type. *Language that is Ambiguous as to Whether Action is Required*

As noted above, regulatory requirements will not always involve language stating that a party "shall" or "must" take some action. In some cases, the regulation will use language such as "should" or "may," but it still imposes a binding obligation. Consider the following example:

11 AAC 12.130. State Park Land and Water Restrictions Pets.

(b) No person may have a dog or other pet that creates excessive noise, a public safety hazard, or unsanitary conditions in a developed facility of a state park. (+1)

Although the language uses the word "may," it is still a requirement when taken into account with the preceding language "No person." It should be counted as a regulatory requirement.

Programs Involving Optional Participation

In some cases, regulations provide regulated parties with an option to comply but impose requirements on all parties who elect to comply. Agencies should still tabulate any language that imposes a mandatory obligation on a party that chooses to participate as a regulatory requirement.

18 AAC 65.025. Litter Reduction and Resource Recovery Grants; Application and review procedure.

(a) Beginning with fiscal year 1982, on or before October 1 of each year, the department will provide public notice of the availability of grants for the purposes set out in 18 AAC 65.010.

(b) A complete grant application submitted under this chapter must contain (0)
(1) the name, address, and the telephone number of the applicant, the name of a contact person representing the applicant, and an explanation of the applicant's eligibility to apply for a grant under 18 AAC 65.010; (+3)

The decision to apply for the grant is optional and does not count as a requirement. However, requirements within the application are considered requirements. In this example, the applicant's identifying information is one requirement and the applicant's eligibility status is a separate requirement.

Prohibited Actions

A requirement *not* to do something is equivalent to a requirement to take some action. Any discrete prohibition from taking some action should therefore count as a regulatory requirement. Consider this example:

18 AAC 32.060. Raw milk and raw milk product.

Except as provided in 18 AAC 32.010(c), a milk producer may not allow raw milk or a raw milk product, including cream from raw milk, to be removed from the dairy farm unless (+1)

(1) the product is being transported directly to a milk processing plant with a permit issued under 18 AAC 32.030 or by another state; (+1)

In this example, the milk producer may not allow the raw milk products to be removed from the dairy; this is an imposed requirement. The second sentence allowing the removal if there is a permit becomes a second requirement.

Requirements in Materials Adopted by Reference

Alaska law allows agencies to impose binding obligations by referring to a document outside of the Alaska Administrative Code (AS 44.62.245). An example of materials *adopted by reference* appears below³:

18 AAC 62.410. Treatment Storage and Disposal; Standards applicable to an owner or operator of a hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facility.

Regulations of the federal government applicable to the owner or operator of a hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facility, including standards for universal waste management, promulgated and published as 40 C.F.R. Part 264, 40 C.F.R. Part 265, and 40 C.F.R. Part 273.60 - 273.62, as revised as of July 1, 2002, are adopted by reference.

In this case, the agency is requiring regulated parties to comply with all the requirements included in each of the documents being referenced. The agency must therefore go through the entirety of each of these documents and count every single requirement they contain using the methodology described above.

In many cases, an agency will not necessarily intend that regulated parties comply with every single requirement in each document incorporated by reference. If that is the case, the regulation should explicitly identify the portions that the agency intends to be binding on regulated parties. As part of the process of reviewing their regulations, agencies must go through each incorporated document and decide whether they intend all the requirements to be binding. If not, agencies must modify their regulations to identify with greater specificity which portions of the documents they reference are binding.

Agencies must also periodically review the documents to ensure that they reflect the most up-to-date versions. In the example provided above, for instance, they referred to federal regulations from 2002. As agencies review their regulations, they must update their incorporated documents to verify that the appropriate version is referenced. Sometimes, for example, federal agencies or other organizations may delete older versions of documents rendering their referencing obsolete.

³ Note that the provision in this example was repealed June 1, 2025.

What types of actions count towards the 25% reduction goal?

Regulatory reduction is not a "one-size-fits-all" process. There are many ways that an agency can go about reducing regulatory burdens, and the Governor wants to make sure that agencies consider all of them and get credit for any reduction they undertake.

Eliminating Discrete Requirements

The most straightforward way of reducing the burden is simply by eliminating requirements. When agencies revisit their regulations, they should carefully review each provision and decide if any requirements should be eliminated. In so doing, agencies should be mindful of the important role of regulations in promoting public health, safety, and welfare, and developing our natural resources, and should not eliminate any requirements that are critical to protecting the public and the environment.

There are often numerous, unnecessary requirements that simply impose an unnecessary burden on businesses, the public, and the agencies themselves. Reporting requirements can be an example of unnecessary and burdensome regulations. Some reporting may be necessary to ensure that regulated parties are in compliance, but other reports may involve nothing more than a box-checking exercise.

Agencies must carefully consider all the discrete requirements in each of their regulations and decide what is truly necessary and what is not. As part of this process, agencies must undertake active outreach to the regulated community. Businesses and individuals who must fill out forms, file reports, undergo required trainings, and undertake a variety of other government-mandated tasks have the best sense of the burden regulations impose.

Reducing Regulatory Burdens

Though eliminating unnecessary regulatory requirements is important, there are many other ways to reduce regulatory burdens. Consider, for instance, a requirement that an applicant for a professional license complete 1000 hours of training before he or she can be certified. Some training is necessary, so the requirement should not be eliminated completely, but 1000 hours may be excessive. Requiring 500 hours of training, for instance, may be sufficient. By making this change, the agency is reducing the regulatory burden by 50% (1000 minus 500 hours).

There are many ways that agencies can *reduce* regulatory burdens rather than eliminating them completely, including the following.

- Reducing the required training hours (example cited above).
- Reducing the number of forms regulated parties must fill out or shortening the forms.
- Reducing a license fee, fine, or other monetary expense imposed by a regulation.
- Reducing the areas that are subject to the regulation.

- Creating a waiver or exemption or extending it to additional regulated parties.
- Other efficiencies and administrative reductions created by the department.

Each of these involves a reduction in regulatory burden, but they are reducing different aspects of regulatory burdens (hours, paperwork, cost, scope). That can make it difficult to determine *how much* the regulatory burden is being reduced. Oftentimes these reductions can be monetized.

If your agency is considering changing a regulatory requirement in a way that reduces costs, promotes market competition, or makes it easier to achieve regulatory compliance but that does not reduce the overall number of regulatory requirements or it produces savings that can be monetized, please contact your Agency Regulatory Liaison who will work with the Office of the Governor to ensure the department receives credit toward their overall reduction goal. The important goal to remember through this process is to reduce the regulatory burdens on all Alaskans, whether they are mandates, direct costs, or overly lengthy documents. We will work with you to ensure your agency receives the credit they are due.

Other Deregulatory Actions

There may be a handful of cases in which an agency is modifying a regulatory requirement but is not eliminating it completely and cannot easily calculate the monetary value of reducing the associated burden. For instance, as noted above, there may be instances in which an agency creates a new approach to achieving compliance that adds new regulatory provisions but actually decreases the overall burden on regulated parties.

Agencies may also sometimes replace so-called "design standards," which tell regulated parties exactly what they must do, with "performance standards," which set a goal and leave it up to the regulated parties to decide how to achieve it. In this case, it may not be possible to determine the associated cost savings until the agency calculates the cost of whatever new compliance approaches regulated parties come up with.

If your agency is considering changing a regulatory requirement in a way that promotes market competition or makes it easier to achieve regulatory compliance but that does not reduce the overall number of regulatory requirements or produce savings that can be monetized, please contact your Agency Regulatory Liaison who will work with the Office of the Governor to ensure the department receives credit toward their overall reduction goal.

Actions that Do Not Count Towards the 25% Reduction Goal

Temporary changes in regulatory requirements do not count towards the 25% reduction target. Merely *delaying* a regulation also does not count towards the 25% reduction target.

When does a reduction count towards the 25% goal?

Administrative Order 360 mandates a 25% reduction in regulatory requirements by December 31, 2027.

A reduction in requirements does not officially count towards the 25% goal until it is completely final. That is to say, the change must have gone through the entire regulatory process.

How does the 25% reduction goal apply to guidance documents?

Guidance documents are intended to *explain* requirements contained in statutes or regulations or to provide background information; they may not contain requirements governing regulated parties that must be reflected in regulation.⁴

Agencies should strive to keep guidance documents short, simple, accurate, and up to date. Allowing guidance documents to become stale or failing to rescind inaccurate or irrelevant guidance can create significant confusion for the regulated community and the general public. In many cases, agencies have issued new guidance documents without necessarily rescinding older versions. In that light, agencies should also strive to reduce the *length* of their guidance documents.

Of course, agencies should not cut language that is valuable to understanding regulatory requirements. For example, cutting illustrative examples or making specific language more vague may shorten a guidance document's overall length but would make it less useful to the public. But guidance documents often contain extraneous or redundant information that can be eliminated. In addition, agencies often issue multiple guidance documents on the same subject, and consolidating those documents will both eliminate confusion and reduce the amount of text that the public must read.

Agencies will receive credit towards the 25% reduction requirement for reducing the number of pages in a guidance document.

What information should be provided to show a 25% reduction?

Agencies will need to do two things to ensure that they receive credit for their regulatory reduction and streamlining efforts. First, they need to calculate the total number of regulatory requirements in the Alaska Administrative Code sections they issue and the total number of pages of all their guidance documents.

Using the counting methodology described above, agencies should come up with a number for regulatory requirements and a separate number for length of guidance documents and report it to

⁴ If an agency identifies unique regulatory requirements contained in guidance documents as part of its efforts to review existing materials, it must move those requirements into regulation.

their Agency Regulatory Liaison by October 13, 2025.

Second, agencies will need to track any regulatory action that involves adding or eliminating regulatory requirements or shortening or lengthening the number of pages in guidance documents. Depending on the type of change the agency is undertaking, it should report the following pieces of information:

Type of Change	What to Report	Example
Eliminating (or Adding) Regulatory Requirements	Agency should report the original number of requirements and the new number in the Alaska Administrative Code section(s)	Agency eliminates a requirement that forms be notarized
Decreasing (or Increasing) Regulatory Costs	Agency should report the original total cost, and the new total cost associated with the requirement(s) it is amending	Agency reduces a fee from \$200 to \$100
Reducing (or Increasing) Regulatory Burdens in a Non-Monetizable Way	Agency should describe the change and how it will reduce (or increase) burdens	Agency replaces a design standard with a performance standard
Reducing (or Increasing) Length of Guidance Documents	Agency should report page length of both the original and amended guidance documents	Agency shortens a previously 10-page guidance document to 4-pages

In determining whether or not an agency has met its 25% goal, the Office of the Governor will provide "full credit" for any requirement an agency eliminates completely. For regulatory burdens an agency reduces, the Office of the Governor will provide "partial credit" using the cost data or other information the agency provides. For example, if an agency reduces a fee from \$200 to \$100, the regulatory stringency has been reduced by half, and it will thereafter be counted as "0.5 requirements" rather than "1 requirement." When an agency reduces the burden of a requirement in a non-monetizable way, the Office of the Governor will work with the agency to ensure it gets proper credit towards the 25% reduction.

In addition, for those regulations that are not eliminated entirely but that are modified to reduce overall stringency, the Office of the Governor will monitor agencies' reduction efforts and look for opportunities to highlight those agencies' good work.



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PROBATION REPORT

DATE: October 24, 2025
TO: AEL - State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, Land Surveyors
THROUGH: William "Billy" Homestead, Senior Investigator *BH*
FROM: Dannie Kerfeld, Investigator
SUBJECT: Probation Report for the November 4, 2025 Meeting.

The following information was compiled as a Probation report to the Board for the period of July 24, 2025 thru October 24, 2025; This report includes probationers who are in compliance with their agreements; non compliant probationers and probationer requests to the Board.

There are currently **One (1)** licensees on probation as of the date of this report. Since the last probation report, **Zero (0)** licensees were released from probation.

The following is a complete list of individuals on probation for this Board that are in compliance with their Board agreements.

Name	Case Number	Start of Probation	End of Probation
Floyd TETPON	2021-000056	04/17/2025	04/17/2026

The following is a complete list of individuals on probation for this Board that are not in compliance with their Board agreements.

Name	Case Number	Start of Probation	End of Probation	Disposition Date
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The following is a complete list of individuals on probation for this Board that are suspended.

Name	Case Number	Start of Probation	End of Probation	Disposition Date
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The following is a complete list of individuals on Non-Disciplinary Consent Agreements (Monitoring Status) for this Board. All individuals are in compliance with their agreements.

Name	Case Number	Start of Probation	End of Probation	Disposition Date
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The following were released after probation completion.

Name	Case Number	Start of Probation	End of Probation
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Board Requests:

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 04, 2025
TO: Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors
THRU: Erika Prieksat, Chief Investigator *EP*
FROM: Patrick Kase, Investigator
RE: Investigative Report for the November 04, 2025 Meeting

The following information was compiled as an investigative report to the Board for the period of August 05, 2025 thru November 04, 2025; this report includes cases, complaints, and intake matters handled since the last report.

Matters opened by the Paralegals in Anchorage and Juneau, regarding continuing education audits and license action resulting from those matters are covered in this report.

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<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Violation Type</u>	<u>Case Status</u>	<u>Status Date</u>
2025-000793	Unethical conduct	Intake	08/27/2025
ARCHITECT			
2025-000910	Unlicensed practice or activity	Complaint	10/08/2025
ENGINEER			
2024-000956	Unlicensed practice or activity	Intake	10/09/2024
2025-000718	License Action in Another State	Intake	08/04/2025
2024-000938	Unlicensed practice or activity	Complaint	11/27/2024
2025-000164	Unlicensed practice or activity	Complaint	04/11/2025

2020-000411	Unprofessional conduct	Investigation	02/09/2024
2020-000840	Negligence	Investigation	05/10/2023
2025-000030	Continuing education	Investigation	07/03/2025

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

2025-000672	Unlicensed practice or activity	Intake	07/22/2025
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LAND SURVEYOR

2021-000675	Negligence	Complaint	10/06/2021
2025-000424	Violation of License Regulation	Complaint	06/18/2025
2023-000082	Unlicensed practice or activity	Investigation	10/30/2024

MINING ENGINEER

2025-000149	Unlicensed practice or activity	Complaint	07/16/2025
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Closed - 7

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Violation Type</u>	<u>Case Status</u>	<u>Closed</u>	<u>Closure</u>
ENGINEER				
2025-000746	Violating professional ethics	Closed-Intake	09/30/2025	Incomplete Complaint
2025-000180	Unlicensed practice or activity	Closed-Complaint	10/10/2025	Compliance
2020-000410	Unprofessional conduct	Closed-Investigation	10/21/2025	License Lapsed - Flagged Do Not Renew
2024-000618	Continuing education	Closed-Investigation	08/05/2025	Advisement Letter
2024-001142	Unlicensed practice or activity	Closed-Investigation	09/16/2025	Advisement Letter
MINING ENGINEER				
2024-001085	Unlicensed practice or activity	Closed-Complaint	10/16/2025	Compliance
2024-001086	Unlicensed practice or activity	Closed-Complaint	10/10/2025	Compliance

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[28] Applications **received** for the [November 4th & 5th, 2025] Board Review: ([0] comity applications and [28] exam applications)

LICENSE TYPE	COMITY	EXAM	TOTAL
Agriculture Engineer	0	0	0
Architect	0	5	5
Chemical Engineer	0	0	0
Civil Engineer	0	12	12
Control Systems Engineer	0	0	0
Electrical Engineer	0	3	3
Environmental Engineer	0	1	1
Fire Protection Engineer	0	0	0
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	0	2	2
Landscape Architect	0	0	0
Mechanical Engineer	0	4	4
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

August 2025: Submissions of NCEES/NCARB/CLARB Transmittals by Comity Applicants

NCEES	NCARB	CLARB	Conditionally Approved	Reviewed by Board-No Record/Different WEV
8	1	0	8	5 CA out of 19

September 2025: Submissions of NCEES/NCARB/CLARB Transmittals by Comity Applicants

NCEES	NCARB	CLARB	Conditionally Approved	Reviewed by Board-No Record/Different WEV
9	1	0	7	4 CA out of 6

October 2025: Submissions of NCEES/NCARB/CLARB Transmittals by Comity Applicants

NCEES	NCARB	CLARB	Conditionally Approved	Reviewed by Board-No Record/Different WEV
6	0	0	13	6 CA out of 16

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Exam Results: Quarterly results for August 1st, 2025 – October 24th, 2025

EXAM	PASS	FAIL	NO SHOW	EXAM	PASS	FAIL	NO SHOW	EXAM	PASS	FAIL	NO SHOW
FE	16	7	0	PE	17	11	0	AKLS	0	0	0
FS	3	1	0	PS	1	0	0	SE	0	0	0
A.R.E.	5	2	0								

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FY24 Quarterly Breakdown of Application Board Reviews and Licenses Issued:

1st Quarter Dates: July 1st-September 30th, 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	7	5	0	1	5	0	12
Chemical Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Civil Engineer	17	0	3	14	3	11	0	5	25	0	31
Control Systems Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Electrical Engineer	9	0	4	5	4	4	2-JQ	3	10	0	16
Environmental Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Fire Protection Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	3
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	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	3
Mechanical Engineer	6	0	2	5	2	9	0	2	14	0	17
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	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	1	0	0	1	0	1
Structural Engineer	7	1	2	4	1	2	0	1	7	0	10

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, 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	3	8	2-CRC	2	8	0	9
Chemical Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Engineer	18	0	1	7	2	13	1-CRC	5	30	0	30
Control Systems Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	1-CRC	1	0	0	0
Electrical Engineer	6	0	3	3	1	5	2-CRC	2	8	0	9
Environmental Engineer	0	0	0	0	1	1	1-CRC	2	1	0	2
Fire Protection Engineer	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	3
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Landscape Architect	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	4
Mechanical Engineer	4	0	0	4	2	2	1-CRC & 1-JQ	5	6	0	8
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
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	11	0	2	9	0	0	1-CRC	0	2	0	11

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FY23 thru FY25 Professional License Statistics- (this information uses dates beginning July 1st, 2025 – October 24th, 2025, for each fiscal year)

Licenses Issued to date ending: October 24th, 2025:

Individual Licenses:

License Type	FY25 Total License Count	FY25 Total License Count	FY24 Total License Count
Agriculture Engineer	0	0	0
Architect	5	51	24
Chemical Engineer	0	2	5
Civil Engineer	10	155	99
Control Systems Engineer	0	4	1
Electrical Engineer	5	50	26
Environmental Engineer	0	11	6
Fire Protection Engineer	0	11	3
Industrial Engineer	0	0	0
Land Surveyor	0	9	5
Landscape Architect	0	4	3
Mechanical Engineer	4	51	28
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	0	1	0
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	0	2	0
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	0	1	2
Nuclear Engineer	0	0	0
Petroleum Engineer	0	0	1
Structural Engineer	5	30	20

License Type	Active
Agriculture Engineer	1
Architect	654
Chemical Engineer	105
Civil Engineer	3143
Control Systems Engineer	51
Electrical Engineer	777
Environmental Engineer	153
Fire Protection Engineer	71
Industrial Engineer	1
Land Surveyor	372
Landscape Architect	63
Mechanical Engineer	847
Metallurgical & Materials Engineer	5
Mining & Mineral Processing Engineer	40
Naval Architect & Marine Engineer	22
Nuclear Engineer	0
Petroleum Engineer	87
Structural Engineer	455

Firm Licenses:

License Type	FY25 Total Licensed	FY25 Total Licensed	FY24 Total Licensed
Authorized Corporation	4	48	20
Authorized Limited Liability Corporation	1	39	17
Authorized Limited Liability Partnership	0	1	0

Licenses Issued to date ending: October 24th, 2025:

License Type	Active
Authorized Corporations	494
Authorized Limited Liability Corporation	322
Authorized Limited Liability Partnership	6

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Committee and Working Group Rosters

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Standing Committees

Guidance Manual

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Brad Rinckey
Samson Shepherd

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Elizabeth Beckett Johnston (Public Member)

FE Waiver (through 2/28/2026)

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Colin Maynard

AO 360 Planning

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Jeff Garness
Samson Shepherd
Sterling Strait
Colin Maynard

Working Groups

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ADEC (through 12/31/2025)

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John Barry

John Barry

Jake Maxwell (Public Member)