

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, and Professional Land Surveyors

Rule No.: A-E 3

Relating to: Architect registration examinations

Rule Type: Permanent

1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only): N/A

2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The A-E Board conducted a thorough review of the A-E administrative rules in preparation of their first biennial report in response to 2017 Act 108 and s. 227.29, Stats. As a result of this review, the Board has identified several places where the rules reference obsolete requirements or repealed provisions on examination requirements in A-E 3. The Architect Section will review the chapter to ensure consistency with current practices relating to examinations required for registration.

3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

In accordance with the requirements of 2017 Act 108 and s. 227.29, Stats., the Architect Section will take action to correct and update the obsolete provisions identified in the report. Section A-E 3.05 includes several procedures for refunds, cheating, and examination review which need to be updated since the Section has adopted a national exam for registration.

If the Architect Section does not update these provisions, there may be conflicting procedures for applicants who want to review their examination results.

4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

Section 15.08 (5) (b), Stats., provides examining boards, “shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains...”

Section 443.02 (3), Stats., provides that “[n]o person may offer to practice architecture, landscape architecture, or professional engineering or use in connection with the person’s name or otherwise assume, use or advertise any title or description tending to convey the impression that he or she is an architect, landscape architect, or professional engineer or advertise to furnish architectural, landscape architectural, or professional engineering services unless the person has been duly registered or has in effect a permit under s. 443.10 (1) (d).”

5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:

80 hours

6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule :

Registered architects and individuals acquiring supervised experience in architectural work leading to registration as an architect

7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule :

None.

8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):

The proposed rule will have minimal to no economic impact on small businesses and the state's economy as a whole.

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