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10 When the applicant has complied with the qualifications for  
11 registration in sections 544C.8 and 544C.9 to the satisfaction  
12 of a majority of the members of the board and has paid the  
13 fees prescribed by the board pursuant to section 544C.12, the  
14 secretary of the board shall enroll the applicant's name and  
15 address in the roster of registered interior designers and  
16 issue to the applicant a registration, signed by the officers  
17 of the board. The certificate shall entitle the applicant to  
18 use the title "registered interior designer" in this state.

19 Sec. 11. NEW SECTION. 544C.11 RENEWALS.

20 Registrations expire in multiyear intervals as determined  
21 by the board. Registered interior designers shall renew their  
22 registration and pay a renewal fee in the manner prescribed by  
23 the board. The board shall prescribe the conditions and  
24 reasonable penalties for renewal after a registration's  
25 expiration date.

26 Sec. 12. NEW SECTION. 544C.12 FEES.

27 The board shall set the fees for registration as a  
28 registered interior designer, for renewal of registration, for  
29 reinstatement of registration, and for other activities of the  
30 board pertaining to its duties. The fee for registration and  
31 for renewal of registration shall be based upon the  
32 administrative costs of sustaining the board which shall  
33 include, but are not limited to, the costs for all of the  
34 following:

35 1. Per diem, expenses, and travel for board members.

1 2. Office facilities, supplies, and equipment.

2 3. Staff assistance.

3 All fees shall be deposited in the general fund of the  
4 state.

5 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. 544C.13 REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION.

6 A registration may be revoked or suspended when a  
7 registrant is found guilty of the following acts or offenses:

8 1. Fraud in procuring a certificate of registration.

9 2. Professional incompetency.

10 3. Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue, or  
11 fraudulent representations in the practice of the registrant's  
12 profession or engaging in unethical conduct or practice  
13 harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury  
14 need not be established.

15 4. Habitual intoxication or addiction to the use of drugs.

16 5. Conviction of a felony related to the profession or  
17 occupation of the registrant. A copy of the record of  
18 conviction or plea of guilty shall be conclusive evidence of  
19 the conviction.

20 6. Fraud in representations as to skill or ability.

21 7. Use of untruthful or improbable statements in  
22 advertisements.

23 8. Unlawful use of the title of registered interior  
24 designer.

25 9. Willful or repeated violations of the provisions of  
26 this chapter.

27 10. Willful or repeated violations of one or more rules of  
28 conduct adopted by the board.

29 The board may revoke or suspend any registration after  
30 thirty days' notice with grant of hearing to the holder if  
31 satisfactory proof is presented to the board.

32 Proceedings for the revocation or suspension of a  
33 registration shall be initiated by filing written charges  
34 against the accused with the board. Upon the filing of  
35 charges, the board may request the department of inspections



1 and appeals to conduct an investigation into the charges. The  
2 department of inspections and appeals shall report its  
3 findings to the board, and a time and place for the hearing of  
4 the charges shall be fixed by the board if the board  
5 determines that a hearing is warranted. A copy of the  
6 charges, together with a notice of the time and place fixed  
7 for the hearing, shall be served on the accused at least  
8 thirty days before the date fixed for the hearing. If  
9 personal service or service through counsel cannot be  
10 effected, service may be by publication. At the hearing, the  
11 accused has the right to appear personally or be represented  
12 by counsel, to produce evidence and witnesses in defense, and  
13 to cross-examine witnesses. The board may subpoena witnesses,  
14 administer oaths to witnesses, and employ counsel. The board  
15 shall make a written report of its findings, which is  
16 conclusive, and may suspend or revoke the registration. The  
17 board may restore the registration to any person whose  
18 registration has been revoked. Application for the  
19 restoration of a certificate of registration shall be made in  
20 such manner, form, and content as the board may prescribe.

21 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. 544C.14 UNLAWFUL USE OF TITLE OF  
22 REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGNER -- VIOLATIONS -- PENALTY --  
23 CONSENT AGREEMENT.

24 1. It is unlawful for a person to use the title, or aid or  
25 abet a person to use the title, of registered interior  
26 designer or any title or device indicating that the person is  
27 a registered interior designer unless the person has been  
28 issued a certificate of registration as provided in this  
29 chapter. This section does not prohibit the provision of  
30 interior design services, or the use of the terms "interior  
31 design" or "interior designer", by an architect or by a person  
32 who is not registered as an interior designer.

33 2. A person who violates this section is guilty of a  
34 simple misdemeanor. The board, in its discretion and in lieu  
35 of prosecuting a first offense described in this section, may

1 enter into a consent agreement with a violator, or with a  
2 person guilty of aiding or abetting a violator, which  
3 acknowledges the violation and the violator's agreement to  
4 refrain from any further violations.

5 Sec. 15. NEW SECTION. 544C.15 INJUNCTION.

6 In addition to any other remedies, and on the petition of  
7 the board, any person violating this chapter may be restrained  
8 and permanently enjoined from committing or continuing the  
9 violations.

10 Sec. 16. NEW SECTION. 544C.16 SCOPE OF CHAPTER.

11 This chapter does not apply to the following:

12 1. A person licensed to practice architecture pursuant to  
13 the laws of this state who is exclusively engaged in the  
14 practice of the person's profession and who does not represent  
15 that the person is a "registered interior designer".

16 2. A person licensed as a professional engineer pursuant  
17 to the laws of this state who is exclusively engaged in the  
18 practice of the person's profession and who does not represent  
19 that the person is a "registered interior designer".

20 3. A person providing consultation services regarding  
21 interior decoration or furnishings and who does not represent  
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23 Sec. 17. NEW SECTION. 544C.17 DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL  
24 INFORMATION -- PENALTY.

25 A member of the board shall not disclose information  
26 relating to the following:

27 1. Criminal history or prior misconduct of the applicant.

28 2. Information relating to the contents of the  
29 examination.

30 3. Information relating to the examination results other  
31 than the final score except for information about the results  
32 of an examination which is given to the applicant who took the  
33 examination.

34 A member of the board who willfully communicates or seeks  
35 to communicate such information, and any person who willfully

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2 guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

3 Sec. 18. NEW SECTION. 544C.18 REGISTRATION NUMBER.

4 A registered interior designer may affix the Iowa  
5 registration number and signature to interior design  
6 construction documents if required by any state or local  
7 building department for the purpose of obtaining a building  
8 permit.

9 Sec. 19. NEW SECTION. 544C.19 TRANSITION PROVISIONS.

10 For a period of two years from the effective date of this  
11 Act, the board may issue a certificate as a registered  
12 interior designer to a person who does not meet the  
13 examination requirements specified in section 544C.8, if the  
14 person submits evidence to the board demonstrating both of the  
15 following:

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17 eight years of experience as an interior designer and two  
18 years of interior design education that is acceptable to the  
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20 2. Successful completion of the examination conducted with  
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22 prepared by the national council for interior design  
23 qualification.

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25 interior design examining board shall be appointed to the  
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9 Sec. 10. NEW SECTION. 544C.10 REGISTRATION ISSUANCE.

10 When the applicant has complied with the qualifications for  
11 registration in sections 544C.8 and 544C.9 to the satisfaction  
12 of a majority of the members of the board and has paid the  
13 fees prescribed by the board pursuant to section 544C.12, the  
14 secretary of the board shall enroll the applicant's name and  
15 address in the roster of registered interior designers and  
16 issue to the applicant a registration, signed by the officers  
17 of the board. The certificate shall entitle the applicant to  
18 use the title "registered interior designer" in this state.

19 Sec. 11. NEW SECTION. 544C.11 RENEWALS.

20 Registrations expire in multiyear intervals as determined  
21 by the board. Registered interior designers shall renew their  
22 registration and pay a renewal fee in the manner prescribed by  
23 the board. The board shall prescribe the conditions and  
24 reasonable penalties for renewal after a registration's  
25 expiration date.

26 Sec. 12. NEW SECTION. 544C.12 FEES.

27 The board shall set the fees for registration as a  
28 registered interior designer, for renewal of registration, for  
29 reinstatement of registration, and for other activities of the  
30 board pertaining to its duties. The fee for registration and  
31 for renewal of registration shall be based upon the  
32 administrative costs of sustaining the board which shall  
33 include, but are not limited to, the costs for all of the  
34 following:

35 1. Per diem, expenses, and travel for board members.

1 2. Office facilities, supplies, and equipment.

2 3. Staff assistance.

3 All fees shall be deposited in the general fund of the  
4 state.

5 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. 544C.13 REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION.

6 A registration may be revoked or suspended when a  
7 registrant is found guilty of the following acts or offenses:

8 1. Fraud in procuring a certificate of registration.

9 2. Professional incompetency.

10 3. Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue, or  
11 fraudulent representations in the practice of the registrant's  
12 profession or engaging in unethical conduct or practice  
13 harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury  
14 need not be established.

15 4. Habitual intoxication or addiction to the use of drugs.

16 5. Conviction of a felony related to the profession or  
17 occupation of the registrant. A copy of the record of  
18 conviction or plea of guilty shall be conclusive evidence of  
19 the conviction.

20 6. Fraud in representations as to skill or ability.

21 7. Use of untruthful or improbable statements in  
22 advertisements.

23 8. Unlawful use of the title of registered interior  
24 designer.

25 9. Willful or repeated violations of the provisions of  
26 this chapter.

27 10. Willful or repeated violations of one or more rules of  
28 conduct adopted by the board.

29 The board may revoke or suspend any registration after  
30 thirty days' notice with grant of hearing to the holder if  
31 satisfactory proof is presented to the board.

32 Proceedings for the revocation or suspension of a  
33 registration shall be initiated by filing written charges  
34 against the accused with the board. Upon the filing of  
35 charges, the board may request the department of inspections

1 and appeals to conduct an investigation into the charges. The  
2 department of inspections and appeals shall report its  
3 findings to the board, and a time and place for the hearing of  
4 the charges shall be fixed by the board if the board  
5 determines that a hearing is warranted. A copy of the  
6 charges, together with a notice of the time and place fixed  
7 for the hearing, shall be served on the accused at least  
8 thirty days before the date fixed for the hearing. If  
9 personal service or service through counsel cannot be  
10 effected, service may be by publication. At the hearing, the  
11 accused has the right to appear personally or be represented  
12 by counsel, to produce evidence and witnesses in defense, and  
13 to cross-examine witnesses. The board may subpoena witnesses,  
14 administer oaths to witnesses, and employ counsel. The board  
15 shall make a written report of its findings, which is  
16 conclusive, and may suspend or revoke the registration. The  
17 board may restore the registration to any person whose  
18 registration has been revoked. Application for the  
19 restoration of a certificate of registration shall be made in  
20 such manner, form, and content as the board may prescribe.

21 Sec. 14. NEW SECTION. 544C.14 UNLAWFUL USE OF TITLE OF  
22 REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGNER -- VIOLATIONS -- PENALTY --  
23 CONSENT AGREEMENT.

24 1. It is unlawful for a person to use the title, or aid or  
25 abet a person to use the title, of registered interior  
26 designer or any title or device indicating that the person is  
27 a registered interior designer unless the person has been  
28 issued a certificate of registration as provided in this  
29 chapter. This section does not prohibit the provision of  
30 interior design services, or the use of the terms "interior  
31 design" or "interior designer", by an architect or by a person  
32 who is not registered as an interior designer.

33 2. A person who violates this section is guilty of a  
34 simple misdemeanor. The board, in its discretion and in lieu  
35 of prosecuting a first offense described in this section, may

1 enter into a consent agreement with a violator, or with a  
2 person guilty of aiding or abetting a violator, which  
3 acknowledges the violation and the violator's agreement to  
4 refrain from any further violations.

5 Sec. 15. NEW SECTION. 544C.15 INJUNCTION.

6 In addition to any other remedies, and on the petition of  
7 the board, any person violating this chapter may be restrained  
8 and permanently enjoined from committing or continuing the  
9 violations.

10 Sec. 16. NEW SECTION. 544C.16 SCOPE OF CHAPTER.

11 This chapter does not apply to the following:

12 1. A person licensed to practice architecture pursuant to  
13 the laws of this state who is exclusively engaged in the  
14 practice of the person's profession and who does not represent  
15 that the person is a "registered interior designer".

16 2. A person licensed as a professional engineer pursuant  
17 to the laws of this state who is exclusively engaged in the  
18 practice of the person's profession and who does not represent  
19 that the person is a "registered interior designer".

20 3. A person providing consultation services regarding  
21 interior decoration or furnishings and who does not represent  
22 that the person is a "registered interior designer".

23 Sec. 17. NEW SECTION. 544C.17 DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL  
24 INFORMATION -- PENALTY.

25 A member of the board shall not disclose information  
26 relating to the following:

27 1. Criminal history or prior misconduct of the applicant.

28 2. Information relating to the contents of the  
29 examination.

30 3. Information relating to the examination results other  
31 than the final score except for information about the results  
32 of an examination which is given to the applicant who took the  
33 examination.

34 A member of the board who willfully communicates or seeks  
35 to communicate such information, and any person who willfully

1 requests, obtains, or seeks to obtain such information, is  
2 guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

3 Sec. 18. NEW SECTION. 544C.18 REGISTRATION NUMBER.

4 A registered interior designer may affix the Iowa  
5 registration number and signature to interior design  
6 construction documents if required by any state or local  
7 building department for the purpose of obtaining a building  
8 permit.

9 Sec. 19. NEW SECTION. 544C.19 TRANSITION PROVISIONS.

10 For a period of two years from the effective date of this  
11 Act, the board may issue a certificate as a registered  
12 interior designer to a person who does not meet the  
13 examination requirements specified in section 544C.8, if the  
14 person submits evidence to the board demonstrating both of the  
15 following:

16 1. Ten years of experience as an interior designer, or  
17 eight years of experience as an interior designer and two  
18 years of interior design education that is acceptable to the  
19 board.

20 2. Successful completion of the examination conducted with  
21 regard to life safety codes and barrier-free requirements  
22 prepared by the national council for interior design  
23 qualification.

24 Sec. 20. INITIAL BOARD. The initial members of the  
25 interior design examining board shall be appointed to the  
26 following terms:

27 1. Two interior designer members shall be appointed for a  
28 term of three years.

29 2. Two interior designer members and one public member  
30 shall be appointed for a term of two years.

31 3. One interior designer member and one public member  
32 shall be appointed for a term of one year.

33 4. The initial interior designer members need not meet the  
34 requirements for registration, but shall have previously  
35 passed the examination by the national council for interior

1 design qualification, and shall have been in active practice  
2 for not less than five years, the last two of which shall have  
3 been in Iowa.

4 EXPLANATION

5 This bill creates a new Code chapter 544C which provides  
6 for the registration of interior designers in order to use the  
7 title of registered interior designer. It establishes a  
8 seven-member interior design examining board consisting of  
9 five members who are registered interior designers, and two  
10 members who represent the general public. The board is  
11 directed to adopt rules for the examination of applicants,  
12 standards for criteria for registration, registration renewal,  
13 professional conduct, discipline, and continuing education.

14 Each applicant must meet practical training and education  
15 requirements adopted by the board and pass an examination.  
16 The board shall adopt the uniform standardized examination and  
17 grading procedures, and the education and practical training  
18 requirements, of the national council for interior design  
19 qualification.

20 Interior designer members of the initial board must have  
21 passed the examination administered by the national council  
22 for interior design qualification and meet requirements  
23 relating to the period of time during which the interior  
24 designer has practiced.

25 Criminal penalties are provided for violation of the bill's  
26 title and confidentiality provisions.

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