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(A215, R241, S1177)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 40‑3‑20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING THE PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE OF ARCHITECTS, AND TO AMEND SECTION 40‑3‑230, RELATING TO TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE OF ARCHITECTS, BOTH SO AS TO REPLACE REFERENCES TO THE “INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM” WITH REFERENCES TO THE “ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCE PROGRAM”; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40‑3‑240, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR TAKING THE ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION EXAMINATION, SO AS TO REPLACE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WITH REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING PARTICIPATION IN THE ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCE PROGRAM OR CERTAIN PROGRAMS SANCTIONED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION BOARDS.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

**Definitions revised**

SECTION 1. Section 40‑3‑20(11)(b) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(b) is currently enrolled in and actively participating in the Architectural Experience Program or who has completed the Architectural Experience Program; and”

**Licensure requirements, internship requirement replaced**

SECTION 2. Section 40‑3‑230(C)(2) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(2) have satisfactorily completed the training requirements established by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) for the Architectural Experience Program (AXP). Changes in the program subsequently adopted by the board do not affect those persons currently enrolled in a previously adopted (AXP) program;”

**Licensure applications, internship requirement replaced**

SECTION 3. Section 40‑3‑240(C) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(C) An applicant must satisfy the requirements of Section 40‑3‑230(C)(1) and must be currently enrolled and actively participating in the Architectural Experience Program or be a student actively participating in an NCARB‑accepted Integrated Path to Architectural Licensure (IPAL) option within an NAAB‑accredited professional degree program in architecture in order to be approved by the board to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Once an applicant has been approved to take the examination, any subsequent changes in the education or experience requirements do not affect the applicant’s eligibility to take the examination.”

**Time effective**

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 2nd day of June, 2016.

Approved the 3rd day of June, 2016.

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