

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

4 ENGROSSED SENATE
5 BILL NO. 58

 By: Daniels of the Senate

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9 An Act relating to professions and occupations;
10 amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 46.4, which relates to
11 the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects,
12 Landscape Architects and Registered Commercial
 Interior Designers of Oklahoma; extending sunset
 date; providing an effective date; and declaring an
 emergency.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 46.4, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 46.4. There is hereby re-created, to continue until
18 July 1, ~~2023~~ 2026, in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma
19 Sunset Law, a board to be known as the "Board of Governors of the
20 Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Commercial
21 Interior Designers of Oklahoma", hereinafter referred to as the
22 Board. The Board shall be composed of eleven (11) members including
23 six persons who are duly licensed to practice architecture and are
24 in good standing in this state, two persons who are duly licensed to

1 practice landscape architecture and are in good standing in this
2 state, two persons who are registered commercial interior designers
3 and who are active and in good standing and one lay member. Each
4 member of the Board shall be a qualified elector of this state, and
5 the architect, landscape architect and registered commercial
6 interior designer members shall have had five (5) years' licensing
7 or registration experience as the professional position requires in
8 this state. Re-creation of the Board shall not alter existing
9 staggered terms. Board members, other than the lay member, shall be
10 appointed for a period of five (5) years thereafter; provided, that
11 nothing herein shall affect the tenure of office of anyone who is a
12 member of the Board on May 31, 1957. A member may be reappointed to
13 succeed such membership. The licensed architect, landscape
14 architect or the registered commercial interior designer members may
15 be appointed by the Governor from a list of nominees submitted by
16 respective professional societies of this state. Membership in a
17 professional society shall not be a prerequisite to appointment to
18 the Board. The lay member of the Board shall be appointed by the
19 Governor to a term coterminous with that of the Governor. The lay
20 member shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Provided, the
21 lay member may continue to serve after the expiration of the term of
22 the member until such time as a successor is appointed. Vacancies
23 which may occur in the membership of the Board shall be filled by
24 appointment by the Governor. Each person who has been appointed to

1 fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which
2 the member the person shall succeed was appointed and until a
3 successor, in turn, has been appointed and shall have qualified.
4 Each member of the Board, before entering upon the discharge of the
5 duties of the member, shall make and file with the Secretary of
6 State a written oath or affirmation for the faithful discharge of
7 official duties. Each member of the Board and staff shall be
8 reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to the State Travel
9 Reimbursement Act.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

11 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
12 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
13 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
14 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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16 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, dated
17 04/06/2023 - DO PASS.

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