

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 8, 2023

3 SENATE BILL NO. 58

By: Daniels

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

13 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND COMMERCE  
14 February 8, 2023 - DO PASS  
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