



1997 SENATE BILL 412

January 21, 1998 – Introduced by Senator BRESKE, cosponsored by Representatives MUSSER, RYBA, GROTHMAN and GRONEMUS. Referred to Committee on Economic Development, Housing and Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** registration requirements for landscape architects.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, with certain exceptions, a person may not use the title, “landscape architect”, unless he or she is registered as a landscape architect with the examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional geologists, professional engineers, designers and land surveyors (board). To qualify for registration, an applicant must do all of the following:

1. Pay a fee.
2. Not have an arrest or conviction record that substantially relates to the practice of landscape architecture.
3. Pass an examination.
4. Have one of the following: a) a bachelor’s or master’s degree in landscape architecture and at least 2 years of practical experience in landscape architecture; or b) a specific record of 7 years of training and experience in the practice of landscape architecture, including at least 2 years of courses in landscape architecture and 4 years of practical experience.

A person who applied to the board for registration before December 31, 1995, was not required to pass the examination or satisfy the 4th requirement described above. Instead, the board was required to register such a person if he or she paid the fee, satisfied the arrest or conviction record requirement and had at least 7 years of training and experience in the practice of landscape architecture.

This bill establishes a 12-month period in which the board must register as a landscape architect an applicant who does all of the following:

1. Pays the fee.
2. Satisfies the arrest or conviction record requirement.
3. Has received a bachelor’s or master’s degree in landscape architecture.
4. Has completed, prior to December 31, 1995, at least 7 years of training and experience in the practice of landscape architecture.

