

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

<b>1. Type of Estimate and Analysis</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Updated <input type="checkbox"/> Corrected	<b>2. Date</b> December 29, 2023
<b>3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable)</b> A-E 1 to 15	
<b>4. Subject</b> Registered Interior Designers	
<b>5. Fund Sources Affected</b> <input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEG-S	<b>6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected</b> s.20.165(1)(g)
<b>7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget	
<b>8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> State's Economy <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Businesses/Sectors <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government Units <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utility Rate Payers <input type="checkbox"/> Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)	
<b>9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1).</b> \$0	
<b>10. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals Be \$10 Million or more Over Any 2-year Period, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(2)?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>11. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule</b> Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter SPS 130 currently outlines requirements for registered interior designers. The authority for the rules in SPS 130 was removed and transferred to the newly created Registered Interior Designers Section of the Examining board of architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, designers, professional land surveyors, and registered interior designers with the enactment of 2021 Wisconsin Act 195. The objective of this rule project is to implement the statutory changes from the act by creating chapters A-E 14 and 15 as a new part of the Wisconsin Administrative Code and by amending chapters A-E 1, 2, and 8 to add registered interior designers to the general provisions of the board. The new chapters cover the registration and continuing education requirements for registered interior designers.	
<b>12. Summary of the Businesses, Business Sectors, Associations Representing Business, Local Governmental Units, and Individuals that may be Affected by the Proposed Rule that were Contacted for Comments.</b> N/A	
<b>13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA.</b> N/A	
<b>14. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)</b> DSPS estimates a total of \$14,400 in one-time costs and \$4,600 in annual costs for staffing and an indeterminate one-time IT impact to implement the rule. The estimated need for 0.3 limited term employees (LTE) is attributed rule promulgation, staff training, and website and forms updates. The estimated annual staffing need for 0.1 full time employee (FTE) accounts for staff tasks such as responding to inquiries, processing applications, and issuing licenses. The one-time estimated costs cannot be absorbed in the currently appropriated agency budget.	
<b>15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule</b>	

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If new rules are not implemented as a result of this statute change, the practice of Registered Interior Designers will remain out of compliance with current state statute and may adversely affect the ability of Registered Interior Designers to practice in Wisconsin.

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16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implication of implementing the rule is ensuring that registered interior designers are compliant with standards of practice and applicable Wisconsin statutes.

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17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

None.

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18. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

**Illinois:**

Interior Designers in Illinois are registered through the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The Registered Interior Designer Act empowers the Board of Registered Interior Design Professionals, governs the practice of interior designers in Illinois, and includes statutory direction regarding interior designer practice, examination, registration and renewal, continuing education, and penalty for unregistered practice [225 Illinois Compiled Statutes ch. 310].

Interior Designers in Illinois are required to complete 10 hours of continuing education per biennium, including one hour in sexual harassment prevention training and one hour pertaining to the subjects of professional conduct or interior design professional ethics. Finally, "All CE programs, activities or courses shall emphasize health, safety and welfare subjects" and meet certain other requirements. [Illinois Administrative Code Title 68 Part 1255 s. 1255.61]. Part 1255 of the Illinois Administrative Code further details rules for interior designers in the areas of registration, examination, seal and signature requirements, endorsement, continuing education, and granting variances. [Illinois Administrative Code Title 68 Part 1255 s. 1255.10 to 1255.90].

**Iowa:**

Interior Designers in Iowa are registered through the Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing. The Iowa Interior Design Examining Board regulates the practice of registered interior designers. Chapter 544C of the Iowa Code includes statutes on registration, reciprocal registration, continuing education, penalty for violations of unlawful use of title, and grants administrative rulemaking authority to the board [Iowa Code ch. 544C.1 to 544C.13].

Section 193G of the Iowa Administrative Code for the Interior Design Examining Board further details rules for interior designers in the areas of registration, continuing education, professional conduct, and discipline. Interior designers are required to complete at least 10 hours of continuing education "in acceptable health, safety, and welfare subjects" per biennium. Carryover hours are not permitted. [193G Iowa Administrative Code ch. 3].

**Michigan:**

Michigan does not register, certify, nor license interior designers.

**Minnesota:**

Interior designers in Minnesota are certified through the Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience, and Interior Design. Chapter 326 of the Minnesota Statutes includes requirements for all professions within the board in regard to their scope of practice, certification requirements, grounds for disciplinary action, and continuing education.

Interior designers in Minnesota must complete at least 24 hours of approved continuing education, of which two must be in professional ethics, within the two years preceding renewal. Interior designers are allowed to carry over up to 50 percent of the biennial requirement of hours towards the next renewal period [Minnesota Statutes 326.107].

The Minnesota Administrative Rules have two chapters that include interior designers. Chapter 1800 is dedicated to licensing and operation for all professions on the board. Subsections 1800.2100 and 1800.2200 detail the provisions for

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education and experience, and procedures related to the practice of interior design. Chapter 1805 further explains the provisions of unprofessional conduct for all professions within the board.

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**ATTACHMENT A**

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1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

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2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

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3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
- Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
- Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
- Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
- Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
- Other, describe:

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4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

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5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

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6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

- Yes    No
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