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Overview

Makes various changes in procedures relating to licenses and certificates for architects, engineers, surveyors, landscape architects, geoscientists, and interior designers.

Section

- 1 Expiration and renewal.** Provides that licenses and certificates issued by the board of architecture, engineering, surveying, landscape architecture, geoscience, and interior design ("board") expire on June 30 of each even-numbered year. Specifies renewal requirements and procedures.
- 2 Reinstatement of expired license or certificate.** Specifies procedures for reinstating an expired license or certificate.
- 3 Exemption from continuing education requirements.** Modifies exemptions from continuing education requirements by requiring that specified circumstances (such as illness or injury) justify an exemption only if these circumstances restrict compliance with continuing education requirements, as supported by documentation furnished to the board.
- 4 Noncompliance.** Requires the board to notify a licensee or certificate holder if the board rejects professional development hours reported by the person so as to reduce the number of hours below the minimum. Specifies procedures for the licensee or certificate holder to make up the necessary hours, to avoid suspension of the license or certificate.
- 5 Repealer.** Repeals the following sections of Minnesota Statutes:
 - ▶ 326.10, subd. 5: Failure to renew a license does not deprive a person to renew

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later upon payment of a later fee.

- ▶ 326.107: Continuing education form as part of renewal application; continuing education requirement for reinstatement of lapsed license.

6 **Effective date.** Sections 1 to 5 are effective the day following final enactment.