

No. 1994-107

## AN ACT

SB 1400

Amending the act of January 24, 1966 (1965 P.L.1527, No.535), entitled "An act providing for and regulating the licensing of landscape architects; fixing fees; creating the State Board of Landscape Architects; imposing powers and duties on the Department of State, the Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs and the board; and prescribing unlawful acts and penalties," requiring continuing education as a condition for license renewal.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The act of January 24, 1966 (1965 P.L.1527, No.535), known as the Landscape Architects' Registration Law, is amended by adding a section to read:

***Section 9.1. Continuing Education Required.—(a) The board shall adopt, promulgate and enforce regulations consistent with the provisions of this act establishing requirements of continuing education to be met by individuals licensed as landscape architects under this act as a condition for renewal of their licenses. The board may waive all or part of the continuing education requirement for a landscape architect who shows evidence, to the board's satisfaction, that he was unable to complete the requirements due to illness, emergency or hardship. These regulations shall include any fees necessary for the board to carry out its responsibilities under this section.***

***(b) Beginning with the license period designated by regulation, each person licensed under this act shall be required to obtain ten hours of mandatory continuing education during each two-year license period. A licensed landscape architect who wishes to activate a license which has been placed on inactive status shall be required to document ten hours of continuing education.***

***(c) All courses, materials, locations and instructors shall be approved by the board. No credit shall be given for any course in office management.***

***(d) The board shall initiate the promulgation of regulations to carry out the provisions of this section within six months of the effective date of this section.***

***(e) The board shall inform licensees of the continuing education requirement prior to the renewal period when continuing education is required.***

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 7th day of December, A.D. 1994.

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