

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2153

By COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

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1 Delete lines 4 through 28 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, ‘interior design experience program’ means an**
3 **apprenticeship program meeting the content area requirements of a national accrediting as-**
4 **sociation for interior design or interior architecture and completed under the supervision of**
5 **the holder of a certificate from a nationally accredited institution, a certified commercial**
6 **interior designer or a registered architect.**

7 **“(2) The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall establish a voluntary**
8 **certification program for commercial interior designers. The department shall adopt rules**
9 **establishing the qualifications necessary for certification. At a minimum, an applicant for**
10 **certification must qualify in one of the following ways:**

11 **“(a)(A) Hold a bachelor’s degree in interior design or interior architecture obtained by**
12 **completing at least 120 semester hours or 180 quarter hours of education or a master’s de-**
13 **gree in interior design or interior architecture;**

14 **“(B) Successfully complete an interior design experience program that includes at least**
15 **3,520 hours of experience; and**

16 **“(C) Pass an examination administered by a national accrediting association for interior**
17 **design or interior architecture.**

18 **“(b)(A) Hold an associate’s degree in interior design or interior architecture obtained by**
19 **completing at least 60 semester or 90 quarter hours of education;**

20 **“(B) Successfully complete an interior design experience program that includes at least**
21 **of 5,280 hours of experience; and**

22 **“(C) Pass an examination administered by a national accrediting association for interior**
23 **design or interior architecture.**

24 **“(c)(A) Have 10 years or more of full-time experience, or the equivalent, that a national**
25 **accrediting association for interior design or interior architecture recognizes under an al-**
26 **ternative review process as equivalent to the education and experience described in para-**
27 **graph (b) of this subsection; and**

28 **“(B) Pass an examination administered by a national accrediting association for interior**
29 **design or interior architecture.**

30 **“(3) To remain certified under this section, a commercial interior designer must attend**
31 **continuing education recognized by a national accrediting association for interior design or**
32 **interior architecture. The designer must attend an average of at least 10 hours of continuing**
33 **education per year. The department shall establish the interval for reporting continuing ed-**
34 **ucation.**

35 **“(4) An application for commercial interior designer certification must be in a form ac-**

1 ceptable to the department.

2 “(5) The department may charge a fee for the filing of applications under subsection (4)
3 of this section. The department shall adopt an amount for the fee that is reasonably calcu-
4 lated to compensate the department for expenses incurred in the administration and
5 enforcement of the voluntary certification program.

6 “(6) Any work described in section 2 of this 2017 Act that a certified commercial interior
7 designer performs is conclusively presumed to be commercial interior design work that is
8 exempt from licensing or registration requirements under ORS 671.010 to 671.220 or 672.002
9 to 672.325 or ORS chapter 701.

10 “(7) This section and section 2 of this 2017 Act do not restrict the scope of work that
11 may otherwise be lawfully performed by a commercial interior designer, whether or not
12 certified under this section.

13 “SECTION 2. (1) A commercial interior designer certified under section 1 of this 2017 Act
14 is qualified for purposes of any municipal building inspection program under ORS 455.148 or
15 455.150, or a building inspection program administered and enforced by the Department of
16 Consumer and Business Services, to submit plans, drawings, designs and specifications:

17 “(a) Regarding architecture or engineering work that the designer has prepared as an
18 employee of a registered architect or registered professional engineer;

19 “(b) Drafted or otherwise prepared by the designer under the instruction, control or
20 supervision of an employing registered architect or registered professional engineer;

21 “(c) For a single family residential building or a farm building;

22 “(d) For a garage, shed, shelter or other structure in connection with or auxiliary to a
23 single family residential building or a farm building;

24 “(e) For the construction, alteration or enlargement of a building or an appurtenance to
25 a building, if the building has a ground area of 4,000 square feet or less, and is not more than
26 20 feet in height from the top surface of lowest flooring to its highest interior overhead fin-
27 ish;

28 “(f) For the alteration or repair of a building, if:

29 “(A) The structural part of the building, including but not limited to the foundation walls,
30 floors, roof, footings, bearing partitions, beams, columns and joists, is not involved;

31 “(B) The building code classification for use or occupancy is not changed; and

32 “(C) The building code classification by type of construction for the building is not
33 changed; and

34 “(g) For materials to be fabricated or consumed by a construction contractor.

35 “(2) A certified commercial interior designer is qualified to supervise the preparation of
36 plans, drawings, designs and specifications described in subsection (1)(c) to (f) of this section,
37 whether or not the designer was the submitter of the plans, drawings, designs and specifi-
38 cations for the work.

39 “(3) A municipality administering and enforcing a building inspection program under ORS
40 455.148 or 455.150 is not required to verify the certification of a commercial interior designer
41 submitting plans, drawings, designs or specifications described in subsection (1) of this sec-
42 tion to the municipality.”.