

Senate Bill 474

Sponsored by Senator BOQUIST (at the request of Wes Butler, Peter Padilla, Oregon Landscape Alliance) (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Eliminates continuing education requirements for landscape construction professionals.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to continuing education requirements for landscape construction professionals; creating new provisions; amending ORS 671.660; and repealing ORS 671.676.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 671.676 is repealed.

SECTION 2. ORS 671.660 is amended to read:

671.660. (1) The fee for renewal of a license issued under ORS 671.510 to 671.760 shall be paid annually on or before the last day of the month of the anniversary of issuance.

(2) The State Landscape Contractors Board may not issue a new license to a person who has been previously licensed under ORS 671.510 to 671.760 and whose license has expired, unless the person makes written application on a form approved by the board and pays the required annual fee. The board may require the person to also pay a penalty fee.

(3) If a license lapses for two years or more, the person must reapply as for initial issuance of the license.

(4) When a landscape contracting business renews its license, the business must submit the names of all employees who are licensed landscape construction professionals.

(5) When a person renews a landscape construction professional license, the person must[:]
[(a)] submit the name of the employer if the person is currently performing landscaping work.[:]
and]

[(b) *Demonstrate that the person has complied with the continuing education requirement adopted by the board.*]

SECTION 3. The repeal of ORS 671.676 by section 1 of this 2017 Act and the amendments to ORS 671.660 by section 2 of this 2017 Act apply to licenses issued or renewed on or after the effective date of this 2017 Act.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.