



February 28, 2023

Representative Marcus Evans, Jr., Chairman  
House Labor & Commerce Committee  
401 South Spring Street  
Stratton Office Building  
Springfield, IL 62706

Re: HB 2247; Landscape Architecture Continuing Education

Dear Representative Evans:

On behalf of the American Society of Landscape Architects, I am writing to express our strong support for House Bill 2247, which would allow the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to adopt rules for continuing education requirements for persons registered under the Landscape Architecture Registration Act. The proposed legislation would help to ensure that Illinois' registered landscape architects are maintaining their skills and knowledge over time by keeping up-to-date with the latest developments and best practices in landscape architecture, which will help protect public health and safety.

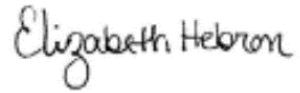
As an organization representing landscape architects, who are licensed in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, we believe that continuing education is essential for maintaining the high standards of professionalism and expertise required in this field. Currently 37 states plus the District of Columbia require landscape architects to obtain continuing education.

Additionally, we appreciate the provision that the Department shall consider the recommendations of the Registered Landscape Architecture Registration Board in establishing the guidelines for the continuing education requirements. This collaborative approach will help to ensure that the requirements are well-designed and effective, and that they reflect the regulatory best practices of the landscape architecture profession.

Overall, we believe that HB 2247 would be a valuable addition to the Landscape Architecture Registration Act, and we urge the Labor & Commerce Committee to support this important legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth Hebron". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name and last name clearly legible.

Elizabeth Hebron

