Bills by Status

- Introduced: 67
- Considering: 27
- Passed: 26
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Bills by Status & Position
US Policy Map

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Occupational Licensing Bills

IN SB 34 Medium Priority Monitor
Title: Occupational licensing.  
Current Status: Passed House  
Last Action Date: Signed by the President of the Senate. 2024-03-08  
Summary: Would require the professional licensing agency (agency) to study universal occupational licensing laws enacted in other states. Requires the agency to submit a report with findings and recommendations to the general assembly not later than October 31, 2025. Would require no later than July 1, 2026 for the agency conduct a comprehensive review of all occupational licenses and occupational regulations within the public agency's jurisdiction.  
Location: US-IN

GA HB 880  
Medium Priority  

Title: Professions and businesses; military spouses to use an existing license in good standing from another state; allow  
Current Status: In Senate  
Last Action Date: Senate Committee Favorably Reported. 2024-03-08  
Summary: Would allow for a spouse of a service member stationed in Georgia to not be licensed in Georgia if they hold a current/active license in good standing in another state.  
Location: US-GA

MS SB 2300  
Low Priority  

Title: Occupational Licensing Review Board; revise membership.  
Current Status: In House  
Last Action Date: Transmitted To House. 2024-03-07  
Summary: Would revise membership and authority of members of the Occupational Licensing Review Commission.  
Location: US-MS

WV SB 687  
Medium Priority  

Title: Clarifying Legislative Auditor's scope of authority  
Current Status: Passed House  
Last Action Date: On 3rd reading with right to amend, Special Calendar. 2024-03-07  
Summary: Would clarify the Legislative Auditor's scope of authority, who conducts regulatory board reviews. Would clarify that board reviews shall happen once every 12 years.
VA SB 554  Medium Priority  Monitor
Title: Licenses or certificates; reciprocal licensing for neighboring states.
Current Status: Passed House
Last Action Date: Senate: Signed by President. 2024-03-07
Location: US-VA

WV SB 438  Low Priority  Monitor
Title: Modifying roster requirements of authorizing entities
Current Status: Passed House
Last Action Date: House Message received. 2024-03-07
Summary: Would remove licensees' geographical data from board rosters.
Location: US-WV

AZ SB 1367  Low Priority  Monitor
Title: Occupational license; criminal record
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: Transmit to House. 2024-03-07
Summary: Would relate to criminal offenses.
Location: US-AZ

RI HB 7388  High Priority  Oppose
Title: An Act Relating To Labor And Labor Relations -- Right To Earn A Living Act (Establishes Procedures To Ensure Agency Regulations Don’T Restrict Individuals From Businesses And Professions, Including Home-Based Businesses, Barbers, Hairdressers And Manicurists.)
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: Committee recommended measure be held for further study. 2024-03-07
Summary: Creates the Right to Earn a Living Act.
CT HB 5236

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING, CERTIFICATION, PERMITTING AND REGISTRATION.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (LCO). 2024-03-07

**Summary:** Would among other things, amend landscape architecture provisions related to experience and examination.

**Location:** US-CT

TN HB 694

**Title:** State Government - As introduced, prohibits a person, political subdivision, or public official, in connection with a state emergency, from categorizing or proclaiming by order, rule, or regulation that a lawful occupation is non-essential, or otherwise proclaiming by order, rule, or regulation that a lawful occupation is prohibited from operating based on what the lawful occupation is; specifies that a person harmed by a violation of the prohibition may bring a civil action for actual damages or declaratory relief. - Amends TCA Title 45; Title 47 and Title 58, Chapter 2.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Sponsor(s) Added.. 2024-03-07

**Location:** US-TN

ME LD 2060 (HP 1322)

**Title:** An Act to Amend Licensing Requirements for Landscape Architects

**Current Status:** Passed Senate

**Last Action Date:** Ordered sent down forthwith. 2024-03-07

**Summary:** This bill aligns the licensure requirements for applicants for the landscape architect license with those for architects and removes the requirement that an applicant must complete both the education and experience requirements before being qualified to take the required examination. The bill also authorizes the Maine State Board for Licensure of Architects, Landscape Architects and Interior Designers to specify by rule the required amount of practical experience.
experience that an applicant for licensure as a landscape architect must complete before obtaining a license.

Location: US-ME

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**MO SB 817**  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Modifies provisions relating to professional licensing  
**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Voted Do Pass S Governmental Accountability Committee. 2024-03-07  
**Summary:** Would allow any person who has at least three years of work experience in an occupation or profession in another state, the District of Columbia, or any combination of such jurisdictions, and whose work experience involved the practice of an occupation or profession for which a license is not required in the jurisdiction or jurisdictions in which the person worked but is required in this state, may submit an application for a one-time nonrenewable two-year temporary license.  
**Location:** US-MO

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**FL SB 1600**  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Interstate Mobility  
**Current Status:** Passed House  
**Last Action Date:** Message sent to senate. 2024-03-06  
**Summary:** Would enact Universal Licensure provisions.  
**Location:** US-FL

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**NH HB 1622**  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** relative to administrative rulemaking and license renewals by the office of professional licensure and certification.  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Subcommittee Work Session: 03/13/2024 09:30 am LOB 306-308. 2024-03-06  
**Summary:** This bill makes changes to licensing and administrative procedures impacting various state agencies. It aims to change how the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification (OPLC) handles retention policies and license terms.  
**Location:** US-NH
AL HB 267  High Priority  Support

Title: To provide further for the practice of landscape architecture
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: Boards, Agencies and Commissions - Instrument Change Adopted. 2024-03-06
Summary: Would amend the landscape architecture law to allow the board to align with the uniform licensure standard.
Location: US-AL

OK HB 3253  Medium Priority  Monitor

Title: Professions and occupations; State Architectural and Registered Commercial Interior Designers Act; architects; definitions; Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Commercial Interior Designers of Oklahoma; powers and duties of the Board; fees; cancellation; exempted buildings; interior designers; engineering; land surveying; licensing; State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors; qualifications; Board power and authority; record of proceedings; roster; intern certification; structural engineering; application form; examination; disciplinary action; notice and hearing; administrative penalties; firms; repealer; effective date.
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Referred for engrossment. 2024-03-06
Summary: Would allow the board to use funds to establish and conduct continuing education programs.
Location: US-OK

ID H 505  High Priority  Monitor

Title: DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES – Amends existing law to revise provisions regarding the duration and renewal of occupational and professional licenses.
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Read second time; filed for Third Reading. 2024-03-06
Summary: Would amend existing law to allow for biennial renewal of licenses and biennial continuing education. Would increase the application fee to $200 and the renewal fee to $400.
Location: US-ID

Occupational Licenses

Occupational Licenses

License Renewals

Licensing Fees

FL SB 382  High Priority  Monitor

Title: Continuing Education Requirements

Current Status: Passed House

Last Action Date: Ordered enrolled. 2024-03-05

Summary: Would exempt certain individuals, those who've held a Florida license for 10 years, from completing their continuing education requirements. Proposed law does not apply to architects. An amendment was added to not apply to landscape architects and several other professions, including allied professions.

Location: US-FL

Continuing Education

NE LB 16  Medium Priority  Monitor

Title: LB16 - Require occupational boards to issue certain credentials based on credentials or work experience in another jurisdiction, provide and change requirements regarding applicants with a criminal conviction, provide for jurisprudential examinations and appeals, change requirements for membership of the State Electrical Board, and adopt the Interior Design Voluntary Registration Act

Current Status: Enacted

Last Action Date: Approved by Governor on March 5, 2024. 2024-03-05

Summary: Would require boards to issue certain credentials based on credentials or work experience in another jurisdiction and make a determination regarding an applicant with a criminal conviction. Would not apply to landscape architects, architects, engineers, or CPAs.

Location: US-NE

Criminal Offenses  Universal Licensing

MS HB 707  Low Priority  Monitor

Title: Occupational Licensing Review Commission; revise membership and authority of members of.

Current Status: Failed

Last Action Date: Died In Committee. 2024-03-05
Summary: Would revise membership and authority of members of the Occupational Licensing Review Commission.
Location: US-MS

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**MS HB 872**  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Fresh Start Act of 2019; revise applicability of.
**Current Status:** Failed
**Last Action Date:** Died In Committee. 2024-03-05
**Summary:** Would revise the Fresh Start Act.
**Location:** US-MS

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**FL HB 1273**  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Reciprocity or Endorsement of Licensure
**Current Status:** In House
**Last Action Date:** Laid on Table. 2024-03-05
**Summary:** Would enact Universal Licensure provisions.
**Location:** US-FL

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**AZ HB 2308**  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Occupational licenses; criminal offense; prohibition
**Current Status:** In Senate
**Last Action Date:** Senate Second Reading. 2024-03-04
**Summary:** Would allow an individual to petition a denial, suspension, or revocation of a license.
**Location:** US-AZ

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**NE LB 43**  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** LB43 - Adopt the First Freedom Act and the Personal Privacy Protection Act, authorize tribal regalia to be worn by students, change provisions relating to withholding records from the
public, provide requirements for interpretation of statutes, rules, and regulations, and prohibit state agencies from imposing certain requirements on charitable organizations

**Current Status:** In Legislature  
**Last Action Date:** Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment. 2024-03-04  
**Summary:** Would require hearing officers and judges to interpret statutes and regulations to limit agency power and maximize individual liberty.  
**Location:** US-NE

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**GA HB 1096**  
**Title:** Professional licensing boards; continuing education tracking solution to monitor compliance of licensees with applicable continuing education requirements; establish

**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Senate Read and Referred. 2024-03-04  
**Summary:** Would require the Secretary of State, on behalf of all professional licensing boards, to establish a continuing education tracking solution to monitor compliance of licensees with applicable continuing education requirements. Would allow contracting with a third-party solutions provider.  
**Location:** US-GA

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**AZ HB 2253**  
**Title:** Board of technical registration; continuation

**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Senate Second Reading. 2024-03-04  
**Summary:** Would extend the Board’s termination date to July 1, 2032.  
**Location:** US-AZ

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**FL HB 497**  
**Title:** Continuing Education Requirements  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Laid on Table. 2024-03-04  
**Summary:** Would exempt certain individuals, those who’ve held a Florida license for 10 years, from completing their continuing education requirements. The Senate companion bill was amended to not apply to landscape architects, including our allied professions.
**VA HB 350**  
**High Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, etc., Bd. for; quorum and signature requirements  
**Current Status:** Passed Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Senate: Signed by President. 2024-03-03  
**Summary:** Would reduce the size of quorum needed for the Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects from nine seats to six seats. The engineers, architects, and land surveyors would only need to have one representative board member to be present to meet quorum. The Board size would remain at 15 members.  
**Location:** US-VA

**WA HB 1889**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** Allowing persons to receive professional licenses and certifications regardless of immigration or citizenship status.  
**Current Status:** Passed Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Delivered to Governor. 2024-03-01  
**Summary:** Would allow persons to receive professional licenses and certifications regardless of immigration or citizenship status.  
**Location:** US-WA

**UT HB 534**  
**High Priority**  
**Support**  
**Title:** Boards and Commissions Modifications  
**Current Status:** Passed Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Draft of Enrolled Bill Prepared. 2024-02-29  
**Summary:** Would combined the architecture and landscape architecture boards. Architects would have four seats, landscape architects two seats, and one public member.  
**Location:** US-UT
**NH HB 1272**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** relative to occupational license reciprocity.  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Executive Session: 03/06/2024 01:30 pm LOB 306-308. 2024-02-28  
**Summary:** Would remove the statutory requirement that the licensing requirements for the out of state license be substantially similar for purposes of license reciprocity.  
**Location:** US-NH

**NH HB 1408**  
**High Priority**  
**Support**  
**Title:** relative to the merger of and reorganization of various occupational boards.  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Executive Session: 03/06/2024 01:30 pm LOB 306-308. 2024-02-28  
**Summary:** Would merge the board of architects with the board of landscape architects, and makes other amendments to implement this merger. As introduced, the board would include 2 architects, 2 landscape architects, and a public member.  
**Location:** US-NH

**UT HB 282**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** Utah Office of Regulatory Relief Amendments  
**Current Status:** Passed Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Draft of Enrolled Bill Prepared. 2024-02-28  
**Summary:** Would require the Utah Office of Regulatory Relief review laws and regulations each year affecting different industries to determine if there are laws or regulations that are unnecessarily burdensome to those industries; and submit a report to the Legislature.  
**Location:** US-UT

**ID H 647**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REFORM – Adds to existing law to provide for the efficient renewal of occupational and professional licenses.  
**Current Status:** In House
**Last Action Date:** Reported Printed and Referred to Business. 2024-02-26  
**Summary:** Would provide for a universal licensing renewal form. Would not require an individual to submit continuing education if they reside outside of Idaho, holds a license in their home state (not Idaho), and are required to have continuing education in that home state. Uncertainty on how Idaho would verify this provision.  
**Location:** US-ID

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**AZ SB 1468**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** Judicial review; occupational licenses  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Transmit to House. 2024-02-22  
**Summary:** Would permit an individual to forgo an administrative appeal and seek a judicial review if they believe an agency decision was made for political reasons.  
**Location:** US-AZ

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**IA SF 2385**  
**High Priority**  
**Oppose**  
**Title:** A bill for an act relating to boards, commissions, committees, councils, and other entities of state government, and including effective date and transition provisions.(Formerly SSB 3172.)  
**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Committee report, approving bill.. 2024-02-19  
**Summary:** Would combine the landscape architecture board with the architecture board.  
**Location:** US-IA

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**IA HF 2574**  
**High Priority**  
**Support**  
**Title:** A bill for an act relating to boards, commissions, committees, councils, and other entities of state government, and including transition provisions.(Formerly HSB 710.)  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Introduced, placed on calendar.. 2024-02-19  
**Summary:** Is the companion to SF 2385. Unlike the SF 2385 bill, this bill would maintain separate landscape architecture and architecture boards.  
**Location:** US-IA
GA HB 575  Medium Priority  Oppose

Title: Professions and businesses; licensee may request review of an occupational regulation; provide
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: House Withdrawn, Recommitted. 2024-02-16
Summary: Would allow a licensee to request a review of an occupational regulation. Would require the board to determine if the regulation is the "least restrictive."
Location: US-GA

NH HB 1676  High Priority  Oppose

Title: establishing a sunset commission to evaluate various occupational boards and commissions, and sunsetting various boards and commissions.
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: Refer for Interim Study: MA VV 02/15/2024 HJ 5. 2024-02-15
Summary: Would establish a sunset commission to evaluate various occupational boards and commissions, and sunsetting various boards and commissions. Would not sunset the landscape architecture board, but would sunset the board of accountants, board of architecture, and board of engineers and surveyors.
Location: US-NH

IA SSB 3172

Title: A bill for an act relating to boards, commissions, committees, councils, and other entities of state government, and including effective date and transition provisions.(See SF 2385.)
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Committee report approving bill, renumbered as SF 2385.. 2024-02-14
Summary: Would combine the landscape architecture board with the architecture board.
Location: US-IA

IA SSB 3119  Low Priority  Monitor
Title: A bill for an act concerning the executive branch rulemaking process and other agency functions and related matters. (See SF 2370.)

Current Status: In Senate

Last Action Date: Committee report approving bill, renumbered as SF 2370.. 2024-02-14

Summary: Would strike a requirement that licensing boards require and issue rules for continuing education requirements as a condition to license renewal. The division makes such rulemaking discretionary.

Location: US-IA

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MD SB 1072

Title: Occupational and Professional Licensing - Military Training and Military Spouses

Current Status: In Senate

Last Action Date: Hearing 3/01 at 9:00 a.m. (Education, Energy, and the Environment). 2024-02-13

Summary: Would require an occupational licensing board to issue a license, certificate, permit, or registration to an applicant who is military trained or who is a military spouse if the applicant meets certain requirements.

Location: US-MD

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WV SB 762

Title: Updating requirements for issuance of occupational licenses or other authorization to practice

Current Status: In Senate

Last Action Date: Filed for introduction. 2024-02-13

Summary: Would amend universal licensing provisions. Would eliminate the use of education, experience, and examination for purposes of evaluating an individual who holds a license in another state. Would eliminate the provision requiring an individual to be a resident of West Virginia.

Location: US-WV

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SD SB 57

Title: Create uniform procedures for consideration of criminal histories and convictions in professional or occupational licensure.
**Current Status:** Enacted  
**Last Action Date:** Signed by the Governor on February 12, 2024 S.J. 292. 2024-02-12  
**Summary:** Would provide that an agency or administrator may not take adverse action against an applicant or licensee based on the individual's criminal history, arrest records, criminal court records, or juvenile court records.  
**Location:** US-SD

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**AZ HB 2812**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** Board of technical registration  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** House Second Reading. 2024-02-12  
**Summary:** Would change the makeup of the Technical Registration Board. Would add an architect seat, two PE seats, one home inspector, and one controlling person. It would also decrease public members seats from six to three. Landscape architects retain a seat.  
**Location:** US-AZ

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**WV HB 5592**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** Relating to Legislative Auditor's scope of authority  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Filed for introduction. 2024-02-12  
**Summary:** Would clarify the Legislative Auditor’s scope of authority, who conducts regulatory board reviews. Would clarify that board reviews shall happen once every 12 years.  
**Location:** US-WV

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**MD HB 1201**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**  
**Title:** Occupational and Professional Licensing - Military Training and Military Spouses  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Hearing 3/06 at 1:00 p.m. (Economic Matters). 2024-02-09  
**Summary:** Would require an occupational licensing board to issue a license, certificate, permit, or registration to an applicant who is military trained or who is a military spouse if the applicant meets certain requirements.  
**Location:** US-MD
VA HB 1428  
**Title:** Regulatory boards; application review timelines.  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** House: Stricken from docket by General Laws (20-Y 0-N). 2024-02-08  
**Summary:** Would require each regulatory board within the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to adopt a timeline of each stage that a completed application for licensure, certification, or registration will undergo as it is reviewed by such board.  
**Location:** US-VA

VA SJ 33  
**Title:** Governor; confirming appointments.  
**Current Status:** Enacted  
**Last Action Date:** Senate: Bill text as passed Senate and House (SJ33ER). 2024-02-08  
**Summary:** Confirming Governor’s appointments, including a landscape architecture seat. Susan P. Dibble of Glen Allen, Virginia, Member, appointed September 20, 2023, for a term of four years beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2027, to succeed Frank Hancock.  
**Location:** US-VA

MA H 348  
**Title:** An Act relative to increasing opportunities for employment in professional licensure  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Reporting date extended to Tuesday April 30, 2024, pending concurrence. 2024-02-08  
**Summary:** Would not bar an individual from obtaining an occupational license solely on the basis of a criminal record. Would not permit licensing authorities to consider "moral turpitude" or "good moral character" within their decision process.  
**Location:** US-MA

MA S 2451  
**Title:** Good Moral Character

Criminal Offenses
Title: An Act relative to increasing opportunities for employment in professional licensure
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Reporting date extended to Tuesday April 30, 2024, pending concurrence.
2024-02-08
Summary: Would relate to criminal records and good moral character provisions.
Location: US-MA

AL HB 11  Low Priority  Monitor
Title: State agencies and occupational licensing boards, prohibited from preventing disclosure of misfeasance or malfeasance of employees and contractors
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: State Government - Pending Committee Action In House Of Origin. 2024-02-06
Summary: Would prohibit, state agencies and occupational licensing boards, from preventing disclosure of misfeasance or malfeasance of employees and contractors.
Location: US-AL

AZ SB 1510  Medium Priority  Monitor
Title: Certifying organizations; secretary of state
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Senate Second Reading. 2024-02-06
Summary: Would provide a mechanism for Private Certification organizations to voluntarily register with the state. Would prohibit an privately certified individual from using title protected words.
Location: US-AZ

AK HB 159  Medium Priority  Monitor
Title: "An Act relating to registered interior designers and interior design; establishing requirements for the practice of registered interior design; renaming the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors the State Board of Registration for Design Professionals; relating to the State Board of Registration for Design Professionals; relating to liens for labor or materials furnished; relating to the procurement of interior design services; and providing for an effective date."
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: (H) REFERRED TO FINANCE. 2024-02-02
Summary: Would rename the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors the State Board of Registration for Design Professionals. Would amend the definition of "design professional" to include landscape architects and interior designers.
Location: US-AK

CA SB 358  Low Priority  Monitor
Title: Physicians and surgeons and podiatrists: renewal of expired licenses: payment of accrued fees.
Current Status: Failed
Last Action Date: Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 56.. 2024-02-01
Summary: Existing law provides for the regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs and for the licensure or registration of individuals in this context. Existing law requires these professional and vocational boards, except as specified, to waive renewal fees, continuing education requirements, and other renewal requirements as may be determined applicable by the board, of any licensee or registrant who is called to active duty as a member of the United States Armed Forces or the California National Guard if certain requirements are met. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change in the above-described provisions relating to licensees and registrants who are called to active duty, as specified.
Location: US-CA

IN HB 1348  Medium Priority  Monitor
Title: Professional licensing matters.
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: Representative Goodrich added as coauthor. 2024-01-29
Summary: Would allow the use of certain titles by an individual who is enrolled in or has graduated from a school or college of architecture or an accredited curriculum of landscape architecture. An individual who has graduated from an accredited curriculum of landscape architecture may profess to be a "landscape architectural graduate" and use the term to describe the individual. An individual currently enrolled in, but not yet graduated from, an accredited curriculum of landscape architecture may profess to be a "landscape architectural intern" and use the term to describe the individual.
Location: US-IN
MD HB 175  Low Priority  Monitor
Title: Occupational Licensing and Certification – Criminal History – Prohibited Disclosures and Predetermination Review Process
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: Hearing 2/07 at 2:30 p.m.. 2024-01-29
Summary: The bill seeks to alter certain provisions of law regarding the prohibition of certain departments of State government from denying an occupational license or certificate to an applicant solely on the basis of the criminal history of the applicant by prohibiting a department from requiring disclosure of certain actions on an application and establishing a predetermination review process.
Location: US-MD

WI SB 320  Medium Priority  Monitor
Title: reciprocal credentials. (FE)
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Senate Substitute Amendment 1 offered by Senator Stafsholt. 2024-01-24
Summary: Would expand the state's Universal Licensing provisions to all licensed professions. Would eliminate each profession's individual reciprocity provisions. Would not require state residency for a reciprocal universal license.
Location: US-WI

WI AB 332  Medium Priority  Monitor
Title: reciprocal credentials. (FE)
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Read first time and referred to committee on Licensing, Constitution and Federalism. 2024-01-19
Summary: Would expand the state's Universal Licensing provisions to all licensed professions. Would eliminate each profession's individual reciprocity provisions. Would not require state residency for a reciprocal universal license.
Location: US-WI
AK HB 277  Medium Priority  ⬆️ Support

Title: "An Act relating to occupational licensing; and providing for an effective date."
Current Status: In House
Last Action Date: (H) REFERRED TO WAYS & MEANS. 2024-01-18
Summary: Would provide for Universal Licensing, but would not apply to landscape architecture. Would require licensing fees to be no more than the national average.
Location: US-AK

MD SB 54  Low Priority  ⬤ Monitor

Title: Occupational Licensing and Certification - Criminal History - Prohibited Disclosures and Predetermination Review Process
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m. (Finance). 2024-01-17
Summary: The bill seeks to alter certain provisions of law regarding the prohibition of certain departments of State government from denying an occupational license or certificate to an applicant solely on the basis of the criminal history of the applicant by prohibiting a department from requiring disclosure of certain actions on an application and establishing a predetermination review process.
Location: US-MD

AK SB 157  High Priority  ⬤ Monitor

Title: "An Act establishing the Sunrise Review Board; relating to review of proposed legislation relating to authorization to engage in the practice of a profession or occupation; and providing for an effective date."
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: (S) REFERRED TO LABOR & COMMERCE. 2024-01-16
Summary: Would establish a Sunrise Review Board, who would review proposed legislation relating to "change to licensure." Change to licensure means the creation or recognition in statute of a new type of license to engage in a profession or occupation, a change in the scope of practice of a license issued, or the elimination of a license.
Location: US-AK
**FL HB 1381**  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Interstate Mobility  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Now in Commerce Committee. 2024-01-13  
**Summary:** Would enact Universal Licensure provisions.  
**Location:** US-FL

**WV SB 297**  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Providing that continuing education credits shall be valid for three years  
**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Filed for introduction. 2024-01-11  
**Summary:** Would provide that continuing education credits shall be valid for three years; and to provide that boards may choose to extend the amount of time credits may be valid, up to an additional three years.  
**Location:** US-WV

**IL SB 132**  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Dfpr-Waive Active Military Fee  
**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Re-assigned to Appropriations. 2024-01-10  
**Summary:** Would require the Department to waive all application fees and examination fees for active military personnel and their spouses.  
**Location:** US-IL

**NJ A 2496**  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Clarifies that any State entity that issues professional or occupational licenses will not require individuals to demonstrate lawful presence in New Jersey to obtain professional or occupational licensure.  
**Current Status:** In Assembly
**Last Action Date:** Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee. 2024-01-09

**Summary:** Would clarify that any State entity that issues professional or occupational licenses will not require individuals to demonstrate lawful presence in New Jersey to obtain professional or occupational licensure.

**Location:** US-NJ

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**NJ A 2805**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Requires issuance of report on certain information and data on processing of applications for professional and occupational licenses and mandates review of training and call intake in Division of Consumer Affairs.

**Current Status:** In Assembly

**Last Action Date:** Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee. 2024-01-09

**Summary:** Requires issuance of report on certain information and data on processing of applications for professional and occupational licenses and mandates review of training and call intake in Division of Consumer Affairs.

**Location:** US-NJ

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**NJ S 1298**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Clarifies that any State entity that issues professional or occupational licenses will not require individuals to demonstrate lawful presence in New Jersey to obtain professional or occupational licensure.

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Commerce Committee. 2024-01-09

**Summary:** Clarifies that any State entity that issues professional or occupational licenses will not require individuals to demonstrate lawful presence in New Jersey to obtain professional or occupational licensure.

**Location:** US-NJ

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**NJ A 1027**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Revises requirements and process for temporary courtesy licenses and certificates issued by State Board of Examiners, NJ Board of Nursing, and other professional and occupational licensing boards to nonresident military spouses.
Current Status: In Assembly  
Last Action Date: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee. 2024-01-09  
Summary: Would require each board to establish an expedited licensing process for the issuance of temporary courtesy licenses to nonresident military spouses. Would also clarify that a professional or occupational board may only charge fees related to conducting a criminal history record check to nonresident military spouses.  
Location: US-NJ  

NJ A 2127  
Title: Concerns certain requirements regarding experience and examination for nonresident military spouses seeking professional or occupational licensure.  
Current Status: In Assembly  
Last Action Date: Introduced, Referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee. 2024-01-09  
Summary: Would concern certain requirements regarding experience and examination for nonresident military spouses seeking professional or occupational licensure.  
Location: US-NJ  

WA HB 1359  
Title: Expediting professional licenses for new Washington residents.  
Current Status: In House  
Last Action Date: By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status. 2024-01-08  
Summary: Would direct the department of licensing to expedite the licensing application process for all individuals moving from out of state if, in the opinion of the department, the requirements for licensure, certification, registration, or obtaining a permit of such other state are substantially equivalent to that required in Washington.  
Location: US-WA  

WA HB 1358  
Title: Concerning review standards for professional licensing regulation.  
Current Status: In House  
Last Action Date: By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status. 2024-01-08
**Summary:** Would establish a sunrise review process for any future regulation on newly licensed professions, to ensure concerns for public health and safety are adequately addressed and that the rights and well-being of current and future practitioners of the profession be given full protection from unnecessary regulatory burden.

**Location:** US-WA

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**WA HB 1360**  
**High Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Concerning alternative professional licensing standards.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** Would authorize the Washington state department of licensing, after consulting with relevant trade groups, to develop a competency-based assessment which allows individuals to demonstrate proficiency of the knowledge and skills otherwise required by a professional licensing examination.

**Location:** US-WA

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**MO HB 1962**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Referred: Professional Registration and Licensing(H). 2024-01-05

**Summary:** Would provide that an individual could submit an application for a one-time nonrenewable two-year temporary license if they have at least three years of work experience in another state and which that state didn't require a license.

**Location:** US-MO

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**MO HB 2099**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Read Second Time (H). 2024-01-04

**Summary:** Would allow any person who has at least three years of work experience in an occupation or profession in another state, the District of Columbia, or any combination of such jurisdictions, and whose work experience involved the practice of an occupation or profession for which a license is not required in the jurisdiction or jurisdictions in which the person worked but
is required in this state, may submit an application for a one-time nonrenewable two-year temporary license.

**Location:** US-MO

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**KY HB 117**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** AN ACT relating to professions and occupations.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** to Committee on Committees (H). 2024-01-03

**Summary:** Would prohibit disqualifying individuals from pursuing a professional license solely due to conviction that has been sealed or expunged, convictions older than five years unless the conviction falls under an exception, or a finding that the applicant lacks good character.

**Location:** US-KY

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**KY HB 34**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** AN ACT relating to universal recognition of occupational licenses.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** to Committee on Committees (H). 2024-01-02

**Summary:** Would allow for universal recognition of occupational licenses and government certifications. Would include work experience as a basis for licensure or certification and would explicitly include military personnel and their spouses. Would require that an individual has held a license in another state for one year.

**Location:** US-KY

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**HI SB 499**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Relating To Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors And Landscape Architects.

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** Carried over to 2024 Regular Session. 2023-12-11

**Summary:** Would clarify that the conviction of a crime by a person holding a license to practice professional engineering, architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture in the State, that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of the licensee constitutes a ground for disciplinary action by the State Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects. Would allow the Board to suspend or revoke a convicted
licensee's license or decline to reissue a license to a convicted licensee subject to certain conditions.

Location: US-HI

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**HI HB 178**

**Title:** Relating To Homeowner Associations.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Carried over to 2024 Regular Session.. 2023-12-11

**Location:** US-HI

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**HI SB 1448**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Relating To The State Board Of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, And Landscape Architects.

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** Carried over to 2024 Regular Session.. 2023-12-11

**Summary:** Would increase the number of members composing the State Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects from fourteen to sixteen members, and requires one member to have at least five years of experience as an employee of a government agency.

**Location:** US-HI

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**HI SB 1523**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Support**

**Title:** Relating To The State Board Of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors And Landscape Architects.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Carried over to 2024 Regular Session.. 2023-12-11

**Summary:** Would require the State Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects to, upon its denial of an application for licensure, provide the applicant with a written notice of denial accompanied by a written explanation describing the reasons for the board's denial.

**Location:** US-HI

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**LA Licensing Board**
HI HB 320  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Relating To Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors And Landscape Architects.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Carried over to 2024 Regular Session.. 2023-12-11

**Summary:** Clarifies that the conviction of a crime by a person holding a license to practice professional engineering, architecture, land surveying, or landscape architecture in the State, that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of the licensee constitutes a ground for disciplinary action by the State Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects. Allows the Board to suspend or revoke a convicted licensee's license or decline to reissue a license to a convicted licensee subject to certain conditions.

**Location:** US-HI

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HI HB 1389  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Relating To Professional And Vocational Licensing.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Carried over to 2024 Regular Session.. 2023-12-11

**Summary:** Would require licensing boards to consider relevant education, training, or service completed by an individual as a member of the military. Evidence presented for consideration for fulfillment or partial fulfillment of licensing requirements shall demonstrate substantial equivalency to state standards.

**Location:** US-HI

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HI HB 631  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Relating To Occupational Licensing Reform Task Force.

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Carried over to 2024 Regular Session.. 2023-12-11

**Summary:** Establishes a task force to examine the state policy for the regulation and the need for licensing of occupations. Preliminary report to the 2024 legislature, final report and proposed legislation to the 2025 legislature.

**Location:** US-HI
NH HB 507  High Priority  💔 Oppose

**Title:** relative to unauthorized practice in occupational and professional licensing and certification.

**Current Status:** Failed

**Last Action Date:** Died on Table, Session ended 10/26/2023 HJ 18. 2023-10-27

**Summary:** Would provide that penalties for the unlicensed practice of a profession regulated under the office of professional licensure and certification do not apply so long as the person practicing does not hold themselves out as being licensed or certified and discloses the fact that he or she is not licensed or certified.

**Location:** US-NH

- Consumer Choice A...
- Right to Practice

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NH HB 337  Low Priority  🙌 Support

**Title:** (New Title) relative to directing the office of professional licensure and certification to provide notice of public meetings and an opportunity for comment from the public, and creating a new attorney II position.

**Current Status:** Failed

**Last Action Date:** Notwithstanding the Governor's Veto, Shall HB 337 Become Law: RC 12Y-11N, Veto Sustained, lacking the necessary two-thirds vote; 10/26/2023; SJ 21. 2023-10-26

**Summary:** Would require the office of professional licensure and certification to provide notice of public meetings and an opportunity for comment from the public.

**Location:** US-NH

- Licensing Board Op...

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AK SB 126  Medium Priority  ⚑ Monitor

**Title:** "An Act relating to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; relating to architects, engineers, land surveyors, and landscape architects; and providing for an effective date."

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** (S) EFFECTIVE DATE(S) OF LAW 6/28/23. 2023-10-16

**Summary:** Would amend the definition of "practice of landscape architecture". Would provide greater administrative authority to the Executive Administrator.

**Location:** US-AK

- Landscape Architect...
- Reciprocity
- Licensing Board Op...
NH HB 594  Medium Priority  🔄 Monitor

**Title:** relative to the licensure of out-of-state applicants to boards or commissions organized under the office of professional licensure and certification.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Executive Session: 02/09/2023 01:15 pm LOB 306-308. 2023-10-11

**Summary:** Would authorize the office of professional licensure and certification to issue licenses to out of state applicants who are licensed in another state, if the other state's licensing requirements are substantially similar to those in New Hampshire.

**Location:** US-NH

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MA SD 2536  Low Priority  🔄 Monitor

**Title:** An Act relative to increasing opportunities for employment in professional licensure

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** House concurred. 2023-10-02

**Summary:** Would provide that a licensing authority shall not automatically bar an individual from a professional or occupational license because of a criminal record.

**Location:** US-MA

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NH HB 409  High Priority  🗿 Oppose

**Title:** (Second New Title) relative to the organization of the office of professional licensure and certification.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Signed by Governor Sununu 08/08/2023; Chapter 235; eff: 07/15/2023 HJ 17. 2023-08-10

**Summary:** Creates the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, which will take over various administrative functions currently performed by the licensing boards (including the board of landscape architecture). The purpose of the proposal is to increase efficiencies and customer service.

**Location:** US-NH
NH SB 107  Medium Priority  Monitor
Title: relative to the general administration of regulatory boards and commissions.
Current Status: Enacted
Last Action Date: Ill. Remainder Effective 10/03/2023. 2023-08-09
Summary: Would make certain changes to the administration requirements for regulatory boards and commissions and revises the procedure for occupational licensure applicants with criminal convictions.
Location: US-NH

IL HB 2395  High Priority  Support
Title: Private Detective Act-Misc
Current Status: Enacted
Last Action Date: Public Act ......... 103-0309. 2023-07-28
Summary: Would allow the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to adopt rules of continuing education for persons registered as a landscape architect.
Location: US-IL

NE LR 222  High Priority  Monitor
Title: LR222 - Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for landscape architects for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act
Current Status: In Legislature
Last Action Date: Notice of hearing for September 22, 2023. 2023-07-26
Summary: Would create an interim study to review the credentialing requirements for landscape architects for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act.
Location: US-NE

NH HB 655  High Priority  Oppose
Title: relative to the office of professional licensure and certification.
Current Status: Enacted
Last Action Date: Signed by Governor Sununu 06/28/2023; Chapter 112; eff: 07/01/2023 HJ 16. 2023-06-29

Summary: Creates the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, which will take over various administrative functions currently performed by the licensing boards (including the board of landscape architecture). The purpose of the proposal is to increase efficiencies and customer service.

Location: US-NH

IL HB 2247   High Priority   🇺🇸 Support

Title: Landscape Architect-Cont Ed

Current Status: In Senate

Last Action Date: Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-9(b) / Referred to Assignments. 2023-06-26

Summary: Would allow the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to adopt rules of continuing education for persons registered as a landscape architect.

Location: US-IL

NH HB 2   High Priority   🇺🇸 Oppose

Title: relative to state fees, funds, revenues, and expenditures.

Current Status: Enacted

Last Action Date: Signed by Governor Sununu 06/20/2023; Chapter 79; Eff: 07/01/2023. 2023-06-21

Summary: Would, amongst other provisions, deregulate the landscape architecture profession.

Location: US-NH

VT H 305   Low Priority   🇺🇸 Monitor

Title: An act relating to professions and occupations regulated by the Office of Professional Regulation

Current Status: Enacted

Last Action Date: Delivered to Secretary of State on [June 23, 2023]. 2023-06-20

Summary: Would amend provisions related to the power of the boards. Would provide that synchronous virtual continuing education courses shall qualify as live, in-person training and be
accepted for renewal of the professional license.

**Location:** US-VT

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**TX SB 1659**  
*High Priority*  
*Support*

**Title:** Relating to the sunset review process and certain governmental entities subject to that process.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Effective immediately. 2023-06-18

**Summary:** Would extend the authorization of the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners to 2033.

**Location:** US-TX

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**TX SB 422**  
*Low Priority*  
*Monitor*

**Title:** Relating to the authority of certain military service members to engage in a business or occupation in this state.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Effective on 9/1/23. 2023-06-18

**Summary:** Would allow military service members licensed in other states to engage in a business or occupation in Texas without the need to obtain the applicable license if they meet certain criteria.

**Location:** US-TX

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**NV SB 431**  
*Medium Priority*  
*Monitor*

**Title:** Revises provisions relating to governmental administration. (BDR 18-1089)

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Approved by the Governor. Chapter 532. 2023-06-16

**Summary:** Would create the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards within the Department of Business and Industry and prescribe the duties and responsibilities of the Office with respect to regulatory bodies and other entities.

**Location:** US-NV
**TX HB 4123**

**Title:** Relating to access to and use of certain criminal history record information.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Effective immediately. 2023-06-13

**Summary:** Would permit the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners is entitled to obtain criminal history record information.

**Location:** US-TX

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**WI AB 204**

**Title:** renewal dates and continuing education requirements for certain credentials issued by the Department of Safety and Professional Services and credentialing boards and granting rule-making authority. (FE)

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** Read first time and referred to committee on Licensing, Constitution and Federalism. 2023-06-08

**Summary:** Would revise each two-year renewal period in the health and business professions to four-year renewal periods. Where specified in the statutes, the bill doubles the corresponding credential’s continuing education requirement.

**Location:** US-WI

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**ME LD 1586 (HP 1031)**

**Title:** An Act to Enable Occupational License Portability and Prohibit Use of Good Character Qualifications in Occupational Licensing

**Current Status:** Failed

**Last Action Date:** Placed in Legislative Files (DEAD). 2023-06-06

**Summary:** Would create a Universal Licensure framework and would preclude the use of Good Moral Character as a means to evaluating licensure applicants.

**Location:** US-ME
**NV SB 210**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Revises provisions governing state boards and commissions. (BDR 18-899)  
**Current Status:** Vetoed  
**Last Action Date:** No further consideration. 2023-06-05  
**Summary:** Would declare that the public policy of the State of Nevada includes that persons appointed to certain public bodies by the Governor should reflect the diversity of the State. Would require certain public bodies to submit lists of qualified persons to the Governor to fill vacancies on a board, commission or similar body within 60 days after the vacancy occurs.  
**Location:** US-NV

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**OK SB 58**  
**High Priority**  
**Support**

**Title:** Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Commercial Interior Designers of Oklahoma; extending sunset date. Effective date. Emergency.  
**Current Status:** Vetoed  
**Last Action Date:** Veto override message received. 2023-05-25  
**Summary:** Would extend the sunset date (2026) of the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Commercial Interior Designers of Oklahoma.  
**Location:** US-OK

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**TX HB 2266**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Relating to judicial review of certain local laws applicable to state license holders.  
**Current Status:** Sine Die - Failed  
**Last Action Date:** Not again placed on intent calendar. 2023-05-24  
**Summary:** Would provide a judicial remedy to ensure that a state license holder has the right to engage in an occupation or business activity authorized by and regulated under state law without burdensome or inconsistent local regulation of the state license holder’s occupation or lawful business activities.  
**Location:** US-TX

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**MT HB 87**  
**High Priority**  
**Support**

**Title:** Standardize licensing board organization  
**Current Status:** Enacted  
**Last Action Date:** Chapter Number Assigned. 2023-05-22
**Summary:** Would standardize licensing board operations. Would reduce the Board of Architects and Landscape Architects to five members. Would eliminate one architect to give parity between the professions.

**Location:** US-MT

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**TN SB 1532**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Appropriations - As enacted, makes appropriations for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, and July 1, 2023.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Comp. became Pub. Ch. 418. 2023-05-17

**Location:** US-TN

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**TN HB 1545**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** Appropriations - As enacted, makes appropriations for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, and July 1, 2023.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Effective date(s) 07/01/2023. 2023-05-17

**Location:** US-TN

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**IA SF 514**  
**Low Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** A bill for an act relating to the organization, structure, and functions of state government, providing for salaries of appointed state officers, providing for penalties, making appropriations, providing Code editor directives and transition provisions, and including applicability and effective date provisions. (Formerly SSB 1123.) Contingent effective date. Applicability date: Enactment, 07/01/2023.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Fiscal note. 2023-05-16

**Summary:** Would restructure state government agencies, including who the Landscape Architectural Examining Board reports to. The board would report to the Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing.

**Location:** US-IA
WA HB 1301  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Creating license review and reporting requirements.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Effective date 7/23/2023. 2023-05-11

**Summary:** Would establish a sunset review process for all professional licensing requirements regulated by the department of licensing, to ensure that the rights and well-being of current and future practitioners of the profession be given full protection from unnecessary regulatory burden and that regulations meant to safeguard public health and safety are still warranted.

**Location:** US-WA

SC H 3605  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Earn and Learn Act of 2023

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Last Action Date:** Act No. 13. 2023-05-10

**Summary:** Would provide regulations for licensee rights regarding board investigations.

**Location:** US-SC

MT HB 152  High Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Revise laws related to professional and occupational licensure

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** (S) Died in Standing Committee. 2023-05-08


**Location:** US-MT
**TX HB 1570**  
*Title:* Relating to the sunset review process and certain governmental entities subject to that process.  
*Current Status:* Sine Die - Failed  
*Last Action Date:* Considered in Calendars. 2023-05-08  
*Summary:* Would extend the authorization of the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners to 2033.  
*Location:* US-TX

**MT HB 115**  
*Title:* Consolidating and clarifying penalties for unlicensed practice  
*Current Status:* Enacted  
*Last Action Date:* Chapter Number Assigned. 2023-05-04  
*Summary:* Would consolidate "title protection" in the state and provide for penalties for unlicensed practice.  
*Location:* US-MT

**ME LD 1628 (SP 645)**  
*Title:* An Act to Reform the Occupational Licensing Regime by Including Portability and Removing Good Character Requirements  
*Current Status:* Failed  
*Last Action Date:* Pursuant to Joint Rule 310.3 Placed in Legislative Files (DEAD). 2023-05-02  
*Summary:* Would create a Universal Licensure framework and would preclude the use of Good Moral Character as a means to evaluating licensure applicants.  
*Location:* US-ME

**ND HB 1465**  
*Title:* AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 43-03-03 and 43-03-04 and subsections 4 and 5 of section 43-03-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to membership of the state board of architecture and landscape architecture; and to provide for application.  
*Current Status:* Enacted
**Summary:** Modifies the State Board of Architecture and Landscape Architecture to add one seat for a landscape architect and one for a member of the general public. Previously, only three architects were permitted to be members of the board.

**Location:** US-ND

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**OK HB 2805**  
**Title:** Sunset; Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Commercial Interior Designers of Oklahoma; re-creating Board; modifying termination date.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Summary:** Would reauthorize the landscape architecture board to 2029.

**Location:** US-OK

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**ND SB 2249**  
**Title:** AN ACT to create and enact a new chapter to title 34 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the efficiency of administration of occupational boards; to provide for a report to the legislative management; and to provide an effective date.

**Current Status:** Enacted

**Summary:** Would require the labor commissioner to hold meetings with each occupational board under title 43. The topics addressed at the meetings must include administration of the boards, continuing education, and the licensure of out-of-state applicants, with a goal of establishing a strategy to centralize administration of the boards under the commissioner, to license out-of-state licensees within seventy-two hours of application, and to revise continuing education requirements to recognize long-practicing professionals. The labor commissioner shall prepare and request introduction of legislation for the sixty-ninth legislative assembly which provides for centralization of administration of occupational boards under the commissioner, streamlining of licensure of out-of-state licensees, and revision of continuing education requirements.

**Location:** US-ND

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**NV AB 402**

**Title:**

**Current Status:**

**Summary:**

**Location:**
Title: Revises provisions relating to licensing. (BDR 54-740)
Current Status: Sine Die - Failed
Last Action Date: (Pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3.1, no further action allowed.). 2023-04-15
Summary: Would require a regulatory body to submit to the Governor and the Legislature a biennial report containing certain information concerning each occupation or profession licensed and regulated by the regulatory body. The regulatory body must identify the number of states that do not require a person to be licensed to practice the occupation or profession; and identify the number of states that provide for reciprocity of licensure to practice the occupation or profession.
Location: US-NV

NV SB 399  Medium Priority  Monitor

Title: Revises provisions governing occupational and professional licensing. (BDR 54-577)
Current Status: Sine Die - Failed
Last Action Date: (Pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3.1, no further action allowed.). 2023-04-15
Summary: Would require regulatory bodies to issue a license by endorsement to engage in an occupation or profession without the regulatory body having to adopt regulations.
Location: US-NV

ND SB 2184  Medium Priority  Monitor

Title: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-51 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to uniform regulation of occupations and professions; and to amend and reenact section 54-10-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duties of the state auditor.
Current Status: Failed
Last Action Date: Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 14 nays 78. 2023-04-03
Summary: Would create law providing for the uniform regulation of occupations and professions. Would provide for a legislative management study of the state's occupations and professions.
Location: US-ND
GA SB 195  Medium Priority  ⚡ Monitor

Title: "Freedom to Work Act"; enact
Current Status: Passed House
Last Action Date: House Passed/Adopted By Substitute. 2023-03-27
Summary: Would create a Universal Licensure Program for military members and their spouse.
Location: US-GA

GA SR 85  High Priority  ⚡ Monitor

Title: Senate Occupational Licensing Study Committee; create
Current Status: Enacted
Last Action Date: Senate Passed/Adopted. 2023-03-27
Summary: Would create the Senate Occupational Licensing Study Committee.
Location: US-GA

KS HB 2388  Low Priority  ⚡ Monitor

Title: Requiring that licensing bodies provide paper-based and verified electronic credentials to credential holders, including military servicemembers and others receiving Kansas credentials based on their credentials from other jurisdictions, that the secretary of administration develop and implement an electronic license verification system, that centralized electronic credential data management systems be established with instant verification systems operated by licensing bodies and excepting the certification of law enforcement officers from all provisions of the amended section.
Current Status: In Senate
Last Action Date: Referred to Committee on Commerce. 2023-03-21
Summary: Would require that licensing bodies provide verified electronic credentials to credential holders, including military servicemembers and others receiving Kansas credentials based on their credentials from other jurisdictions, and use centralized electronic credential data management systems with instantaneous credential verification and an auditable record.
Location: US-KS
TN SB 574  Monitor

**Title:** State Government - As introduced, prohibits a person, political subdivision, or public official, in connection with a state emergency, from categorizing or proclaiming by order, rule, or regulation that a lawful occupation is non-essential, or otherwise proclaiming by order, rule, or regulation that a lawful occupation is prohibited from operating based on what the lawful occupation is; specifies that a person harmed by a violation of the prohibition may bring a civil action for actual damages or declaratory relief. - Amends TCA Title 45; Title 47 and Title 58, Chapter 2.

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** Action deferred in Senate State & Local Government Committee to final calendar of 2024. 2023-03-21

**Location:** US-TN

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TX HB 3714  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Relating to limitations on the enforcement of certain occupational regulations.

**Current Status:** Sine Die - Failed

**Last Action Date:** Referred to State Affairs. 2023-03-20

**Summary:** Would require each licensing authority shall conduct a comprehensive review of each occupational regulation applicable to a license issued by the authority and for each occupational regulation. A allow any person to petition a licensing authority to repeal or modify an occupational regulation applicable to a license issued by the authority if the regulation violates the policy provided by Section 2.002.

**Location:** US-TX

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IA HF 662  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** A bill for an act relating to the organization, structure, and functions of state government, providing for salaries of appointed state officers, providing for penalties, making appropriations, providing Code editor directives and transition provisions, and including applicability and effective date provisions.(Formerly HSB 126.)

**Current Status:** In House

**Last Action Date:** Withdrawn. 2023-03-15

**Summary:** Would eliminate the professional licensing and regulation bureau of the banking division of the department of commerce and transfers duties of the bureau as well as other department of commerce duties to the department of inspections, appeals, and licensing (DIAL). This would impact the Board of Landscape Architects.
TX HB 3353  Medium Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Relating to the recognition of occupational licenses and government certifications issued in other states; imposing a fee.
**Current Status:** Sine Die - Failed
**Last Action Date:** Referred to State Affairs. 2023-03-15
**Summary:** Would create a Universal Licensing Program.
**Location:** US-TX

TX HB 3133  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Relating to the electronic system for occupational licensing transactions administered by the Department of Information Resources.
**Current Status:** Sine Die - Failed
**Last Action Date:** Referred to State Affairs. 2023-03-14
**Summary:** Would relate to electronic technology for occupational licensing transactions.
**Location:** US-TX

IL HB 1217  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Veterans' Licensure Task Force
**Current Status:** In House
**Last Action Date:** Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee. 2023-03-10
**Summary:** Creates the Veterans' Licensure and Workforce Task Force Act. Creates the Veterans' Licensure and Workforce Task Force Act.
**Location:** US-IL

IL HB 2540  Low Priority  Monitor

**Title:** Veterans Bill Of Rights
**Current Status:** In House
**Last Action Date:** Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee. 2023-03-10
Summary: Would direct the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to review all State licenses for which military service members may have relevant training or experience, produce a report recommending steps that can be taken to increase recognition of military training and experience toward licensing, and take those steps within one year of issuing the report.

Location: US-IL

TX SB 1200 Medium Priority Monitor

Title: Relating to the issuance of a license by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation to certain out-of-state applicants; authorizing a fee.

Current Status: Sine Die - Failed

Last Action Date: Referred to Business & Commerce. 2023-03-09

Summary: Would create a Universal Licensing Program.

Location: US-TX

MA HD 2527 Low Priority Monitor

Title: An Act relative to increasing opportunities for employment in professional licensure

Current Status: In House

Last Action Date: Senate concurred. 2023-02-16

Summary: Eliminates the Good Moral Character provision for landscape architecture licensure.

Location: US-MA

ND HB 1372 Medium Priority Monitor

Title: A BILL for an Act to create and enact sections 43-51-12.1 and 43-51-12.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to occupational and professional licensing of foreign practitioners who are residents of the state; to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 15.1-13-17 and sections 15.1-13-17.1 and 15.1-18-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to licensure of teachers; and to provide for a legislative management report.

Current Status: Failed

Last Action Date: Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 0 nays 90. 2023-02-10

Summary: Would relate to providing reciprocity to foreign practitioners who are residents of the state. Would require licensing boards to submit legislation to bring their statutes into alignment with this proposed act.
**SC H 3515**  
**High Priority**  
**Oppose**

**Title:** Entrepreneur Freedom Act  
**Current Status:** In House  
**Last Action Date:** Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: White. 2023-02-08  
**Summary:** Would deregulate the Landscape Architecture profession.  
**Location:** US-SC

**OK SB 896**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Oppose**

**Title:** Occupation certification; allowing for private certification of professionals. Effective date.  
**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Second Reading referred to Business and Commerce. 2023-02-07  
**Summary:** Would allow for the acceptance of Private Certification of Professionals.  
**Location:** US-OK

**OK SB 895**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Oppose**

**Title:** Labor; creating the Right to Earn a Living Act; limiting occupational license regulations to fulfill certain objections. Effective date.  
**Current Status:** In Senate  
**Last Action Date:** Second Reading referred to Business and Commerce. 2023-02-07  
**Summary:** Would create the Right to Earn a Living Act.  
**Location:** US-OK

**ND SB 2337**  
**Medium Priority**  
**Monitor**

**Title:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 54-44 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to services provided to occupational and professional boards; and to amend and reenact sections 6-09-07 and 54-59-01 of the North Dakota Century Code,
relating to occupational and professional board financial and information technology requirements.

**Current Status:** Failed

**Last Action Date:** Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 1 nays 46. 2023-01-30

**Summary:** Would create the Office of Management and Budget to provide administrative services to all occupational and professional boards.

**Location:** US-ND

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**SC S 165**  
Low Priority  

[Monitor]

**Title:** Board regulation of professions and occupations

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Last Action Date:** Committee report: Favorable Labor, Commerce and Industry (Senate Journal-page 7). 2023-01-26

**Summary:** Would provide that licensing boards may not solely deny a license based upon an applicant’s prior criminal conviction.

**Location:** US-SC

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