

**LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS AS REQUIRED BY
NRS 233B.066
LCB FILE R005-21**

The following statement is submitted for adopted amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 623.

1. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation.

This proposed regulation mainly revises provisions relating to the examination for architects by adding an option for candidates who are enrolled in an Integrated Pathway to Architectural Licensing (IPAL) option from a NAAB-accredited program and allow them to take the Architect Registration Examination before obtaining their degree under Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 623. It also removes obsolete language no longer in use like changing the name of the national organization for registered interior design and updating its website and physical address. Additional revisions were just housekeeping updates.

2. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Copies of the proposed regulations, notices of workshop and notices of intent to act upon the regulation were sent by U.S. mail and email to persons who were known to have an interest in the subject of architecture, residential design and registered interior design as well as any persons who had specifically requested such notice. These documents were also made available at the website of the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design, www.nsbaidrd.org, mailed to all county libraries in Nevada and posted at the following locations:

Department of Business and
Industry
788 Fairview Dr. #100 Carson
City, Nevada 89701

Grant Sawyer Building
555 E. Washington Blvd.,
Suite 4900
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Legislative Building 401 South
Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89710
The Bradley Building
2501 East Sahara Ave. Las Vegas,
Nevada 89104

Nevada Dept. Of Cultural
Affairs
100 Stewart St.
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Legislative Counsel Bureau Website

A workshop was held on October 15, 2020 held virtually in Las Vegas, Nevada at 2:00 p.m. for the temporary regulation (T001-20). To convert this temporary regulation we held a virtual public hearing on October 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. There were no members of the public present by Zoom at the hearing. Any further information may be obtained by contacting Monica Harrison at (702) 486-7300 at the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design, 2080 E. Flamingo Rd. Ste. 120, Las Vegas, NV 89119.

3. **The number persons who:**
 - (a) **Attended each hearing:** October 15, 2020 -7 October 20, 2021 - 0
 - (b) **Testified at each hearing:** October 15, 2020 - 7 October 20, 2021-0
 - (c) **Submitted to the agency written comments:** 0 comments were submitted. All in favor

4. **A list of names and contact information, including telephone number, business address, business telephone number, electronic mail address, and name of entity or organization represented, for each person identified above in #3, as provided to the agency, is attached as Exhibit A.**
 - A. Does not apply

5. **A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

Comments were solicited from affected businesses in the same manner as they were solicited from the public. Through its newsletter and e-mail blasts, the Board sent notices of the proposed regulations to all of its registrants and small businesses on September 30th, 2020 and September 20, 2021 (Email, Facebook & Twitter). The agency discussed and reviewed the proposed regulations at three of its publicly noticed board meetings on June 6, 2018, January 15, 2020 and August 19, 2020 and also posted a copy of the draft regulations on its website on September 30th, 2020 and September 20, 2021. The Board held a Public Workshop on October 15, 2020 virtually, and a Public Hearing on January 20, 2021 also held virtually for the temporary regulation. To convert this regulation into a permanent regulation, the Board held a virtual Public Hearing on October 20, 2021. The agency used informed, reasonable judgment in determining that there will not be an impact on small businesses resultant from the regulation change since no fees are being increased. Any further information may be obtained by contacting the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design, 2080 E. Flamingo Rd. Ste. 120, Las Vegas, NV 89119.

6. If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change.

The temporary regulation was adopted on January 20, 2021 by a quorum of the NSBAIDRD full board and adopted on October 20, 2021 by a quorum of the NSBAIDRD full board as a permanent regulation, and included all of the changes suggested at the workshop that was held on October 15, 2020 (virtual meeting). After the board reviewed all comments from the public, The Board believes that the proposed regulations reflect the intent of the board and therefore, the temporary regulation was adopted without any revisions.

7. The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulation on the businesses which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately, and each case must include:

(a) Both adverse and beneficial effects on businesses; and

(b) Both immediate and long-term effects on businesses.

(a) Both adverse and beneficial effects

The intent of the proposed regulations under R005-21 should have no adverse economic effect on businesses. The intent of the proposed regulations under R005-21 is to add an option for candidates who are enrolled in an Integrated Pathway to Architectural Licensing (IPAL) option from a NAAB-accredited program and allow them to take the Architect Registration Examination before obtaining their degree under Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 623. Additional revisions were just housekeeping updates of obsolete information. The beneficial effects are that applicants enrolled in the IPAL option can complete their education and intern hours and take the exams in almost half the time of the more traditional path. The proposed regulation will also update and remove obsolete information; the Board doesn't anticipate an adverse effect upon the intent of the regulation.

(b) Both immediate and long-term effects.

The immediate effect of R001-21 will be that applicants enrolled in the IPAL option can complete their education and intern hours and take the exams in almost half the time of the more traditional path. Business may encourage their interns to select a shorter path to licensure. The indirect effect is that the applicants will have the opportunity to enter into the profession having more options and having more opportunities with the addition of an alternative licensing path. The Board has determined the proposed language will not restrict the formation, operation, or expansion of small businesses.

Long-term effects on the businesses are that it will give candidates an option to enrolled in more streamline program to be able to complete their education, intern hours and obtain their degree in half the time of the more traditional path.

- (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects on the public; and**
- (b) Both immediate and long-term effects on the public.**

(a) Both adverse and beneficial effects

The intent of the proposed regulations under R005-21 should have no adverse economic effect on the public. The beneficial effects are that applicants enrolled in the IPAL option can complete their education and intern hours and take the exams in almost half the time of the more traditional path. The proposed regulation will also update and remove obsolete information; the Board doesn't anticipate an adverse effect upon the intent of the regulation.

(b) Both immediate and long-term effects.

The immediate effect of R005-21 is that applicants enrolled in the IPAL option will have the opportunity to complete their education, intern hours and take the exams in almost half the time of the more traditional path. The indirect effect is that the applicants will have the opportunity to enter into the profession having more options and having more opportunities with the addition of an alternative path.

Long-term effects on the businesses are that it will give candidates an option to enrolled in more streamline program to be able to complete their education, intern hours and obtain their degree in half the time of the more traditional path.

8. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulation.

There is no cost to the agency.

9. A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency.

There are no other state or government agency regulations that the proposed regulation duplicates.

10. If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

Does not apply.

- 11. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**

Does not apply.