



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 173

LCO No. 1361

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:

(GL)

AN ACT CONCERNING ARCHITECTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 20-294 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

3 The board may suspend for a definite period, not to exceed one
4 year, or revoke any license or certificate of authority issued under this
5 chapter, after notice and hearing in accordance with the regulations
6 adopted by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, or may
7 officially censure any person holding any such license or certificate of
8 authority and may assess a civil penalty of up to one thousand dollars,
9 (1) if it is shown that the license or certificate was obtained through
10 fraud or misrepresentation, (2) if the holder of the license or certificate
11 has been found guilty by the board or by a court of competent
12 jurisdiction of any fraud or deceit in such holder's professional practice
13 or has been convicted of a felony, (3) if the holder of the license or
14 certificate has been found guilty by the board of gross incompetency or
15 of negligence in the planning or construction of buildings, or (4) if it is
16 shown to the satisfaction of the board that the holder of the license or
17 certificate has violated any provision of this chapter or any regulation

18 adopted under this chapter. The board may reissue any such license or
19 certificate which has been revoked, and may modify the suspension of
20 any such license or certificate which has been suspended.

21 Sec. 2. Section 20-296 of the general statutes is repealed and the
22 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

23 The board may, upon the complaint of any one or more licensed
24 architects or on its own motion, request the Department of Consumer
25 Protection to inquire into the existence of any violations of the
26 provisions of this chapter or the regulations adopted under this
27 chapter. If the board determines that a violation of any such provision
28 or regulation exists, the board may issue an appropriate order to the
29 person or persons found to be so violating such provision or
30 regulation, providing for the immediate discontinuance of such
31 violation, or may assess a civil penalty of up to one thousand dollars,
32 or both.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	20-294
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	20-296

Statement of Purpose:

To grant the Architectural Licensing Board the authority to assess civil penalties of up to one thousand dollars for violations of architectural laws.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]