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39 N.J.R. 5132(b)
N.J.A.C. 13:27-3.1, N.J.A.C. 13:27-9.2 and N.J.A.C. 13:27-9.4

Notice of Action on Petition for Rulemaking

Make Course of Study Accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) "Substantially Equivalent" to Council for Interior Design Certification (CIDA) Accredited Program for Certification of Interior Designer; and Definitions of "Non-Load Bearing" and "Building Systems"

Petitioner: AIA -- New Jersey

Take notice that on September 7, 2007, petitioner, AIA-New Jersey, filed a petition with the New Jersey State Board of Architects (Board) requesting that the Board promulgate a new regulation at N.J.A.C. 13:27-9.4(a)5v. That regulation would make completion of a course of study accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) by a licensed architect "substantially equivalent" to the required interior design program accredited by the Council for Interior Design Certification (CIDA) for purposes of fulfilling the education requirement for certification as an interior designer pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:27-9. In addition, the petition seeks to amend N.J.A.C. 13:27-3.1 and 9.2 to include definitions of "non-load bearing" and "building systems" that are consistent with the meaning of those terms under the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, the latest editions of the model codes of the International Code Council, Inc., and definitions established by sister boards. A notice acknowledging receipt of the petition and summarizing its contents was published in the October 15, 2007 New Jersey Register at 39 N.J.R. 4454(a).

Take further notice that this petition was considered by the Board at its October 25, 2007 meeting. At that time, the Board, upon Committee recommendation, determined that further deliberation is necessary by way of research and information gathering. Thus, the Board is referring the matter for further deliberations pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2(a)3.

A copy of this public notice has been mailed to the petitioner.