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To: Business and
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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 2279

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-1-21, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE THE EXAMINATION AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF
3 NONRESIDENT ARCHITECTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 SECTION 1. Section 73-1-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 73-1-21. Any architect residing outside this state may
8 obtain a certificate to practice in the State of Mississippi by
9 complying with Section 73-1-13, and by paying the fees prescribed
10 by the rules of the board; provided, however, no such nonresident
11 applicant shall receive a certificate to practice in this state
12 unless the applicant furnishes evidence satisfactory to the board
13 that the applicant holds a current and valid registration issued
14 by a registration authority recognized by the board, holds a
15 National Council of Architectural Registration Board's
16 certificate, has never been restrained from practicing
17 architecture, and has never had a certificate or license revoked.
18 Each nonresident applicant shall submit, as a part of the
19 application, a sworn affidavit stating that neither such applicant
20 nor any person in, or agent of, the applicant's firm has
21 practiced, is practicing or has solicited architectural work in
22 this state prior to the applicant having been licensed by the
23 board unless such person or agent holds a license to practice
24 architecture in this state. Failure to submit this affidavit is
25 just cause for disapproval of the application. Every applicant
26 for reciprocity registration shall comply fully with the

27 requirements for resident applicants, except that nonresident
28 applicants who met the requirements for issuance of a certificate
29 of registration by the board prior to January 1, 1987, and who, on
30 that date, held a current and valid registration by a registration
31 authority recognized by the board or were qualified exam
32 candidates in another jurisdiction recognized by the board. The
33 board shall have the further right to exercise its discretion as
34 to whether such nonresident architect shall be issued such
35 certificate to practice.

36 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
37 and after July 1, 2000.