Dear Senators PATRICK, Agenbroad, Ward-Engelking, and Representatives DIXON, DeMordaunt, Smith:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - Board of Architectural Examiners:
IDAPA 24.01.01 - Notice of Omnibus Rulemaking (Fee Rule) - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 24-0101-2000F).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 10/30/2020. If a meeting is called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 11/27/2020.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement, and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4854, or send a written request to the address on the memorandum attached below.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Commerce & Human Resources Committee and the House Business Committee

FROM: Legislative Drafting Attorney - Matt Drake

DATE: October 13, 2020

SUBJECT: Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - Board of Architectural Examiners

IDAPA 24.01.01 - Notice of Omnibus Rulemaking (Fee Rule) - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 24-0101-2000F)

Summary and Stated Reasons for the Rule

The Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses submits notice of proposed fee rule. According to the Division, the rulemaking republishes the temporary rule chapter that was previously submitted under IDAPA 24.01.01, rules of the Board of Architectural Examiners. The Division states that the fee rules do not impose a fee or charge, or increase a fee or charge, beyond what was previously submitted to and reviewed by the Legislature in the prior rules.

Negotiated Rulemaking/Fiscal Impact

The Division notes that negotiated rulemaking was not conducted because engaging in negotiated rulemaking for all previously existing rules would inhibit the Division’s ability to serve the citizens of Idaho and to protect their health, safety, and welfare. The Division also confirms that the rulemaking is not anticipated to have any fiscal impact on the general fund.

Statutory Authority

The rulemaking appears to be authorized pursuant to Section 54-308, Idaho Code.

cc: Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - Board of Architectural Examiners
Russ Barron

*** PLEASE NOTE ***

Per the Idaho Constitution, all administrative rules may be reviewed by the Legislature during the next legislative session. The Legislature has 3 options with this rulemaking docket: 1) Approve the docket in its entirety; 2) Reject the docket in its entirety; or 3) Reject the docket in part.
IDAPA 24 – DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES
24.01.01 – RULES OF THE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS
DOCKET NO. 24-0101-2000F (FEE RULE)
NOTICE OF OMNIBUS RULEMAKING – PROPOSED RULE

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Section 54-308, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Opportunity for presentation of oral comments concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled in accordance with Section 67-5222, Idaho Code.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is the required finding and concise statement of the purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

This proposed rulemaking re-publishes the following existing temporary rule chapter previously submitted to and reviewed by the Idaho Legislature under IDAPA 24.01.01, rules of the Board of Architectural Examiners:

IDAPA 24.01
• 24.01.01, Rules of the Board of Architectural Examiners.

FEE SUMMARY: This rulemaking does not impose a fee or charge, or increase a fee or charge, beyond what was previously submitted to and reviewed by the Idaho Legislature in the prior rules. Fees are established in accordance with Section 54-313, Idaho Code, as follows:

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FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year: This rulemaking is not anticipated to have any fiscal impact on the state general fund because the FY 2021 budget has already been set by the Legislature, and approved by the Governor, anticipating the existence of the rules and fees being reauthorized by this rulemaking.

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, negotiated rulemaking was not feasible because engaging in negotiated rulemaking for all previously existing rules will inhibit the agency from carrying out its ability to serve the citizens of Idaho and to protect their health, safety, and welfare.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, incorporated material may be obtained or electronically accessed as provided in the text of the proposed rules attached hereto.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Rob McQuade at (208) 334-3233.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding the proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered within twenty-one (21) days after publication of this Notice in the
Idaho Administrative Bulletin. Oral presentation of comments may be requested pursuant to Section 67-5222(2), Idaho Code, and must be delivered to the undersigned within fourteen (14) days of the date of publication of this Notice in the Idaho Administrative Bulletin.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2020.

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000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.
These rules are hereby prescribed and established pursuant to the authority vested in the Board of Architectural Examiners by the provisions of Section 54-308, Idaho Code.

001. TITLE AND SCOPE.
These rules are titled IDAPA 24.01.01, “Rules of the Board of Architectural Examiners.”

002. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE.
The document titled NCARB Rules of Conduct as published by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, dated July 2014, is hereby incorporated by reference. All documents incorporated by reference can be obtained at the office of the Division and on the Board website.

003. -- 009. (RESERVED)

010. DEFINITIONS.

01. AXP. Architectural Experience Program.

02. Direct Supervision. Direct supervision of an unlicensed individual in the practice of architecture means the exercise of management, control, authority, responsibility, oversight and guidance over the unlicensed individuals work, activities and conduct.

03. NAAB. National Architectural Accrediting Board.

04. NCARB. National Council of Architectural Registration Board.

011. -- 099. (RESERVED)

100. ORGANIZATION.

01. Organization of the Board. At the first meeting of each calendar year, the Board shall organize and elect from its members a Chairman and Vice Chairman, who shall assume the duties of their respective offices immediately upon such selection.

02. Board Members and Duties.

a. Chairman. The Chairman shall be a voting member of the Board, and when present preside at all meetings, appoint with the consent of the Board, all committees, and shall otherwise perform all duties pertaining to the office of Chairman. The Chairman shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

b. Vice Chairman. The Vice Chairman shall, in the absence or incapacity of the Chairman exercise the duties and possess all the powers of the Chairman.

101. -- 149. (RESERVED)

150. PROCEDURES AND DUTIES.

01. Meetings. The Board shall meet at least four (4) times annually at such times and places as designated by the Board or the Chairman of the Board. Special meetings may be held at the call of the Chairman or at the request of two (2) Board members, and all members shall be notified in writing, thereof.

02. Voting. Any motion before the Board shall fail on a tie vote.

151. -- 174. (RESERVED)

175. APPLICANT PAST CRIME REVIEW.
01. **Review Authority.** In reviewing an Applicant for licensure who has been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor as set forth in section 54-314(1)(d) Idaho Code, the Board may utilize the following process and factors to determine the applicant's suitability for licensure:

02. **Exemption Review.** The exemption review shall consist of a review of any documents relating to the crime and any supplemental information provided by the applicant bearing upon his suitability for registration. The Board may, at its discretion, grant an interview of the applicant.

a. During the review, the Board shall consider the following factors or evidence:

i. The severity or nature of the crime;

ii. The period of time that has passed since the crime under review;

iii. The number or pattern of crimes or other similar incidents;

iv. The circumstances surrounding the crime that would help determine the risk of repetition;

v. The relationship of the crime to the practice of architecture; and

vi. The applicant's activities since the crime under review, such as employment, education, treatment, payment of restitution, or any other factors which may be evidence of current rehabilitation.

b. The applicant shall bear the burden of establishing their current suitability for licensure.

176. -- 199. (RESERVED)

200. **FEES FOR EXAMINATIONS AND LICENSURE.**

No refund of fees shall be made.

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201. -- 249. (RESERVED)

250. **QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS FOR EXAMINATION.**

01. **Accredited Degree Applicants.** All applicants for the Architectural Registration Examination (ARE) shall possess a professional degree in architecture from a program that is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) or that is approved by the Board. All applicants for the ARE must have started or completed the Architectural Experience Program (AXP) requirements.
02. **Experience in Lieu of Degree Applicants.** The Board may allow an applicant without an architecture degree to sit for the architecture examination upon determining that such applicant has attained the knowledge and skill approximating that attained by graduation from an accredited architecture curriculum including the submission of a record of eight (8) years or more of experience in architecture work of a character deemed satisfactory by the Board. Said experience may include that necessary for completion of the AXP. Two (2) years of eight (8) or more years of experience may be accepted if determined that such experience is directly related to architecture under the direct supervision of a registered engineer (practicing as a structural, civil, mechanical or electrical engineer in the field of building construction) or a registered landscape architect. At least six (6) years of such experience must be obtained while working under the direct supervision of a licensed architect. A person is qualified for the examination once they have met the experience requirement and started the AXP.

251. – 299. (RESERVED)

300. **APPLICATION.**

01. **Licensure by Examination.**

a. Application for licensure by examination shall be made on the uniform application form adopted by the Board.

b. Applicants shall furnish all information required by the uniform application form and shall include the following:

   i. If applying based upon an accredited degree: Furnish certification of graduation and a certified transcript of all subjects and grades received for all college courses taken.

   ii. If applying based upon experience in lieu of an accredited degree: Furnish statement or statements, of all actual architectural or other applicable experience signed by the person under whose supervision the work was performed, giving kind and type of work done, together with dates of employment.

c. Application shall not be reviewed by the Board until all required information is furnished and the required fee is paid.

d. Applications received less than seven (7) days prior to a Board meeting may be held over to the next meeting.

02. **Licensure by Endorsement -- Blue Cover.** General requirements. Application shall be accompanied by a current blue cover dossier compiled by the NCA RB certifying that the applicant has satisfactorily passed the standard NCARB examinations, or NCARB authorized equivalent and shall include letters, transcripts, and other documents substantiating all statements relative to education and experience made in said application as required by the Board.

03. **Licensure by Endorsement -- Equivalency.**

a. Applicants for licensure by endorsement must submit a complete application, verified under oath, to the Board at its official address. The application must be on the forms approved by the Board and submitted together with the appropriate fee(s) and supporting documentation.

b. Applicants shall provide proof of holding a current and valid license issued by another state, a licensing authority recognized by the Board.

c. Applicants shall provide proof of satisfactorily passing the NCARB examinations or NCARB authorized equivalent examination, as determined by the Board.

301. – 349. (RESERVED)

350. **REGISTRATION EXAMINATION.**
The Board, having found that the content and methodology of the ARE prepared by NCARB is the most practicable and effective examination to test an applicant’s qualifications for registration, adopts the ARE as the single, written and/or electronic examination for registration of architects in this state, and further adopts the following rules with respect thereto:

01. When Taken. The Board will cause the ARE, prepared by NCARB, to be administered to all applicants eligible, in accordance with the requirements of the Board, by their training and education to be examined for registration on dates scheduled by the NCARB. The Board shall cause repeat divisions of the ARE to be administered to qualified candidates on such dates as are scheduled by the NCARB. The ARE examination is a multiple part examination prepared by NCARB. Content of the examination in all of its sections is available from the Board or NCARB.

02. Grading. The ARE shall be graded in accordance with the methods and procedures recommended by the NCARB. To achieve a passing grade on the ARE, an applicant must receive a passing grade in each division. Grades from the individual division may not be averaged. Applicants will have unlimited opportunities to retake division which they fail except as set forth in these rules. The Board shall accept passing grades of computer administered divisions of the ARE as satisfying the requirements for said division(s) when such examinations are administered as prescribed by the NCARB.

03. Passing (ARE). To pass the ARE, an applicant must achieve a passing grade on each division. Subject to certain conditions, a passing grade for any division of the ARE shall be valid for five (5) years, after which time the division must be retaken unless all divisions have been passed. The Board may allow a reasonable extension of such period in circumstances where completion of all divisions is prevented by a medical condition, active duty in military service, or other like causes. Approval to take the ARE will terminate unless the applicant has passed or failed a division of the ARE within a period of five (5) years. Any applicant whose approval has so terminated must reapply for approval to take the ARE.

351. -- 374. (RESERVED)

375. ARCHITECTURAL INTERN.
An individual may represent themselves as an architectural intern only under the following conditions:

01. Supervision. Each architectural intern shall be employed by and work under the direct supervision of an Idaho licensed architect.

02. AXP Enrollment. Each architectural intern shall be enrolled in NCARB’s AXP and shall maintain a record in good standing.

03. Record. Each architectural intern shall possess either:

a. A record with the NCARB establishing that AXP training has been started; or

b. A record establishing completion of all AXP training regulations as specified by NCARB.

04. Prohibitions. An architectural intern shall not sign or seal any architectural plan, specification, or other document. An architectural intern shall not engage in the practice of architecture except under the direct supervision of an Idaho licensed architect.

376. -- 399. (RESERVED)

400. FIRM NAME.

01. Firm Names. Firm names incorporating the use of names of unlicensed individuals are considered in violation of Section 54-315, Idaho Code. A firm may continue to utilize the name of a retired or deceased formerly licensed architect so long as their unlicensed status is clearly disclosed.
401. -- 409. (RESERVED)

410. USE OF AN ARCHITECT'S SEAL.
An architect's seal may be placed on all technical submissions prepared personally by the architect or prepared under
the architect's responsible control or as otherwise allowed under the provisions of Section 54-304, Idaho Code. Nothing in this rule shall limit an architect's responsibility to the owner for the work of other licensed professionals to
the extent established by contract between the owner and architect.

411. -- 449. (RESERVED)

450. CONTINUING EDUCATION.
In order to protect the public health and safety and promote the public welfare, the Board has adopted the following
rules for continuing education.

01. Continuing Education Requirement. Each Idaho licensed architect must successfully complete a
minimum of twelve (12) hours of continuing education in architectural health, safety and welfare in the calendar year
prior to license renewal.

a. Each licensee will submit to the Board their annual renewal application form and required fees, and
will certify that they have complied with annual CE requirements for the previous calendar year. Each licensee will
provide to the Board together with their application for reinstatement of an expired license form and required fees,
proof of compliance with annual CE requirements for each year that their license was expired. A license that has been
canceled for failure to renew may be reinstated in accordance with Section 67-2614, Idaho Code.

b. A licensee shall be considered to have satisfied their CE requirements for the first renewal of their
initial license. Licensees who have failed to meet the annual continuing education requirement may petition the
Board for additional time to complete their continuing education requirements.

c. A licensee may carryover a maximum of six (6) hours of continuing education to meet the next
year's continuing education requirement.

d. One (1) continuing education hour shall be equal to one (1) learning unit, as determined by the
American Institute of Architects, or one (1) clock hour of education, as determined by the Board.

02. Architectural Health, Safety and Welfare Requirement. To qualify for continuing education, a
course must involve architectural health, safety and welfare, which generally relates to the structural integrity or
unimpairedness of a building or building sites and be germane to the practice of architecture. Courses may include the
following subject areas:

a. Legal, which includes laws, codes, zoning, regulations, standards, life safety, accessibility, ethics,
insurance to protect owners and public.

b. Building systems, which includes structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, communications,
security, and fire protection.

c. Environmental, which includes energy efficiency, sustainability, natural resources, natural hazards,
hazardous materials, weatherproofing, and insulation.

d. Occupant comfort, which includes air quality, lighting, acoustics, ergonomics.

e. Materials and methods, which includes construction systems, products, finishes, furnishings, and
equipment.

f. Preservation, which includes historical, reuse, and adaptation.

g. Pre-Design, which includes land use analysis, programming, site selection, site and soils analysis,
and surveying.
h. Design, which includes urban planning, master planning, building design, site design, interiors, safety and security measures.

i. Construction documents, which includes drawings, specifications, and delivery methods.

j. Construction contract administration, which includes contracts, bidding, contract negotiations.

03. Approved Credit. Continuing education courses must be in the subject of architectural health, safety and welfare and be presented by:

a. Providers approved by the National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB) schools of architecture; or

b. Providers approved by the National Council of Architectural Registration Board (NCARB); or

c. Providers approved by the American Institute of Architects (AIA); or

d. Providers as otherwise approved by the Board. All requests for approval or pre-approval of continuing education credits must be made to the Board in writing and must be accompanied by a statement that includes the name of the instructor or instructors, his or her qualifications, the date, time and location of the course, the specific agenda for the course, the number of continuing education hours requested, and a statement of how the course is believed to be in the nature of architectural health, safety and welfare.

04. Verification of Attendance. It shall be necessary for each licensee to maintain verification of attendance by securing authorized signatures or other documentation from the course instructors or sponsoring institution substantiating any and all hours attended by the licensee. This verification shall be maintained by the licensee for a period of five (5) years and provided to the Board upon request of the Board or its agent.

05. Failure to Fulfill the Continuing Education Requirements. The license will not be renewed for those licensees who fail to certify or otherwise provide acceptable documentation of meeting the CE requirements. Licensees who make a false attestation regarding compliance with the CE requirements shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Board.

06. Exemptions. A licensed architect shall be deemed to have complied with the CE requirements if the licensee attests in the required affidavit that for not less than ten (10) months of the preceding one (1) year period of licensure, the architect has met one (1) of the following criteria:


b. Is a government employee working as an architect and assigned to duty outside the United States.

c. Special Exemption. The Board shall have authority to make exceptions for reasons of individual hardship, including health (certified by a medical doctor) or other good cause. The architect must provide any information requested by the Board to assist in substantiating hardship cases. This exemption is granted at the sole discretion of the Board.

451. -- 749. (RESERVED)

750. CODE OF ETHICS.

01. Rules of Conduct. The NCARB Rules of Conduct are hereby adopted as the Code of Ethics for all Idaho licensed architects.
Section 67-5223(3), Idaho Code, requires the preparation of an economic impact statement for all proposed rules imposing or increasing fees or charges. This cost/benefit analysis, which must be filed with the proposed rule, must include the reasonably estimated costs to the agency to implement the rule and the reasonably estimated costs to be borne by citizens, or the private sector, or both.

**Department or Agency:** Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses

**Agency Contact:** Rob McQuade  **Phone:** 208-334-3233

**Date:** August 19, 2020

**IDAPA, Chapter and Title Number and Chapter Name:**

24.01.01, Rules of the Board of Architectural Examiners

**Fee Rule Status:**  X  Proposed  __________  Temporary

**Rulemaking Docket Number:** 24-0101-2000F

**STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC IMPACT:** The fees are unchanged from the previous year’s temporary fee rule.

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