

Bill Number: TX81RHB 1484

Date: 04-29-2009

ENROLLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the use of certain professional titles by interior

3 designers.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 1053.002(a), Occupations Code, is

6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) This chapter does not apply to:

8 (1) a person who:

9 (A) does not use the title "interior designer"

10 and does not use the term "interior design" to describe a service

11 the person offers or performs; and

12 (B) is an interior designer licensed or

13 registered in another state or country who:

14 (i) does not open or maintain a business in

15 this state; and

16 (ii) complies with the requirements of

17 Subsection (b); ~~or~~

18 (2) a person who is registered to practice

19 architecture in this state; or

20 (3) a person who does not use a business or

21 professional title that uses the phrase "registered interior

22 designer."

23 SECTION 2. Section 1053.151, Occupations Code, is amended

24 to read as follows:

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1 Sec. 1053.151. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. A person other than
2 an interior designer may not[;]

3 [~~(1)~~] represent that the person is a "registered [~~an~~
4 ~~"] interior designer" by using that title or by using words that
5 imply that the person is a registered interior designer [~~;~~~~or~~]~~

6 [~~(2) represent, by using the term "interior design," a~~
7 ~~service the person offers or performs~~].

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
12 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1484 was passed by the House on April
7, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 1 present, not
voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1484 was passed by the Senate on April
27, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor

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