FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

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SUMMARY

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In accordance with Section 961 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, there is hereby submitted a fiscal and economic impact statement on the rule proposed for adoption, repeal, or amendment. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS SUMMARIZE ATTACHED WORKSHEETS, I THROUGH IV, AND WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE LOUISIANA REGISTER WITH THE PROPOSED AGENCY RULE.

ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule changes are not anticipated to result in any costs or savings to state or local governmental units.

The proposed changes merely clarify and codify the existing and long-standing operations and practices of the State Board of Architectural Examiners. More specifically, the proposed rules clarify and codify the already existing operations and practices of the board concerning:

- 1. The delegation of certain responsibilities to the executive director, who is responsible for the day-to-day operations;
- The duties of the board officers (president and secretary);
- 3. The employment of personnel currently employed;
- 4. The number, attendance, minutes, conduct, and quorum of board meetings;
- 5. The official records maintained by the board;
- 6. The relationship of the board to the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards; and
- 7. The powers and duties of the board.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule changes have no anticipated effect on the revenue collections of state or local governmental units.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

There are no anticipated costs or economic benefits to directly affected persons, small businesses, or nongovernmental groups.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule changes have no anticipated effect on competition or employment.

Signature of Agency Head or Designee

Legislative Fiscal Officer or Designee

Tyson J. Ducote, Executive Director

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The following information is required in order to assist the Legislative Fiscal Office in its review of the fiscal and economic impact statement and to assist the appropriate legislative oversight subcommittee in its deliberation on the proposed rule.

A. Provide a brief summary of the content of the rule (if proposed for adoption, or repeal) or a brief summary of the change in the rule (if proposed for amendment). Attach a copy of the notice of intent and a copy of the rule proposed for initial adoption or repeal (or, in the case of a rule change, copies of both the current and proposed rules with amended portions indicated).

The proposed amendments to LAC 46:I.301, LAC 46:I.303, and LAC 46:I.305 pertaining respectively to the executive director, the officers of the board, and other personnel of the board describe more completely and accurately the duties of such persons as presently exercised. The proposed amendments to LAC 46:I.307, LAC 46:I.309, and LAC 46:I.313 pertaining respectively to board meetings, the minutes of meetings, and the necessary quorum for meetings describe more completely and accurately the meetings, minutes, and quorum of the board as presently exists. The proposed amendment to LAC 46:I.315 pertaining to the official records of the board describes more completely and accurately the existing records maintained by the board. The proposed amendment to LAC 46:I.317 pertaining to the NCARB describes more completely and accurately the relationship between the board and NCARB. Proposed LAC 46:I.319, which is new, sets forth more completely the powers and duties of the board and makes such rule consistent with R.S. 37:144.

B. Summarize the circumstances which require this action. If the Action is required by federal regulation, attach a copy of the applicable regulation.

Act 192 of the 2024 RS mandated that all state agencies that make rules review a sufficient number of rules each year, ensuring that all rules are reviewed within a five-year period. Executive Order JML 25-038 issued April 1, 2025, mandated that by December 31, 2025, state agencies review at least 50% of the rules listed in the order or a minimum of 100 rules, whichever is greater. The list of rules to be reviewed under the executive order included LAC 46:I.301-305 and LAC 46:I.309-315.

Pursuant to Act 192 and EO JML 25-038, the Board of Architectural Examiners has undertaken a review of all of its rules, including the rules in LAC 46:I.Chapter 3. The Board determined that the rules in Chapter 3 need to be updated, modernized, and made to more accurately and completely set forth the current operations and practices of the Board and its executive director, officers, staff, meetings, minutes, quorum, records, relationships, powers, and duties.

C.	Compliance with A	Act 11 of the	1986 First	Extraordinary	Session
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(1)	Will the proposed rule change result in any increase in the expenditure of funds? If so, specify amount and source of funding.			
	No.			
(2)	If the answer to (1) above is yes, has the Legislature specifically appropriated the funds necessary for the associated expenditure increase?			
	(a)	Yes. If yes, attach documentation.		
	(b)	NO. If no, provide justification as to why this rule change should be published at this time		
	Not application	able		

D.	Compliance with Act 98 of the 2025 Regular Session					
	(1) Will the proposed rule change result in either the expenditure of state funds or an economic impact involving costs to regulated entities estimated at \$200,000 or more per year or \$600,000 or more over three years?					
	(a)		YES. (proceed to question D.2 on this page)			
	(b)	x	NO.			
	(2) If the answer to (1) above is yes, was there a fiscal note for the enacted legislation that required this action (attach documentation)?					
	(a) .		YES, and all cost impacts were contemplated in the Fiscal Note.			
	(b)	<u>-</u>	YES, but cost impacts exceed those contemplated in the Fiscal Note.			
	(c) .		NO.			
	Not applicable					

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT WORKSHEET

I. A. COSTS OR SAVINGS TO STATE AGENCIES RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED

1. What is the anticipated increase (decrease) in costs to implement the proposed action?

COSTS	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Operating Expenses	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	
Professional Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Other Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Equipment	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	
Major Repairs & Constr.	\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	
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 Provide a narrative explanation of the costs or savings shown in "A. 1.", including the increase or reduction in workload or additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.) anticipated as a result of the implementation of the proposed action. Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these costs.

The proposed rule changes are not anticipated to result in any costs or savings to state governmental units.

3. Sources of funding for implementing the proposed rule or rule change.

SOURCE	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	
State General Fund	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	
Agency Self-Generated	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	
Dedicated	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	
Other (Specify)	\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	

4. Does your agency currently have sufficient funds to implement the proposed action? If not, how and when do you anticipate obtaining such funds?

Yes. As in the past, existing staff and resources will be uses.

B. COST OR SAVINGS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED.

 Provide an estimate of the anticipated impact of the proposed action on local governmental units, including adjustments in workload and paperwork requirements. Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating this impact.

The proposed rule changes are not anticipated to result in any costs or savings to local governmental units.

Indicate the sources of funding of the local governmental unit, which will be affected by these costs or savings.

None.

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IL EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

A. What increase (decrease) in revenues can be anticipated from the proposed action?

SOURCE	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	
State General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Agency Self-Generated	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	
Dedicated Funds*	\$0	\$ 0	\$0	
Federal Funds	\$ 0	\$0	\$0	
Local Funds	\$ O	\$ 0	\$0	
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	

^{*}Specify the particular fund being impacted.

B. Provide a narrative explanation of each increase or decrease in revenues shown in "A." Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these increases or decreases.

The proposed rule changes have no anticipated effect on the revenue collections of state or local governmental units. The proposed rules merely clarify and codify the existing and long-standing board operations and practices.

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III. COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS

A. What persons, small businesses, or non-governmental groups would be directly affected by the proposed action? For each, provide an estimate and a narrative description of any effect on costs, including workload adjustments and additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.), they may have to incur as a result of the proposed action.

There are no anticipated costs or economic benefits to directly affected persons, small businesses, or non-governmental groups. The proposed rule changes merely clarify and codify the existing and long-standing board operations and practices.

B. Also provide an estimate and a narrative description of any impact on receipts and/or income resulting from this rule or rule change to these groups.

There is no anticipated impact on receipts and/or income resulting from the proposed rule changes.

IV. EFFECTS ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT

Identify and provide estimates of the impact of the proposed action on competition and employment in the public and private sectors. Include a summary of any data, assumptions and methods used in making these estimates.

The proposed rule changes have no anticipated effect on competition or employment. The proposed rules merely clarify and codify existing and long-standing board operations and practices.