

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE
ARCHITECTS AND LICENSED INTERIOR DESIGNERS OF OKLAHOMA**

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

**CHAPTER 10. LICENSURE AND PRACTICE OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE
ARCHITECTS AND LICENSED INTERIOR DESIGNERS**

1. DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF THE RULE:

The Rules of Chapter 10 are set forth for the purpose of interpreting and implementing the Oklahoma State Architectural and Licensed Interior Designers Act, establishing the Board, and conferring upon it responsibility for licensing Architects, Landscape Architects, and Licensed Interior Designers. The Act and Rules also require regulating the practice of architecture and landscape architecture and enforcement of the Act. (OAC 55:10-1-1)

The proposed changes to OAC 55:10 have been made due to in order to remove barriers to licensure for Landscape Architects and to better align with national standards. The changes allow for alternative paths to licensure in cases where an individual does not have a traditional higher education degree by reducing the required experience hours to facilitate a faster path to licensure.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE CLASSES OF PERSONS WHO MOST LIKELY WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED RULE, INCLUDING CLASSES THAT WILL BEAR THE COSTS OF THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed changes to the Rules should not have a great effect on any group of people. The Board is non-appropriated and is funded by license fees. There are no proposed fee increases at this time.

3. DESCRIPTION OF THE CLASSES OF PERSON WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed changes will benefit any person who has not received a higher education degree in landscape architecture. The changes will ensure that such a person has a shorter pathway to become a licensed Landscape Architect.

4. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROBABLE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED RULE UPON AFFECTED CLASSES OF PERSONS, POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, INCLUDING A DISCUSSION OF FEE CHARGES:

The Board is non-appropriated and is funded by license fees. There are no proposed fee increases at this time.

There will be no economic impact to the public.

5. PROBABLE COSTS AND BENEFITS TO THE AGENCY AND TO ANY OTHER AGENCY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROPOSED RULE AND ANY ANTICIPATED EFFECT ON STATE REVENUES INCLUDING ANY PROJECTED NET LOSS OR GAIN IN SUCH REVENUES:

No agency should be impacted by the implementation and enforcement of the proposed Rules changes.

6. A DETERMINATION OF WHETHER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED RULE WILL HAVE AN ECONOMIC IMPACT ON ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OR REQUIRE THEIR COOPERATION IN IMPLEMENTING OR ENFORCING THE RULE:

The proposed revisions to the rules should not have an economic impact on any political subdivisions, nor will they require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the proposed changes to the rules.

7. MEASURES THE BOARD HAS TAKEN TO MINIMIZE COMPLIANCE COSTS AND A DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THERE ARE LESS COSTLY METHODS OR NONREGULATORY METHODS OR LESS INTRUSIVE METHODS FOR ACHIEVING THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULE:

There does not appear to be a less costly or less intrusive method for achieving the purposes of the proposed revisions to the rules, as this agency is self-funded and only derives operating monies from fees and penalties.

8. DETERMINATION OF EFFECT OF PROPOSED RULES ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT:

The proposed revisions to the rules should only increase the Board's ability to protect the public's health, safety, and welfare.

9. DETERMINATION OF ANY DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT IF THE PROPOSED RULES ARE NOT IMPLEMENTED:

There should not be any significant detrimental effect on public health, safety, and environment if the proposed Rule changes are not implemented.

10. DATE RULE IMPACT STATEMENT WAS PREPARED:

The rule impact statement was prepared on November 18, 2025.