



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Final Analysis

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(As Passed by the General Assembly)

**Reps.** Schaffer, Anielski, Ashford, Baker, Barnes, Blessing, Brown, Fedor, Hackett, M. O'Brien, S. O'Brien, Perales, Rogers, Rosenberger

**Sens.** Coley, Yuko, Brown, Eklund, Hottinger, Lehner, Oelslager, Thomas, Uecker

**Effective date:** August 16, 2016

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## ACT SUMMARY

- Revises the authority of the Architects Board and the Landscape Architects Board to adopt continuing education requirements.

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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

Under continuing law, the Architects Board and the Ohio Landscape Architects Board may adopt rules prescribing continuing education requirements for architects and landscape architects.<sup>1</sup> The act modifies this authority by eliminating the specification that the rules must permit (1) continuing education requirements to be satisfied by coursework or activities dealing with technical, ethical, or managerial topics and (2) hours to be earned by completing or teaching college level coursework; attending seminars or conferences; publishing relevant articles or books; receiving patent awards; actively participating in professional societies; or any other activity deemed relevant by the Board. Thus, under the act, neither Board must specify these matters in its continuing education rules.

Law not changed by the act continues to require that the Boards' continuing education rules follow model recommendations. For the Architects Board, the recommendations are those established by the National Council of Architectural

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\* This version updates the effective date.

<sup>1</sup> R.C. 4703.02 and 4703.33. Both Boards have done so: Ohio Administrative Code [4703-2-07](#) and [4703:1-1-06](#).

Registration Boards or a similar successor organization. For the Landscape Architects Board, the recommendations are those established by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards or a similar successor organization.<sup>2</sup>

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
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Reported, H. State Government	10-13-15
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<sup>2</sup> R.C. 4703.02 and 4703.33.

