NOTICE OF INTENT

Office of the Governor
Board of Architectural Examiners

Registration Information, Licenses, and Renewal Procedure

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Architectural Examiners, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 49:950 et seq., and through the authority granted in R.S. 37:144(C), proposes to amend the title to Chapter 11 of its rules, LAC 46:I.1101 pertaining to registration information, LAC 46:I.1105 pertaining to licenses, and LAC 46:I.1301 pertaining to its renewal procedures.

The proposed rules make technical changes and clarifications; amend the title to Chapter 11 of its rules; increase the fees for the initial registration of in-state candidates for licensure; increase the renewal and delinquency fees for in-state and out of state architects; establish a fee for the replacement of a lost or destroyed license, and direct professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and architectural firms to the applicable rules which govern their registration and renewal of their certificates of authority.

Title 46

PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part I. Architects

Chapter 11. Licenses

§1101. Registration Information

A. To obtain information regarding registration to practice architecture in Louisiana, an individual should visit the board website, www.lsbac.com. Effective November 1, 2019, an in-state candidate shall be charged a fee of $90, and an out of state candidate shall be charged a fee of $150 for the issuance of his or her initial license.
B. The rules for registering and obtaining initial certificates of authority for professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and architectural firms are set forth in Chapter 17 infra.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:144.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Board of Architectural Examiners, LR 29:562 (April 2003), amended LR

§1105. Licenses

A. Each holder of a license shall maintain the license in his or her principal office or place of business in this state.

B. A replacement license will be issued to a registrant to replace one lost or destroyed, provided the current annual registration renewal is in effect, the registrant makes proper request and submits an acceptable explanation of the loss or destruction of the original license, and the registrant pays a fee of $30.

C. A registrant retired from practice who has either practiced architecture for 30 years or more or who is 65 years of age or older may request emeritus status. Only a registrant who is fully and completely retired from the practice of architecture may request emeritus status. Any registrant who is presently receiving or who anticipates receiving in the future any salary, income, fees or other compensation (other than retirement income) from an architectural client, architectural firm, architect, design professional, or any other person for the practice of architecture is ineligible for emeritus status. The annual renewal fee for an approved emeritus registrant is $5. Revocation and reinstatement rules apply to an emeritus registrant, just as they do to any other registrant.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:144.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Board of Architectural Examiners, LR 29:563 (April 2003), amended LR

Chapter 13. Administration

§1301. Renewal Procedure

A. A license for an individual architect shall expire and become invalid on December 31 of each year. An individual architect who desires to continue his or her license in force shall be required annually to renew same.

B. It is the responsibility of the individual architect to timely renew his or her license.

C. Prior to December 31 of each year, architects shall renew their licenses in accordance with the instructions set forth on the board website, www.lsbae.com. Effective November 1, 2019, the renewal fees shall be as follows: for an individual architect domiciled in Louisiana - $90; for an individual architect domiciled outside Louisiana - $175. Upon renewal, the architect may download from the board website a copy of his or her renewal license.
D. The failure to renew a license timely shall not deprive the architect of the right to renew thereafter. Effective November 1, 2019, the delinquent fees shall be as follows: an individual architect domiciled in Louisiana who transmits his renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to December 31 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $110. An individual architect domiciled outside Louisiana who transmits his renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to December 31 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $200. The delinquent fee shall be in addition to the renewal fee set forth in §1301.C.

E. The rules for renewing certificates of authority of professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and architectural firms are set forth in Chapter 17 infra.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:144-145.
HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Board of Architectural Examiners, LR 29:563 (April 2003); amended LR 35:2754 (December 2009), LR 36:1780 (August 2010), LR

Family Impact Statement
In accordance with sections 953 and 974 of title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, there is hereby submitted a Family Impact Statement on the Rules proposed for amendment:
1. Will the proposed Rules affect the stability of the family? No.
2. Will the proposed Rules affect the authority and rights of parents regarding the education and supervision of their children? No.
3. Will the proposed Rules affect the functioning of the family? No.
5. Will the proposed Rules affect the behavior and personal responsibility of children? No.
6. Is the family or a local government able to perform the function as contained in the proposed Rules? Yes.

Poverty Impact Statement
The proposed Rules should not have any foreseeable impact on any child, individual, or family as defined by R.S. 49:973. In particular, there should be no known or foreseeable effect on:
1. household income, assets, and financial security;
2. early childhood development and preschool through postsecondary education development;
3. employment and workforce development;
4. taxes and tax credits; or
5. child and dependent care, housing, health care, nutrition, transportation, and utilities assistance.

Small Business Analysis
The impact of the proposed Rules on small business as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act has been considered. The proposed action is not expected to have a significant adverse impact on small businesses. The agency, consistent with health, safety, environmental and economic welfare factors, has considered and, where possible, utilized regulatory methods in the drafting
of the proposed Rules that will accomplish the objectives of applicable statutes while minimizing the adverse impact of the proposed Rules on small businesses.

Provider Impact Statement

The proposed Rules do not have any known or foreseeable impact on providers as defined in HCR 170 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session. In particular, there should be no known or foreseeable effect on:
1. the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service;
2. the total direct and indirect effect on the cost to the provider to provide the same level of service; or
3. the overall effect on the ability of the provider to provide the same level of service.

Public Comments
Interested persons may submit written comments to Katherine E. Hillegas by mail or by hand-delivery to 9625 Fenway Avenue, Suite B, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. Public comments must be dated and include the original signature of the person submitting the comment. All comments must be received by the close of business on February 11, 2019.

Katherine E. Hillegas
Executive Director
January 8, 2019

VIA EMAIL ONLY (apa.s-com@legis.la.gov)

Senator Daniel "Danny" Martiny
Chairman, Senate Committee for Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs
P.O. Box 94183
Baton Rouge, LA 70804


Dear Chairman Martiny:


The proposed rule amendments revise the LSBAE fee schedule for architects and architectural candidates by increasing certain initial, renewal, and delinquency fees for in-state and out-of-state architects and architectural candidates; establish a fee for the issuance of a replacement license; clarify that the LSBAE issues licenses, not certificates, to individual architects, and clarify that other rules are applicable to the registration, renewals of certificates of authority, and any delinquent renewals of professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and architectural firms. More specifically:

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Letter to Senator Daniel Martiny  
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2. Notice of Intent;

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With kind regards, we remain

Sincerely yours,

Katherine E. Hillegas  
Executive Director

Enclosures (As stated)

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VIA EMAIL ONLY (apa.h-com@legis.la.gov)

Representative Thomas G. Carmody, Jr.
Chairman, House Commerce Committee
State Capitol
900 N. Third Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802


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FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

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Office: Board of Architectural Examiners

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Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Rule Titles: LAC 46:1.1101. Registration Information,
LAC 46:1.1105. Certificates, and
LAC 46:1.1301. Renewal Procedure

SUMMARY
(Use complete sentences)

In accordance with Section 953 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 summary statements, based on the attached worksheets, will be published in the Louisiana Register with the proposed agency rule.

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

The proposed rule changes fall within the current regulatory scope of the LSBAE and are not anticipated to carry any additional costs or savings. The proposed rule changes revise the Louisiana State Board of Architectural Examiners (LSBAE) fee schedule for architects and architectural candidates by increasing certain initial, renewal, and delinquency fees for in-state and out-of-state architects and in-state architectural candidates and establish a fee for the issuance of a replacement license. The proposed rule changes clarify that the LSBAE issues licenses, not certificates, to individual architects, and clarify that other rules are applicable to the registration, renewals of certificates of authority, and any delinquent renewals of professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and architectural firms.

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

The LSBAE will collect additional revenues from an increase in the initial license registration fee for in-state architectural candidates, increases in renewal and delinquent fees charged to in-state and out-of-state architects, and the establishment of a new fee for the issuance of a replacement license. The LSBAE estimates that its revenue collections will increase by an estimated $67,800 annually as a result of the proposed rule changes.

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

The proposed rule changes will result in increased costs to in-state architectural candidates, in-state architects, and out-of-state architects. The proposed rule changes increase the initial license registration fee for an in-state architectural candidate by $15 (from $75 to $90), the license renewal fee for an in-state architect by $15 (from $75 to $90), the license renewal fee for an out-of-state architect by $25 (from $150 to $175), the delinquent fee for an in-state architect will increase by $5 (from $105 to $110) and for an out-of-state architect by $20 (from $180 to $200), and a fee of $30 will be established for the issuance of a replacement license.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

While the proposed rule changes will impact fee schedules for in-state and out-of-state architects and in-state architectural candidates, the LSBAE does not anticipate the ability of such architects or architectural candidates to compete for projects or to provide architectural services in the public or private sectors will be impacted.
Katherine E. Hillegas, Executive Director
Typed Name and Title of Agency Head or Designee

Date of Signature: 1/4/19

Date of Signature
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 deliberations on the proposed rule.

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).

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

The Board is implementing a new database system to track all required qualification information for candidates, architects and firms. This new system replaces one that was first implemented in 2007 and is severely outdated and lacking in the technological protocols required to ensure security of our registrants’ data. In addition, the Board has recently taken steps to increase its enforcement capacity by hiring staff with a strong enforcement background. The Board has also developed and implemented a business continuity plan which enables staff to continue most daily operations in the event of the Board office being damaged in a disaster. Steps have also been taken to ensure security of our registrants’ information which is available for viewing by the public on our website. Continued maintenance and development of these new systems and processes have resulted in an increase to the Board’s expenses. In 2017, the Board implemented an Architecture and Education Research Fund which is utilized to support the promotion of licensure within the accredited schools of architecture in the state. It should be noted that these fees have not been increased since 2003.

No federal regulation requires adoption of the proposed rule amendments.

Compliance with Act 11 of the 1986 First Extraordinary Session
(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.

N/A.
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?

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PROPOSITIONS(#)

2. 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.

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

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

The Agency currently has sufficient funds to implement the proposed action.
B. COST OR SAVINGS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED.

1. 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.

   No additional workload or paperwork will be necessary to process initial, renewal, or delinquency registrations or renewals for in-state or out-of-state architects; to register architectural candidates, or to issue replacement licenses. There will be no applicable impact on costs or savings to local governmental units as a result of the proposed rule changes.

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

   None.
II. EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

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

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*Specify the particular fund being impacted.

Revenues received from in-state and out-of-state architects and architectural candidates will cause an increase in overall revenue generated by the Board.

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.

Increases in the fees charged to in-state and out-of-state architects and architectural candidates will result in an overall increase to Board revenue. The calculations used to determine the fiscal impact were based on an assumption that the number of registrants in each category will remain constant and not be impacted by these proposed fee changes.

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

A. What persons 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.

The proposed rule amendments will result in a small economic cost to in-state architectural candidates, and in-state and out-of-state architects. Under the proposed rule amendments, the initial license registration fee for an in-state architectural candidate will increase by $15 (from $75 to $90); the license renewal fees for an in-state architect will increase by $15 (from $75 to $90) and for an out-of-state architect by $25 (from $150 to $175); the delinquent fee for an in-state architect will increase by $5 (from $105 to $110) and for an out-of-state architect by $20 (from $180 to $200), and a fee of $30 will be established for the issuance of a replacement license.

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.

The proposed rule amendments will result in an increase of revenue generated by the Board in the amount of approximately $67,800 per year.

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.

Although the proposed rule amendments will impact the amount of fees that in-state and out-of-state architects and in-state architectural candidates pay to the LSBAE, such rules will not impact the ability of such architects or architectural candidates to compete for projects or to provide architectural services in the public or private sectors. Accordingly, the LSBAE anticipates that the proposed rule changes will have no impact upon competition or employment.
Existing Rules §§1101, 1105, and 1301

1101. Registration Information

A. To obtain information regarding registration to practice architecture in Louisiana an individual, a corporation which satisfies the requirements of the Professional Architectural Corporations Law, an architectural-engineering corporation which satisfies the requirements of the Architectural-Engineering Corporation Law, and a limited liability company which satisfies the requirements of the Limited Liability Company Law shall write the board indicating whether the applicant seeks to be registered as an architect, a professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, or a limited liability company. The applicant will then receive instructions on the procedure to follow. Upon passing all divisions of the examination, an in-state candidate shall be charged a fee of $75 and an out of state candidate shall be charged a fee of $150 for the issuance of his or her initial license.

§1105. Certificates

A. Upon granting registration and issuance of a license to practice architecture, a copy of the licensing law and the rules of the board shall be forwarded to the registrant.

B. Only individuals, professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and limited liability companies who have met the statutory registration requirements through established board rules shall receive certificates of registration.

C. Each holder of a certificate shall maintain the certificate in his principal office or place of business in this state.

D. A replacement certificate will be issued to a registrant to replace one lost or destroyed, provided the current annual registration renewal is in effect, the registrant makes proper request and submits an acceptable explanation of the loss or destruction of the original certificate, and the registrant pays a fee to be set by the board.

E. A registrant retired from practice who has either practiced architecture for 30 years or more or who is 65 years of age or older may request emeritus status. Only a registrant who is fully and completely retired from the practice of architecture may request emeritus status. Any registrant who is presently receiving or who anticipates receiving in the future any salary, income, fees or other compensation (other than retirement income) from an architectural client, architectural firm, architect, design professional, or any other person for the practice of architecture is ineligible for emeritus status. The annual renewal fee for an approved emeritus registrant is $5. Revocation and reinstatement rules apply to an emeritus registrant, just as they do to any other registrant.
§1301. Renewal Procedure

A. A license for individual architects shall expire and become invalid on December 31 of each year. Licenses for professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and limited liability companies shall expire and become invalid on June 30 of each year. An individual architect, professional architectural corporation, architectural-engineering corporation, and limited liability company who desires to continue his or its license in force shall be required annually to renew same.

B. It is the responsibility of the individual architect, professional architectural corporation, architectural-engineering corporation, and limited liability company to timely renew their licenses.

C. Prior to December 31 of each year, architects shall renew their licenses online in accordance with the instructions set forth on the board website, www.lsbae.com. The license renewal fee for an individual architect domiciled in Louisiana shall be $75; the license renewal fee for an individual architect domiciled outside Louisiana shall be $150. Upon renewal, the architect may download from the board website a copy of his or her renewal license.

D. Prior to June 1 of each year the board shall mail to all professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and limited liability companies currently licensed a renewal form. A professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, and a limited liability company which desires to continue its license in force shall complete said form and return same with the renewal fee prior to June 30. The fee shall be $50. Upon payment of the renewal fee, the executive director shall issue a renewal license.

E. The failure to renew a license timely shall not deprive the architect of the right to renew thereafter. An individual architect domiciled in Louisiana who transmits his renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to December 31 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $105. An individual architect domiciled outside Louisiana who transmits his renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to December 31 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $180. The delinquent fee shall be in addition to the renewal fee set forth in §1301.C.

F. The failure to renew its license in proper time shall not deprive a professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, or a limited liability company of the right to renew thereafter. A professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, or a limited liability company who transmits its renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to June 30 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $50. This delinquent fee shall be in addition to the renewal fee set forth in §1301.D.
§1101. Registration Information

A. To obtain information regarding registration to practice architecture in Louisiana, an individual, a corporation which satisfies the requirements of the Professional Architectural Corporations Law, an architectural engineering corporation which satisfies the requirements of the Architectural-Engineering Corporation Law, and a limited liability company which satisfies the requirements of the Limited Liability Company Law shall write the board should visit the board website, www.lsbae.com, indicating whether the applicant seeks to be registered as an architect, a professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, or a limited liability company. The applicant will then receive instructions on the procedure to follow. Upon passing all divisions of the examination, an Effective November 1, 2019, an in-state candidate shall be charged a fee of $7590 and an out of state candidate shall be charged a fee of $150 for the issuance of his or her initial license.

B. The rules for registering and obtaining certificates of authority for professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and architectural firms are set forth in Chapter 17 infra.

§1105. Certificates/Licenses

A. Upon granting registration and issuance of a license to practice architecture, a copy of the licensing law and the rules of the board shall be forwarded to the registrant.

B. Only individuals, professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and limited liability companies who have met the statutory registration requirements through established board rules shall receive certificates of registration.

C. Each holder of a certificate/license shall maintain the certificate/license in his or her principal office or place of business in this state.

D. A replacement certificate/license will be issued to a registrant to replace one lost or destroyed, provided the current annual registration renewal is in effect, the registrant makes proper request and submits an acceptable explanation of the loss or destruction of the original certificate/license, and the registrant pays a fee of $30, to be set by the board.

E. A registrant retired from practice who has either practiced architecture for 30 years or more or who is 65 years of age or older may request emeritus status. Only a registrant who is fully and completely retired from the practice of architecture may request emeritus status. Any registrant who is presently receiving or who anticipates receiving in the future any salary, income, fees or other compensation (other than retirement income) from an architectural client, architectural firm, architect, design professional, or any other person for the practice of architecture is ineligible for emeritus status. The annual renewal fee for an approved emeritus registrant is $5. Revocation and reinstatement rules apply to an emeritus registrant, just as they do to any other registrant.
§1301. Renewal Procedure

A. A license for an individual architect shall expire and become invalid on December 31 of each year. Licenses for professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and limited liability companies shall expire and become invalid on June 30 of each year. An individual architect, professional architectural corporation, architectural-engineering corporation, and limited liability company who desires to continue his or her license in force shall be required annually to renew same.

B. It is the responsibility of the individual architect, professional architectural corporation, architectural-engineering corporation, and limited liability company to timely renew their licenses.

C. Prior to December 31 of each year, architects shall renew their licenses online in accordance with the instructions set forth on the board website, www.lsbae.com. Effective November 1, 2019, the license renewal fees shall be as follows: for an individual architect domiciled in Louisiana shall be $7590; the license renewal fee for an individual architect domiciled outside Louisiana shall be $150175. Upon renewal, the architect may download from the board website a copy of his or her renewal license.

D. Prior to June 1 of each year, the board shall mail to all professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and limited liability companies currently licensed a renewal form. A professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, and a limited liability company which desires to continue its license in force shall complete said form and return same with the renewal fee prior to June 30. The fee shall be $50. Upon payment of the renewal fee, the executive director shall issue a renewal license.

E. The failure to renew a license timely shall not deprive the architect of the right to renew thereafter. Effective November 1, 2019, the delinquent fees shall be as follows: An individual architect domiciled in Louisiana who transmits his renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to December 31 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $105110. An individual architect domiciled outside Louisiana who transmits his renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to December 31 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $180200. The delinquent fee shall be in addition to the renewal fee set forth in §1301.C.

F. The failure to renew its license in proper time shall not deprive a professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, or a limited liability company of the right to renew thereafter. A professional architectural corporation, an architectural-engineering corporation, or a limited liability company who transmits its renewal form and fee to the board subsequent to June 30 in the year when such renewal fee first became due shall be required to pay a delinquent fee of $50. This delinquent fee shall be in addition to the renewal fee set forth in §1301.D. The rules for renewing the certificates of authority of professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and architectural firms are set forth in Chapter 17 infra.