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Via email (Reg.Submission@la.gov)

Attn: Angela Meche
Office of the State Register

Re: LAC 46:I.Chapter 5.Election of Nominees to Fill Vacancy

Dear Ms. Meche:

On behalf of the Louisiana State Board of Architectural Examiners, I hereby submit an Insertion Order, a pdf file and a word file containing the Notice of Intent, and a pdf file and word file of the summary page of the Fiscal and Economic Impact Statement approved by the Legislative Fiscal Office, all of which contain original signatures for the amendment of the Rules referenced above.

In order to comply with Executive Order JML 25-38 and R.S. 49:964(D) and align the rules for the election of nominees seeking appointment to the board with Act 484 of 2026, the Board of Architectural Examiners (Board) proposes to amend Sections 501, 503, 505, 507, 509, 511, 513, and 515 of Part I, Chapter 5 (Election of Nominees to Fill Vacancy), Title 46 (Professional and Occupational Standards: Architects) of the Louisiana Administrative Code.

Existing rules provide for the by-mail and manual process of submitting nominations, distribution of ballots, voting, and notifications. The proposed rule changes will allow the nomination process, distribution of ballots, voting, tabulation of voting, and notifications to be done electronically.

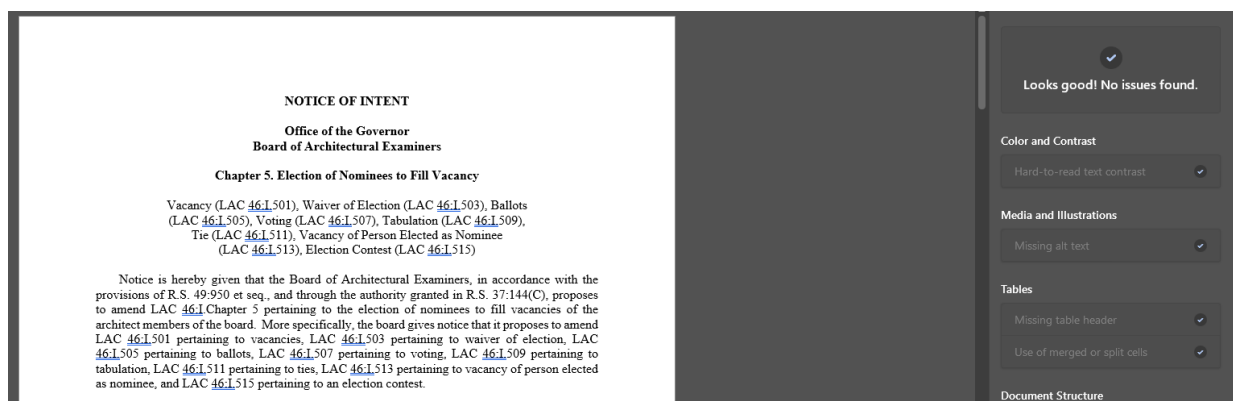
The proposed rule changes:

- Amend the title of Chapter 5.
- Increase from three to five the number of nominees of eligible architects that can be submitted to the governor.
- Allow for email transmissions to submit nominations, provide notice of vacancies, distribute and return ballots, and provide notice of the election results to the candidates.
- Permit online voting.
- Provide for the electronic tabulation of ballots.
- Allow the president to extend the period of voting.
- Update when an election can be waived.

No fee increases or decreases are associated with the proposed rule amendments.

Copies of this email are being sent to the Chairman of the Senate Commerce, Consumer Protection & International Affairs Committee, the President of the Senate, the Chairman of the House Commerce Committee, and the Speaker of the House, all with copies of the attached Notice of Intent, the existing rule, and a strikethrough/underscored version showing the proposed changes.

As set forth in the enclosed Insertion Order, I respectfully request that this Notice of Intent be published in the July 20, 2026 issue of the *Louisiana Register*. Please find below a screenshot of the Microsoft Accessibility scan output for the FINAL NOI Word document.



If you have any questions or need any further information, please advise.

With kind regards,

Tyson J. Ducote
Executive Director

Enclosures (as stated)

cc: Senator Beth Mizell, Chair, Senate Committee for Commerce, Consumer Protection & International Affairs (w/ enclosures)

(apa.s-com@legis.la.gov)

Senator J. Cameron Henry, Jr., Senate President (w/enclosures) (apa.senatepresident@legis.la.gov)

Representative Daryl Andrew Deshotel, Chair, House Commerce Committee (w/ enclosures) (apa.h-com@legis.la.gov)

Representative Phillip R. DeVillier, Speaker of the House (w/ enclosures) (apa.housespeaker@legis.la.gov)

Mr. Paul H. Spaht (with enclosures) (paul@spahtlaw.com)

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