

CHAPTER ADVOCACY UPDATE 6.6.23

Re: Update on Continuing Education Requirements and Registration Renewals

Fellow ILASLA Members and Advocates.

Continuing Education Requirement Update

In May 2023 at the end of the Spring Legislative Session <u>HB 2395</u>, an omnibus bill that included the Continuing Education requirement for landscape architects, passed through the Illinois House of Representatives and the Senate. The bill will now go to the Governor for signature into law. The governor has 90 days to sign the bill or it will be returned to the House (this puts the deadline for his signature in late August). Once signed, the legislation will go through the rulemaking process and once that process is complete our Continuing Education requirement will be successfully reinstated. We will provide another update upon the signature of the Governor and then again upon completion of the rulemaking process.

Both ILASLA and ASLA have sent a letter of support for the bill to the governor's office.

Registration Renewal

If you are registered, you must renew your registration, or it will expire on 8/31/2023. You should have recently received an email from the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) regarding the process for renewal. No documentation of Continuing Education credits is required for this immediate upcoming renewal. It will, however, go into effect in the 2025 renewal period.

To renew, visit the Online Renewal website and follow the instructions listed: https://ilesonline.idfpr.illinois.gov/DFPR.

If you have any questions or concerns or want to support and become involved with related advocacy efforts, please contact one of us below.

Sincerely,

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