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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

### 101 **CONCERNING SIMPLIFICATION OF THE REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS**

102 FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTS.

### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov.</u>)

The practice act for professional architects directs the department of regulatory agencies to adopt rules establishing requirements for continuing education and also requiring an architect to demonstrate retention of the material presented in the continuing education program or course. The requirement to demonstrate program or course material retention is not typical among licensed professionals in Colorado and is







not common practice in other states.

The bill removes the material retention requirement, allowing an architect to renew a license upon demonstrating compliance with the continuing education requirement alone, as do all other licensed professionals with continuing education requirements in Colorado.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:* 

- 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 12-120-416 3 as follows:
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**12-120-416.** Continuing education - rules. The board shall adopt 5 rules establishing requirements for continuing education that an architect 6 shall complete in order to renew a license to practice architecture in 7 Colorado. The rules shall require the architect to participate in a process 8 or procedure that demonstrates whether the architect retained the material 9 presented in the continuing education program or course.

10 **SECTION 2.** Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 11 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 12 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except 13 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V 14 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this 15 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take 16 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 17 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 18 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.