

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

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Return Address:	<u>9625 Fenway Avenue, Suite B</u>	Rule Title:	<u>LAC 46:I.Chapter 5. Election of Nominees to Fill Vacancy</u>
	<u>Baton Rouge, LA 70809</u>		
		Date Rule Takes Effect:	<u>Upon Promulgation</u>

SUMMARY
(Use complete sentences)

In accordance with Section 961 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 STATEMENTS SUMMARIZE ATTACHED WORKSHEETS, I THROUGH IV AND 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 are anticipated to result in savings of approximately \$1,368 per year for the Board of Architectural Examiners.

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. In addition, the proposed rule changes update when an election can be waived. Under existing rules, no election shall be held in a district if three or fewer eligible architects seek nomination. Under the proposed rule changes, if letters from more than five eligible architects desiring appointment to the board are received, the board is mandated by R.S. 37:142(B)(1) to conduct an election.

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

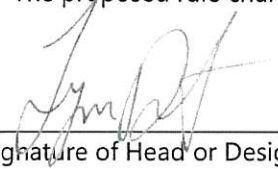
The proposed rule changes have no anticipated effect on the revenue collections of state or local governmental units. The board does not collect fees from nominees seeking appointment to the board.

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

The proposed rule changes align the election rules for nominees seeking appointment to the board with Act 484 of 2026. In addition, the changes simplify and modernize the procedures for such elections by allowing the nomination process, distribution of ballots, voting, tabulation of voting, and notifications to be done electronically. Although the election process for nominees will become somewhat simpler, the board does not anticipate any increase or decrease in costs or economic benefits to directly affected persons, small businesses, or non-governmental groups that can be measured or calculated.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule changes are not anticipated to have any impact on competition or employment.



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