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AN ACT relating to professions and occupations; amending the qualifications of persons applying to become a licensed architect or landscape architect; amending the requirement that architects be notified of pending license expirations; authorizing the board of architecture to use annual renewal fees to offer continuing education programs as specified; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 33-4-105(a), (b)(iii), 33-4-107 and 33-4-109 are amended to read:

33-4-105. Application for licensure; qualifications.

(a) Any person wishing to practice architecture or landscape architecture in this state who is not a licensed architect or landscape architect shall make application for examination—licensure as prescribed by the board.

(b) Each applicant shall:

(iii) Hold Provide documentation of successful completion of either a professional degree in architecture or landscape architecture from an accredited school of landscape architecture architecture or with practical experience and examination, or an education alternative with practical experience and examination in accordance with standards set forth by the national council the architectural registration boards or council landscape architectural registration boards, as the board deems appropriate.

33-4-107. License fee and renewal fee set by board; notice of expiration; failure to renew.

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Persons practicing architecture or landscape architecture within this state shall pay initial and renewal license fees as set by the board pursuant to W.S. 33-1-201. Initial licenses shall expire on the thirty-first day of December of the year following the date of issuance. A renewal license shall be issued by the board upon application and payment of the renewal fee, and shall be for a two (2) year period. Application for renewal shall be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board of compliance with this act and participation in continuing education activities as established by rules and regulations of the board, provided that requirements for renewal shall be no more stringent than the requirements recommended by the national council of architectural registration boards or the council of landscape architectural registration boards. The board may waive the continuing education requirement for the first The secretary of the board shall renewal of a license. notify each registrant by mail at his last known address at least two (2) months prior to the date of the expiration of his license. Failure of a licensee to secure renewal of his license prior to the date of its expiration shall forfeit his license to practice architecture within the state, provided, however, that the secretary of the board shall again notify the registrant by certified mail at his last known address at least two (2) weeks before the expiration date. Any licensee on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, or who shall establish his residence elsewhere, upon returning to the state may apply for a renewal if the license was not revoked for any cause.

33-4-109. Disposition of money collected; compensation for members of board.

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- (a) All money shall be received and deposited to a separate account and payments made according to regulations established by the department of administration and information. The members of the board shall receive per diem and mileage allowance as provided in W.S. 33-1-302(a)(vii), for each official board meeting. The total expense for every purpose incurred by the board shall not exceed the total of revenue collected.
- (b) The board may use up to one-half (1/2) of its annual renewal fees for the purpose of contracting with institutions of higher education, professional organizations or qualified persons to provide educational programs that meet the board's continuing education requirements promulgated under W.S. 33-4-107. The board may also treat funds set aside for the purpose of continuing education as state funds for the purpose of accepting any funds made available under federal law on a matching basis to implement programs of continuing education.

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Section 2.	This	act	is	effective	July	1,	2023.
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