

AN ACT

relating to the procurement of interior design services by a governmental entity.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 2254.002(2), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(2) "Professional services" means services:

(A) within the scope of the practice, as defined by state law, of:

- (i) accounting;
- (ii) architecture;
- (iii) landscape architecture;
- (iv) land surveying;
- (v) medicine;
- (vi) optometry;
- (vii) professional engineering;
- (viii) real estate appraising; or
- (ix) professional nursing; ~~or~~

(B) provided in connection with the professional employment or practice of a person who is licensed or registered as:

- (i) a certified public accountant;
- (ii) an architect;
- (iii) a landscape architect;
- (iv) a land surveyor;

- 1 (v) a physician, including a surgeon;
- 2 (vi) an optometrist;
- 3 (vii) a professional engineer;
- 4 (viii) a state certified or state licensed
- 5 real estate appraiser; or
- 6 (ix) a registered nurse; or
- 7 (C) provided by a person lawfully engaged in
- 8 interior design, regardless of whether the person is registered as
- 9 an interior designer under Chapter 1053, Occupations Code.

10 SECTION 2. Section 2254.002(2), Government Code, as amended  
11 by this Act, applies only to a contract entered into on or after  
12 October 1, 2019.

13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2868 was passed by the House on April 17, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 135, Nays 7, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2868 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor