

The second sentence of former Art. 56, § 466(b), which enabled the Board to lease and maintain office space unless the State does, is deleted as obsolete. All office space for the Board is provided through the Department.

The Business Occupations Article Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that the addition of 2 consumer members to the Board in 1974 substantially changed the effect of the quorum requirement in subsection (a) of this section. As originally formed, the Board consisted of 5 members, and the quorum requirement of 3 members constituted a simple majority of the membership. Ch. 584, Acts of 1974, added 1 consumer member to the Board while, in the same year, the Governor added a second consumer member under the provisions now codified as Art. 41, § 8-102(c) of the Code. However, a corresponding change was not made to the quorum provision. Since it does not seem that this omission was deliberate, the General Assembly may wish to consider reinstating the "simple majority" standard by providing that a majority of the authorized membership of the Board is a quorum.

Defined term: "Board" § 3-101

3-205. CODE OF ETHICS.

WITH THE ADVICE OF THE ESTABLISHED ARCHITECTURE SOCIETIES, THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT, BY REGULATION, A CODE OF ETHICS FOR PRACTICING ARCHITECTURE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the second sentence of former Art. 56, § 466(c).

The phrase "by regulation" is substituted for the former, incomplete reference to "procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedure Act Governing the Promulgation of Rules and Regulations", which failed to reflect other generally applicable provisions for adoption of regulations. See Title 10, Subtitle 1 of the State Government Article.

Defined terms: "Board" § 3-101
"Practice architecture" § 3-101

3-206. INVESTIGATIVE AND ENFORCEMENT POWERS.

(A) INVESTIGATIVE POWER AND STAFF.

TO ENFORCE THIS TITLE, THE BOARD: