

**CALIFORNIA ARCHITECTS BOARD
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**

Hearing Date: August 6, 2012

Subject Matter of Proposed Regulation: Examination Transition Plan

Section Affected: California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Division 26, Section 2614

UPDATED INFORMATION

The Initial Statement of Reasons is included in this rulemaking file. The LATC issued a 15-day notice of modified text to change the implementation date of the new four-section Landscape Architect Registration Examination. No comments were received. The information contained therein is complete and no other changes have been made.

LOCAL MANDATE

A mandate is not imposed on local agencies or school districts.

SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT

This regulation will not have a significant adverse economic impact on small businesses.

ANTICIPATED BENEFITS OF REGULATORY PROPOSAL

The Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) is transitioning to a new examination format in 2012. Currently, there is no transition plan in place to give examination credit to candidates who passed sections of the previously administered five-section LARE to the current four-section LARE format.

This proposal would amend section 2614 by adding subsections (f)(1) – (4), thus establishing a transition plan for those candidates who passed sections of previously administered landscape architect licensing examinations into the current LARE. The existing regulation sets forth the transition plan for previous sections of the licensing examination to the sections of the five-section LARE.

CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES

No reasonable alternative which was considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the California Architects Board or Landscape Architects Technical Committee would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which it was proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted

regulation or would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

OBJECTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS/RESPONSES

There were no objections or recommendations regarding the proposed action during the 45-day comment period.