

It was a busy week at the Capitol this week! Legislators left in time to get home to families for the Easter weekend, but many of our bills made progress. Check out the below list for details on changes this week, and we at AIA Louisiana, hope you have a wonderful holiday weekend!

What we are watching right now:

HB 170, Riser

Provides relative to construction contracts cleaning up two areas of law that might conflict to ensure Louisiana projects are governed by Louisiana law.

STATUS: Passed out of committee; headed to the House Floor

Support

HB 194, Riser

Provides relative to preemptive periods/statute of repose cleaning up two areas of law to bring clarity providing an automatic timeclock even if certificate is not filed by the owner.

STATUS: Passed out of committee; headed to the House Floor

Support

HB 338, Carver

Re-creates entities transferred to or placed within the office of the governor

STATUS: Passed the House; headed to the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee

Support

HB 387, Gadberry

Provides for the incidental practice of engineering.

STATUS: Deferred 3/23; still pending in House Committee on Commerce

Oppose

HB 755, Turner

Establishes indefinite delivery and indefinite quantity professional services contracting for design services for certain projects

STATUS: Amendment added limiting any single task order/project for renovations to less than \$13 million; passed committee and headed to House Floor

Support

HB 914, Firment

Expands the certified appraiser qualifications to include building consultants

STATUS: Pending in House Committee on Insurance

Oppose unless Amended

HB 928, Fontenot

Provides relative to commercial building codes

STATUS: Pending in House Committee on Commerce

Monitor; Neutral

SB 291, Abraham

Provides relative to the practice of architecture

STATUS: Pending in Senate Committee on Commerce

Support

SB 315, Reese

Increases budget cost minimums for professional services contract exemptions

STATUS: Amendment added, "Any agency that enters into more than one professional services contract in any given fiscal year shall ensure that not less than fifty percent of the total number of such contracts are awarded to separate, distinct, and unaffiliated professional services firms if such contracts are exempt pursuant to the provisions of this Section."

Neutral

SCR2, Meyers

HOSPITALS: Amends rules relative to certain licensure requirements of hospitals requiring use of updated editions.

STATUS: Passed Senate; Pending House Health and Welfare

Support

HB 338, Carver

Re-creates entities transferred to or placed within the office of the governor

STATUS: Passed the House Floor; headed to the Senate

Support

SAVE THE DATES:

April

TBA Life of an Architect Series

May

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20 Espresso Yourself (Assoc.& EP programming)

June

1 Session Closes

10-13 AIA26 National Conference (San Diego)

TBA Life of an Architect Series

July

TBA Life of an Architect Series

August

TBA Life of an Architect Series

19 Espresso Yourself (Assoc.& EP programming)

October

1-2 State Conference (Gulf Shores)

November

1-3 Women's Leadership Summit (Kansas City)

17-19 AIA LA Governance Days

26-27 AIA LA Office Closed for Thanksgiving

December

24-25 AIA LA Office Closed

31-2 AIA LA Office Closed

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