

TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES
DIVISION 3: BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS

§ 3101. General Provisions.

In order to safeguard life, health, and property, and to promote the public welfare, the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture, and real property appraisal in the Commonwealth it is hereby declared to be subject to regulation in the public interest. It shall be unlawful for any person or firm to practice, or offer to practice, architecture, engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture, or real property appraisal in the Commonwealth as defined in the provisions of this Act, or to use in connection with his/her or their name or otherwise assume, or advertise any title or description intending to convey the impression that he/she or they are an architect, engineer, land surveyor, landscape architect, or real property appraiser under the provisions of this Act unless such person or firm has a valid license or certificate issued by the Board of Professional Licensing or is exempted under the provisions of this Act. The practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture, or real property appraisal shall be deemed a privilege granted by the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands through the Board of Professional Licensing, based on the qualifications of the individual or firm as evidenced by his/her or their license or certificate, which shall not be transferable.

Source: PL 1-8, ch. 5, § 1, modified; amended by PL 11-99, § 3 (§ 3101); repealed and reenacted by PL 14-95, § 3 (3101).

Commission Comment: PL 14-95 took effect on October 31, 2005 and contained the following short title and findings, in addition to severability and savings clause provisions and other enactments:

Section 1. Short Title. This Act may be cited as the “Board of Professional Licensing Amendments Act of 2005.”

Section 2. Findings. The Legislature finds that the Board of Professional Licensing has examined the licensing requirements set forth in 4 CMC § 3101 et seq. and in order to further safeguard the life, health, and property of the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, recommends the following amendments[.]