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**By: Senator Hollinger**

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Assigned to: Economic and Environmental Affairs

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Business Occupations - Certified Interior Designers - Continuing Education**  
3 **Requirements for Renewal of Certificate**

4 FOR the purpose of altering certain continuing education requirements for the renewal  
5 of the certificate of a certified interior designer; providing certain continuing  
6 education requirements for the renewal of the certificate of a certified interior  
7 designer that received the certificate during the second year of a certificate term;  
8 and generally relating to the continuing education requirements for the renewal of  
9 the certificates of certified interior designers.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article - Business Occupations and Professions  
12 Section 8-308  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

18 8-308.

19 (a) (1) To qualify for renewal of a certificate under this subtitle, a certificate  
20 holder shall earn during each 2-year certificate term at least [2] ONE continuing  
21 education [units] UNIT in TWO OR MORE courses that the Board approves.

22 (2) A continuing education unit consists of 10 hours of study.

23 (b) [Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, if] IF a certificate is granted  
24 to a certificate holder during the second year of a certificate term, the certificate holder  
25 may renew the certificate for the next full term [without complying with the continuing  
26 education requirements of the previous term as outlined in this section] BY EARNING AT  
27 LEAST ONE-HALF OF A CONTINUING EDUCATION UNIT IN ONE OR MORE COURSES  
28 THAT THE BOARD APPROVES.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
30 October 1, 1997.

