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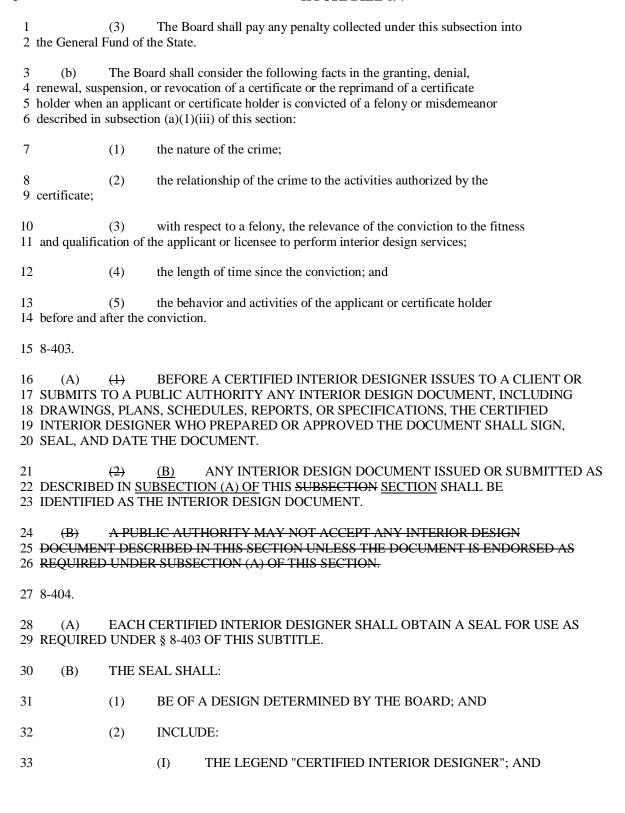
By: Delegate Krysiak Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2002 Assigned to: Economic Matters Committee Report: Favorable with amendments	
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	CHAPTER
1 A	N ACT concerning
2	Business Occupations and Professions - Certified Interior Designers - Seal
3 F ⁰ 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	OR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Certified Interior Designers to deny a certificate to any applicant, reprimand any certificate holder, or suspend or revoke a certificate if the applicant or certificate holder signs or seals certain documents under certain circumstances; requiring certified interior designers to endorse certain interior design documents with a seal, signature, and the date; prohibiting a public authority from accepting any interior design documents that are not endorsed with a seal, signature, and the date; requiring certified interior designers to obtain a seal; requiring the State Board to design the seal; requiring the seal to include certain information; and generally relating to a seal for certified interior designers.
13 E 14 15 16 17	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article - Business Occupations and Professions Section 8-310 Annotated Code of Maryland (2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)
18 E 19 20 21 22	Article - Business Occupations and Professions Section 8-403 and 8-404 Annotated Code of Maryland (2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

24 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

1 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions** 2 8-310. 3 (a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 8-312 of this subtitle, the Board (1) 4 may deny a certificate to any applicant, reprimand any certificate holder, or suspend 5 or revoke a certificate if the applicant or certificate holder: fraudulently or deceptively obtains or renews or attempts to 6 (i) 7 obtain or renew a certificate for the applicant or certificate holder or for another; 8 fraudulently or deceptively uses the title "certified interior (ii) designer" or the term "certified interior design services"; 10 (iii) under the laws of the United States or of any state, is convicted 11 of: 12 1. a felony; or 13 2. a misdemeanor that is directly related to the fitness and 14 qualification of the applicant or certificate holder to perform certified interior design 15 services: is guilty of any fraud, gross negligence, incompetence, or 16 misconduct in the use of the title "certified interior designer" or the term "certified 17 18 interior design services"; 19 SIGNS OR SEALS ANY INTERIOR DESIGN DOCUMENTS AFTER A (v) 20 CERTIFICATE HOLDER'S CERTIFICATE EXPIRES OR HAS BEEN SUSPENDED OR 21 REVOKED BY THE BOARD; 22 (VI) knowingly violates any provision of the code of ethics that the 23 Board adopts; or 24 knowingly violates any provision of this title. [(vi)](VII) 25 (2) Instead of or in addition to reprimanding a certificate holder or (i) 26 suspending or revoking a certificate under this subsection, the Board may impose a penalty not exceeding \$5,000 for each violation. 28 To determine the amount of the penalty imposed under this (ii) 29 subsection, the Board shall consider: 30 1. the seriousness of the violation: 31 2. the harm caused by the violation; 32 3. the good faith of the certificate holder; and 33 4. any history of previous violations by the certificate holder.

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- 1 (II) THE NAME OF THE CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGNER WHO
- 2 HOLDS THE SEAL.
- 3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 4 October 1, 2002.