



# Maryland Coalition for Interior Designers

Supporting the Interior Design profession in Maryland

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**Bill:** Senate Bill 714 – State Board of Certified Interior Designers – Sunset Extension  
**Committee:** Senate Education, Energy and Environment Committee  
The Honorable Brian Feldman, Chair  
**Position:** SUPPORT  
**Date:** Friday, March 3, 2023

The Maryland Coalition for Interior Designers is a privately funded, self-sustaining, volunteer organization that represents, promotes and informs the positions of the Interior Design community. It is a unified voice for practicing interior designers regardless of affiliation. We closely monitor current and future legislation that may have an effect on our profession.

**The Maryland Coalition for Interior Designers (MDCID) Supports Senate Bill 714 and the certification of interior designers in the State of Maryland.** The Maryland Board of Certified Interior Designers works to maintain the health, safety and welfare of Marylanders through the regulation of our profession and certified interior designers. As drafted, Senate Bill 714 will continue the operations of the Board until **2034**.

Professional interior designers are qualified by education, training, and examination to design and coordinate multi-faceted built interior environments that protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public as well as enhance the functionality and aesthetic quality of these spaces. Interior designers combine critical skills, such as knowledge of codes, ADA, and construction materials, and creative thinking skills, such as space planning, documentation, and finish selection, to serve the public and create safe built space.

Interior design encompasses many built environments across residential, commercial and institutional interiors, including but not limited to, homes, hotels, restaurants, schools and universities, dormitories, office and industrial interiors, medical offices, ambulatory care facilities, hospitals, and senior living facilities.

Services provided by certified interior designers include designing safe environments for everyone from infants and the aged, taking into account materials that meet or exceed fire codes; complying with building codes; designing ergonomic work spaces; space planning to provide proper means of egress; and accommodations for people with disabilities and persons with special needs to participate in the everyday commercial, economic, and social activities of American life.

**For the reasons noted above we urge the committee give Senate Bill 714 a Favorable vote. Thank you for your consideration.**

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