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CALIFORNIA ARCHITECTS BOARD FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Hearing Date: April 3, 2013 – 10:00 a.m.

Subject Matter of Proposed Regulations: Enforcement

Section Affected: 16 CCR 103

Updated Information

The Initial Statement of Reasons is included in the file. The information contained therein is complete and no changes have been made.

Local Mandate

A mandate is not imposed on local agencies or school districts.

Small Business Impact

This regulation will not have a significant adverse economic impact on businesses. It will only impact licensed architects.

Anticipated Benefits of Regulatory Proposal

Delegating to the Board's EO the authority to approve settlement agreements, if the agreed upon action is license revocation or surrender, will shorten the timeframe for these cases, thus adding to consumer protection by allowing orders to become effective in a more timely manner.

Consideration of Alternatives

No reasonable alternative which was considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Board would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which it was proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted regulation or would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

Set forth below are the alternatives which were considered and the reasons each alternative was rejected:

1. Not amend the regulations. This alternative was rejected because the changes proposed by this regulatory action are based on enforcement processes and

procedures, and are necessary to improve the Board's enforcement operations. The regulatory proposal will assist in achieving the Board and DCA goal of reducing the average enforcement completion timeline to between 12 and 18 months.

2. Amend the regulation. The Board determined that this alternative is the most feasible because the proposed regulatory changes would enhance the Board's ability to protect the public.

Objections or Recommendations/Responses

The Board did not receive any comments regarding the proposed regulation.