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S. P. 438

In Senate, March 12, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Business Legislation. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Teague of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Clarify the Status of Engineers Regarding the Design of Buildings.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

32 MRSA § 226, sub-§ 1, ¶ E, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 463, § 3, is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read:

The term “incidental” means any work, regardless of scope, that is involved in an engineer’s practice, or architectural work performed by an engineer, regardless of the extent of that work.

STATEMENT OF FACT

On occasion when design services are requested in the field of architectural or engineering services, the stipulation may read as follows, “architects, engineers or designers in the design and construction stages of a project, shall be professionally licensed to practice architecture by the state in which the project is to be constructed.”

The question arises, can an engineer do architectural work?

The architect and engineering registration law relating to work that each profession may perform are identical, and therefore this limitation in practice should be clarified under the law.