

Support House Bill 2141

Commercial Interior Design

Problem: Interior design is currently the only profession in the built environment in Oregon that is not tested, regulated, or formally recognized by the state.

Solution: A voluntary registry for Commercial Interior Designers in Oregon, providing a legal definition of practice and enabling stamp and seal privileges for permitting.

What HB 2141 Does

- Protect the Public**
 - Ensures only qualified professionals design non-structural interior spaces to code.
- Recognizes the Profession**
 - Establishes title protection for Registered Commercial Interior Designers.
- Increases Accountability**
 - Requires continuing education and authorizes use of an official seal.
- Maintains Oversight**
 - A state agency manages the voluntary registry and ensures compliance.

Why HB 2141 Matters

Opportunity

Resolves legal ambiguity by formally recognizing Commercial Interior Designers. Currently, code officials interpret permitting authority inconsistently—HB 2141 ensures their technical expertise is clearly defined and accepted statewide.

Economic

Expands opportunities for small businesses, solo practitioners, supports women in business. It also allows Commercial Interior Designers to competitively bid on projects requiring a registered design professional.

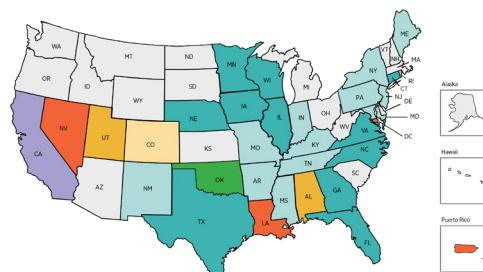
Accountability

Ensures consumer protection by aligning legal recognition with expertise. Commercial Interior Designers are trained in building codes, fire and life safety, and accessibility (ADA) and meet state and nationally recognized standards of practice.

Where are the Impacts

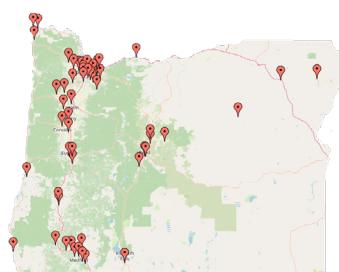
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States + Washington D.C. +
Puerto Rico have already passed
Interior Design legislation



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Oregon Interior Designers are certified by the National Council for Interior Design Qualification



Commercial Interior Designers Provide

- Code Compliance & Life Safety
- Construction Documentation
- Space Planning & Programming
- Accessibility (ADA)
- Material Selection
- Furniture & Equip. Specification
- Wayfinding & Signage Design
- Thermal, Lighting, Acoustics

Who is Affected

Commercial Interior Designers are trained to design interior spaces that directly impact the **health, safety, and welfare of the public**.

A Registered Commercial Interior Designer has:

- Accredited Education
- Supervised Experience
- Passed a rigorous Exam