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GENERAL CIRCULAR NO. 3/2007

AMENDMENTS TO THE ARCHITECTS ACT 1967

This General Circular is issued to inform all registered members that the Architects Act 1967 had recently been amended. The amendments had been gazetted and come into force on 1 April 2007.

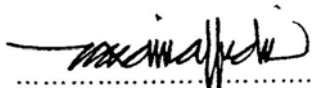
Among the amendments are in respect of the following sections :-

1. Section 2
 - Definition of "registered Architect" is amended to "Graduate Architect" and definition of "registered Building Draughtsman" is amended to "Building Draughtsman".
 - Insertion of the definition of "Interior Designer".
2. Section 7A
 - Increase of fine from RM10,000 to RM50,000 and period of suspension of registration from one year to two years which may be imposed by the Disciplinary Committee on architectural consultancy practice for disciplinary offence.
3. Section 15A
 - Insertion of false or negligent certification as a ground for disciplinary action.
 - Increase of fine from RM10,000 to RM50,000 and the period of suspension of registration from one year to two years which may be imposed by the Disciplinary Committee on Professional Architects or Graduate Architects.
4. Section 25
 - Insertion of false or negligent certification as a ground for disciplinary action.
 - Increase of fine from RM5,000 to RM25,000 and period of suspension of registration from one year to two years which may be imposed on any Building Draughtsman for disciplinary offence.
5. Sections 27A - 27J
 - Insertion of a new Part VA on 'Special Provisions relating to Interior Designers'.

6. Section 34 - Increase of fine from RM5,000 to RM10,000 on any person, sole proprietorship, partnership or body corporate who contravenes the provisions of the Act and its regulations where there is no penalty expressly provided.

All Professional Architects, Graduate Architects and Building Draughtsmen are advised to obtain a copy of the amended Architects Act 1967 which can be obtained from the Board's office/website.

By Order of the Board of Architects Malaysia,



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Registrar

21 May 2007.