

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 4, 2020

Introduced by Sen. GOUNARDES -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to penalties imposed upon architects relating to illegal conversion of dwellings

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7307-a
2 to read as follows:

3 § 7307-a. Penalties relating to work involving illegal conversion of
4 dwellings. No architect shall prepare or direct the preparation of work-
5 ing drawings, plans or specifications for any change in the structural
6 parts or existing facilities of any building, including, but not limited
7 to, the subdivision of rooms, or erection or demolition of walls, or the
8 moving of any building from one location or position to another, which
9 shall result in the illegal conversion of such dwelling in violation of
10 any state or local law, ordinance, code or rule or regulation relating
11 to real property, buildings or multiple dwellings. Upon a finding that
12 an architect has violated the provisions of this section, the state
13 board for architecture shall impose a fine of ten thousand dollars for a
14 first violation and a fine of fifteen thousand dollars for a second
15 violation. Upon a third violation of such section such board shall
16 revoke the license issued under this article.

17 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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