



## Registered Architects Amendment Act 2012

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Commencement see section 2

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### The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

- Title**  
This Act is the Registered Architects Amendment Act 2012.
- Commencement**  
This Act comes into force 1 year after the date on which it receives the Royal assent unless it is earlier brought into force on a date appointed by the Governor-General by Order in Council.

**3 Principal Act amended**

This Act amends the Registered Architects Act 2005.

*Amendments to principal Act***4 Complaints about registered architects**

Section 24 is amended by repealing subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

- “(2) As soon as practicable after receiving a complaint, the Board must—
- “(a) decide whether to proceed with the complaint in accordance with the rules; and
  - “(b) if it decides to proceed with the complaint, appoint 1 or more persons in accordance with the rules to investigate, and report on, the complaint; and
  - “(c) determine the complaint in accordance with the rules after considering the report of that investigator or of those investigators (as the case may be).”

**5 Board must make rules relating to registered architects**

Section 67(2) is amended by repealing paragraphs (j) to (l) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- “(j) how complaints about the conduct of registered architects or former registered architects must be dealt with, including—
- “(i) the procedure for appointing a person or persons to investigate, and report on, a complaint:
  - “(ii) the requirement that at least 1 person appointed for the purpose specified in subparagraph (i) must not be a member of the Board:
  - “(iii) the procedure of the Board in determining a complaint:
- “(k) how a matter about the conduct of registered architects or former registered architects that is raised by the Board’s own inquiries must be dealt with:
- “(l) how decisions on a complaint or inquiry must be implemented.”

*Transitional provision***6 Complaints made to Board**

A complaint made to the Board about the conduct of a registered architect or a former registered architect before the commencement of this Act that had not been finally dealt with before the commencement of this Act must be dealt with by the Board as if this Act had not been enacted.

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**Legislative history**

22 August 2012	Divided from Regulatory Reform Bill (Bill 269–2) by committee of the whole House as Bill 269–3I
23 August 2012	Third reading
30 August 2012	Royal assent

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This Act is administered by the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment.

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