

The Honorable _____
State House
Room # _____
Boston, MA 02133

Dear _____

My name is [Your Full Name], I am a constituent living in [Name of your city] and an [interior designer, other profession or owner of an interior design firm] in [Name of your city].

I am writing to you today to express my strong support for the registration of interior designers in Massachusetts

**SB # 178 Relative to interior designers, sponsored by Senator Cynthia Stone Creem
HB 3209, allows registered interior designers to bid on state contracts, sponsored by Representative Louis Kafka.**

These bills support the profession of interior design, creating a state board of registration allowing qualified interior designers to become licensed in Massachusetts.

Interior design combines knowledge of building codes, critical and creative thinking, communication and technology for the purposes of improving the quality of life, increasing productivity, and protecting the health, safety and welfare of the public. Interior designers create interior spaces that are functional, safe and productive. Additionally, interior designers offer consumers a unique combination of education, experience and examination that greatly enhances the built environment. In order for consumers to benefit from our services, however, interior designers must be recognized as professionals and have unrestricted access to the marketplace.

Currently, 26 U.S. states and jurisdictions, including the neighboring states of Connecticut, Maine, New Jersey and New York, have some form of interior design registration law that grants qualified individuals who have met the requirements of education, experience and examination the ability to be recognized by the state as professionals. Professional recognition of interior designers brings more competition to design services. Costs are lower, unique services are provided, and the consumer ultimately wins when interior designers are granted unrestricted right to practice through professional recognition.

I urge you to vote in support of SB# 178 and HB# 3209- legal recognition the interior design profession in Massachusetts. Thank you for your consideration of this important issue, and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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[your title]
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[your tel]
[your email]

cc:/ Massachusetts Interior Design Coalition (MIDC) [midc@comcast.net]