

**UPDATED INFORMATIVE DIGEST
FOR
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE
DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT – ACCESS COMPLIANCE (DSA-AC)
REGARDING THE 2010 CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 1**

The Division of the State Architect finds that no have been made which would warrant a change to the informative digest contained in the Notice for Title 24, Part 1.

Summary of the Immediately Preceding Laws and Regulations

(Government Code Section 11346.9(b))

Section 4450 of the Government Code authorizes the State Architect to establish building standards for making buildings, structures, sidewalks, curbs, and related facilities accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities. Section 4454 of the Government Code requires the Department of General Services' review and approval of building projects utilizing state funds (including public school and community colleges) to ensure compliance with accessibility standards. Section 4454 also authorizes the Department to collect a filing fee for the services and include the cost of carrying out the responsibilities for development of building standards as part of the plan review costs in determining fees.

Existing administrative standards allow the Division of the State Architect (DSA) to collect fees as a percentage of the estimated construction costs for projects submitted for plan review. Section 5-104 of Title 24, Part 1, directs the DSA to conduct a review of the fee schedule in 2011 and within every four years thereafter. Upon review of the fee schedule, DSA may reduce the fees or propose a fee schedule increase.

Summary of Effect

(Government Code Section 11346.9(b))

The proposed regulatory action will result in a revised fee schedule for projects submitted to the DSA for review and approval of compliance with accessibility standards pursuant to Government Code section 4454(d). The fees are based on percentage of the estimated costs of construction projects submitted for plan review. The proposed regulatory action will result in increase of the base fee from 0.4 percent to 0.62 percent of the project cost and make a corresponding increase to the entire fee schedule, with the exception of the minimum fee of \$400 (to remain unchanged).