## **Department of Consumer Affairs** Title 16. CALIFORNIA ARCHITECTS BOARD LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

## ADDENDUM TO THE INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS IN OAL FILE Z-2021-1201-03 **Education and Training Credits**

On Page 23 of the Initial Statement of Reasons in OAL FILE Z-2021-1201-03 Education and Training Credits, the discussion of the amendments to CCR section 2620, subdivision (d)(2) inadvertently lacked a justification for changing the language in the existing text from saying the Board "shall" purge records unless otherwise notified by the candidate after five years to state the Board "may" purge application records after five years of lack of communication or inactivity.

The anticipated benefit of this change was to relieve staff of the burden of monitoring abandoned files to determine if those files had passed the five year mark without communication or activity, and instead allow staff to purge the files after five years had passed when they had time to do so.

The rationale for this change was to give staff greater flexibility to deal with abandoned files. Also, with this change, if staff did not get around to purging a file and an applicant contacted the board, the applicant could enjoy the benefit of their luck that the file was still with the board, and reduce what materials the applicant would need to be re-send on their "no longer abandoned" application.