161.3418 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

Subdivision 1. Licensed professional required. Each design-builder shall employ, or have as a partner, member, officer, coventurer, or subcontractor, a person duly licensed and registered to provide the design services required to complete the project and do business in the state.

Subd. 2. **Contracting for licensed professional.** A design-builder may enter into a contract to provide professional or construction services for a project that the design-builder is not licensed, registered, or qualified to perform, so long as the design-builder provides those services through subcontractors with duly licensed, registered, or otherwise qualified individuals in accordance with sections 161.3410 to 161.3428.

Subd. 3. Liability. (a) Nothing in this section authorizing design-build contracts is intended to limit or eliminate the responsibility or liability owed by a professional on a design-build project to the state, county, or city, or other third parties under existing law.

(b) The design service portion of a design-build contract must be considered a service and not a product.

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