

House Bill 726

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 43-15-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 definitions pertaining to professional engineers and land surveyors, so as to revise the  
3 definition of the term "land surveying"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting  
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 43-15-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions  
8 pertaining to professional engineers and land surveyors, is amended by striking  
9 subparagraph (D) of paragraph (6) and inserting in lieu thereof a new subparagraph (D) to  
10 read as follows:

11 "(D) The design, platting, and layout, incidental to subdivisions of any tract of land by  
12 a land surveyor, of:

13 (i) grading; Grading plans and site plans;

14 (ii) erosion Erosion and sediment control; plans, including detention ponds, provided  
15 that no impoundment shall be designed on a live (perennial) stream; provided, further,  
16 that such detention ponds:

17 (I) Contain no more than five acre-feet of water storage at maximum pool (top of  
18 dam) or are no more than ten feet in height for a dry storage pond;

19 (II) Are no more than six feet in height for a permanent (wet) storage pond; or

20 (III) Contain no more than three acre-feet of water storage at maximum pool (top  
21 of dam) if the height is more than ten feet but less than 13 feet for a dry storage  
22 pond;

23 (iii) storm drainage pipes and culverts; Storm water management plans and facilities,  
24 including hydrologic studies and temporary sediment basins, provided that the  
25 contributing drainage area shall not be larger than 100 acres; and

1 (iv) Extension of existing water distribution piping and or gravity sanitary collection  
2 sewer extensions therein sewers, eight inches in diameter or smaller, provided that  
3 off-site length shall not exceed 1,000 feet, the design and installation construction of  
4 such water distribution or gravity sanitary sewer extensions which shall conform to  
5 the local government ordinances and regulations, and such extensions shall be  
6 subjected to the review and approval of the a local government or its engineer which  
7 has been delegated approval authority by the Environmental Protection Division of  
8 the Department of Natural Resources;".

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.