

Senate Bill 125

By: Senators Walker III of the 20th, Setzler of the 37th, Kennedy of the 18th, Strickland of the 42nd, Brass of the 6th and others

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 15 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 professional engineers and land surveyors, so as to decouple the sequential order of
3 experience and examination requirements; 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 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 15 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional
8 engineers and land surveyors, is amended by revising Code Section 43-15-9, relating to
9 professional engineer certificate of registration and eligibility, as follows:

10 "43-15-9.

11 To be eligible for a certificate of registration as a professional engineer, an applicant must
12 meet the following minimum requirements:

13 (1)(A) Obtain certification by the board as an engineer-in-training under paragraph (1)
14 of Code Section 43-15-8;

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(B) Acquire a specific record of not less than four years' experience in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the board which indicates the applicant is competent to practice professional engineering; and

(C) ~~Subsequently pass~~ Pass a written examination in the principles and practice of engineering (professional engineer's examination);

(2)(A) Obtain certification by the board as an engineer-in-training under paragraph (2) of Code Section 43-15-8;

(B) Acquire a specific record of not less than seven years' experience in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the board which indicates the applicant is competent to practice professional engineering; and

(C) ~~Subsequently pass~~ Pass a written examination in the principles and practice of engineering (professional engineer's examination);

(3)(A) Obtain certification by the board as an engineer-in-training under paragraph (3) of Code Section 43-15-8;

(B) Acquire a specific record of not less than seven years' experience in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the board which indicates the applicant is competent to practice professional engineering; and

(C) ~~Subsequently pass~~ Pass a written examination in the principles and practice of engineering (professional engineer's examination); or

(4)(A) Graduate in an engineering or related science curriculum of not less than four academic years;

(B) Acquire a specific record of not less than 16 years' experience in engineering work, of which at least eight years have been in responsible charge of important engineering work of a character satisfactory to the board, which indicates the applicant is competent to practice professional engineering; and

(C) ~~Subsequently pass~~ Pass a written examination in the principles and practice of engineering (professional engineer's examination)."

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SECTION 2.

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