

# SENATE BILL 12

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By: **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request  
– Departmental – Labor)**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Professional Engineers – Qualifications for Licensure – Experience**  
3 **Requirements Requirement**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~requiring certain applicants for a license to practice engineering to have~~  
5 ~~a certain number of years of progressive work experience in engineering to qualify~~  
6 ~~for a license~~; repealing a provision of law that requires a certain applicant for a  
7 license to practice engineering to have a certain number of years of work experience  
8 in responsible charge of other engineers; and generally relating to licensure  
9 requirements for professional engineers.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
11 Article – Business Occupations and Professions  
12 Section 14-305(a), ~~(b)(2)~~, (b)(1)(ii) and (2), ~~(c)(2)~~, and ~~(d)(2)~~  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 Article – Business Occupations and Professions  
17 Section ~~14-305(b)(1)(ii), (c)(2), and (d)(1)(i)~~ 14-305(d)(1)(i)  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
2 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

4 14–305.

5 (a) In addition to the other qualifications for a license set forth in this subtitle, an  
6 applicant shall qualify under this section by meeting the educational and experience  
7 requirements set forth in subsection (b), (c), or (d) of this section.

8 (b) (1) An applicant qualifies under this section if the applicant:

9 (ii) subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, has at least 4 years of  
10 ~~PROGRESSIVE~~ work experience in engineering that is satisfactory to the Board and that  
11 indicates to the Board that the applicant may be competent to practice engineering;

12 (2) If an applicant has completed graduate study in engineering that is  
13 satisfactory to the Board, it may allow the applicant up to a 1–year credit toward the  
14 experience requirement of paragraph (1)(ii) of this subsection.

15 (c) An applicant qualifies under this section if the applicant:

16 (2) has at least 8 years of ~~PROGRESSIVE~~ work experience in engineering  
17 that is satisfactory to the Board and that indicates to the Board that the applicant may be  
18 competent to practice engineering;

19 (d) (1) An applicant qualifies under this section if the applicant:

20 (i) subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, has at least 12 years  
21 of ~~PROGRESSIVE~~ work experience in engineering that is satisfactory to the Board[, in at  
22 least 5 years of which the applicant has been in responsible charge, if the collective  
23 experience] **AND THAT** indicates to the Board that the applicant may be competent to  
24 practice engineering; and

25 (2) If an applicant has completed 1 or more years of a college or university  
26 curriculum in engineering that the Board approves, it may allow, for each of those years, a  
27 1–year credit towards the experience requirement of paragraph (1)(i) of this subsection.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
29 October 1, 2020.