
By: Chairman, Economic Matters Committee (Departmental - Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board for Professional Engineers - Licensure by Reciprocity**

3 FOR the purpose of clarifying the requirements for licensure by reciprocity to require an
4 applicant to meet the current education, experience, and examination criteria
5 established by the State Board for Professional Engineers; and generally relating to
6 licensure by reciprocity by the State Board for Professional Engineers.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
9 Section 14-311
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

15 14-311.

16 (a) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Board may [waive any
17 examination requirement of this subtitle for] ISSUE A LICENSE BY RECIPROCITY TO
18 PRACTICE ENGINEERING IN THIS STATE TO an individual who is CURRENTLY licensed
19 to practice engineering in another state or territory of the United States or in a foreign
20 country.

21 (b) The Board may [grant a waiver] ISSUE A LICENSE under this section only if
22 the applicant:

23 (1) is of good character and reputation;

24 (2) pays to the Board a license fee of \$100 in lieu of any fee required under
25 § 14-312 of this subtitle; and

26 (3) provides adequate evidence that:

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1 (i) at the time the applicant was licensed by the other state, territory,
2 or foreign country, the applicant met requirements that were equivalent to those then
3 required by the laws of this State; or

4 (ii) at the time of application for [waiver of the examination
5 requirements] LICENSURE BY RECIPROCITY under this section, the applicant meets the
6 [education and experience] requirements currently required by the laws of this State.

7 (c) An engineer who is [granted a waiver of the examination requirements and
8 becomes] licensed by the Board BY RECIPROCITY may not be required to maintain
9 licensure in any other state, territory, or foreign country as a condition of maintaining the
10 license granted by the Board.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 1997.