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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board for Professional Land Surveyors - License Renewals -**
3 **Continuing Competency Demonstration**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors to
5 adopt regulations to require a demonstration of continuing professional
6 competency for a licensed land surveyor or a licensed property line surveyor to
7 renew a certain license; requiring the Board to implement certain regulations
8 beginning with a certain licensing period; and generally relating to the renewal
9 of certain licenses by the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
12 Section 15-101(a), (b), and (d)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
17 Section 15-314
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)
20 (As enacted by Chapter 735 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997)

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

23 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

24 15-101.

25 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

26 (b) "Board" means the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors.

1 (d) (1) "License" means, unless the context requires otherwise, a license
2 issued by the Board to practice:

3 (i) land surveying; or

4 (ii) property line surveying.

5 (2) "License" includes, unless the context requires otherwise:

6 (i) a license to practice land surveying;

7 (ii) a license to practice property line surveying;

8 (iii) a limited license issued under § 15-316 of this title; and

9 (iv) a temporary license issued under § 15-317 of this title.

10 15-314.

11 (a) Unless a license is renewed for a 2-year term as provided in this section,
12 the license expires on the first June 30 that comes:

13 (1) after the effective date of the license; and

14 (2) in an odd-numbered year.

15 (b) (1) At least 1 month before a license expires, the Board shall mail to the
16 licensee, at the last known address of the licensee:

17 (i) a renewal application form; and

18 (ii) a notice that states:

19 1. the date on which the current license expires;

20 2. the date by which the Board must receive the renewal
21 application for the renewal to be issued and mailed before the license expires; and

22 3. the amount of the renewal fee.

23 (2) The failure of a licensee to receive the notice for which this subsection
24 provides does not prevent the license from expiring as specified under subsection (a)
25 of this section.

26 (c) Before a license expires, the licensee periodically may renew it for an
27 additional 2-year term, if the licensee:

28 (1) otherwise is entitled to be licensed;

29 (2) pays to the Board a renewal fee of:

30 (i) \$60 for a license to practice land surveying; or

1 (ii) \$40 for a license to practice property line surveying; and

2 (3) submits to the Board a renewal application on the form that the
3 Board provides.

4 (d) (1) The Board shall renew the license of and issue a renewal certificate
5 to each licensee who meets the requirements of this section.

6 (2) The Board shall include on each renewal certificate that the Board
7 issues:

8 (i) the date on which the current license expires; and

9 (ii) the signatures of the chairman and secretary of the Board,
10 under seal of the Board.

11 (e) The Secretary may determine that licenses issued under this subtitle shall
12 expire on a staggered basis.

13 (F) THE BOARD SHALL:

14 (1) ADOPT REGULATIONS TO REQUIRE A DEMONSTRATION OF
15 CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY FOR A LICENSEE AS A CONDITION OF
16 RENEWAL OF A LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION; AND

17 (2) IMPLEMENT THE REGULATIONS BEGINNING WITH THE LICENSING
18 PERIOD THAT COMMENCES JULY 1, 1999.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
20 October 1, 1998.