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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Business Occupations - Land Surveyors - License Renewal**

3 FOR the purpose of altering certain license renewal requirements for land surveyors;
4 repealing a certain termination provision relating to the continuing professional
5 competency requirement for land surveyors; and generally relating to land
6 surveyors.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
9 Section 15-314
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Chapter 567 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999
14 Section 2

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

17 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

18 15-314.

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

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

1 (2) in an odd-numbered year.

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

4 (i) a renewal application form; and

5 (ii) a notice that states:

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

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

9 3. the amount of the renewal fee.

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

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

15 (1) otherwise is entitled to be licensed;

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

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

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

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

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

23 (2) The Board shall include on each renewal certificate that the Board
24 issues:

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

26 (ii) the signatures of the chairman and secretary of the Board,
27 under seal of the Board.

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

30 (f) The Board shall adopt regulations to require a demonstration of continuing
31 professional competency for a licensee as a condition of renewal of a license under this
32 section IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING:

1 (1) ~~AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS LICENSED FOR THE FIRST TIME DOES NOT~~
2 ~~HAVE A CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT UNTIL THEIR~~
3 ~~SECOND RENEWAL PERIOD. A CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY~~
4 ~~REQUIREMENT DOES NOT APPLY TO THE FIRST RENEWAL OF A LICENSE;~~

5 (2) ~~IF A LICENSE IS RENEWED EXPIRES ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30,~~
6 ~~2002, THE LICENSEE A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR OR LICENSED PROPERTY~~
7 ~~LINE SURVEYOR IS NOT REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL~~
8 ~~COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT FOR THAT RENEWAL PERIOD;~~

9 (3) ~~IF A LICENSE IS RENEWED ON OR EXPIRES BETWEEN OCTOBER 1,~~
10 ~~2002 AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2003, THE LICENSEE A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR OR~~
11 ~~LICENSED PROPERTY LINE SURVEYOR IS REQUIRED TO FULFILL 50 PERCENT OF THE~~
12 ~~CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT FOR THAT RENEWAL~~
13 ~~PERIOD AS PROVIDED IN THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD UNDER THIS~~
14 ~~SUBSECTION; AND~~

15 (4) ~~IF A LICENSE IS RENEWED EXPIRES ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2003,~~
16 ~~THE LICENSEE A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR OR LICENSED PROPERTY LINE~~
17 ~~SURVEYOR IS REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE FULL CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL~~
18 ~~COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT AS PROVIDED IN THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE~~
19 ~~BOARD UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.~~

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Chapter 567 of the Acts of 1999

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 October 1, 1999. [It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of
23 September 30, 2001, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
24 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

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26 October 1, 2001.