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FISCAL NOTE

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Senate Bill 416 (Senator Stone, *et al.*)

Economic and Environmental Affairs

Economic Matters

Business Occupations - Land Surveyors - License Renewal

This bill provides that a land surveyor or property line surveyor who is licensed for the first time does not have to meet the continuing professional competency requirements, established under regulations of the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors, until the second renewal period of the surveyor's license. The bill also repeals the two-year sunset on the legislation (Chapter 567 of 1999), that established the continuing professional competency requirements for licensed land surveyors and property line surveyors.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not materially affect State operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Bill Summary: If a land surveyor's or property line surveyor's license expires on or before September 30, 2002, the licensee is not required to fulfill the continuing professional competency requirement. If a license expires on or between October 1, 2002 and September 30, 2003, the licensee is required to fulfill 50% of the continuing professional competency requirement as provided in regulations. A person whose license expires after October 1, 2003 is required to fulfill the full continuing professional competency requirement as provided in regulations.

Current Law: The State Board for Professional Land Surveyors is required to adopt regulations that require a demonstration of continuing professional competency as a condition for the renewal of a land surveyor's license or property line surveyor's license.

The 1999 law establishing the continuing professional competency requirement is scheduled to terminate September 30, 2001.

Background: There are approximately 1,018 professional land surveyors in the State. Of those, over 800 are licensed land or property line surveyors. At this time the continuing professional competency requirements have not been established.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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