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## A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning
Professional Engineers – Responsible Charge – Review and Approval of Engineering Documents
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FOR the purpose of requiring certain engineering documents prepared in connection with
certain projects conducted by, jointly with, or under contract with the State or a
political subdivision of the State, where certain skills are required, to be signed,
sealed, and dated by a certain professional engineer; requiring any review or
approval by a unit of State or local government of a certain engineering document to
be undertaken by a certain professional engineer with responsible charge for the
governmental unit's oversight of a certain project for which a certain engineering document was prepared; and generally relating to the review and approval of
engineering documents by a professional engineer with responsible charge.
BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 14–101(a), (j), (k), and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 14–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
Article – Business Occupations and Professions

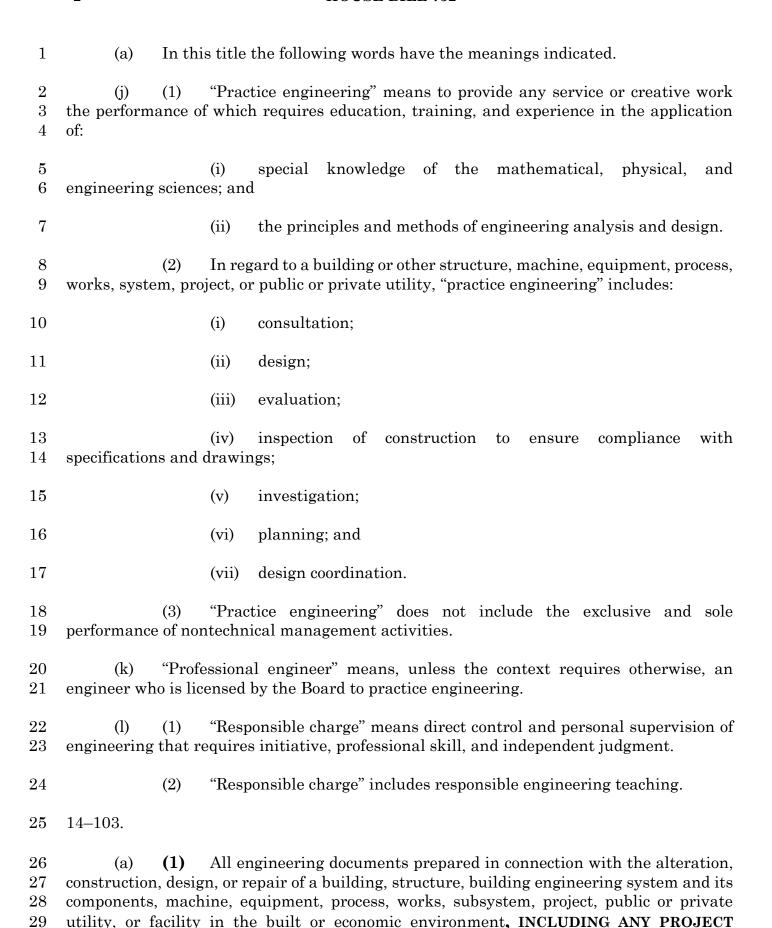
EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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- 1 CONDUCTED BY, JOINTLY WITH, OR UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OR A
- 2 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE, where the skills of a professional engineer are
- 3 required, shall be signed, sealed, and dated by the professional engineer who prepared or
- 4 approved the documents.
- 5 (2) ANY REQUIRED REVIEW OR APPROVAL BY A UNIT OF STATE OR
- 6 LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF AN ENGINEERING DOCUMENT PREPARED UNDER
- 7 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN BY A PROFESSIONAL
- 8 ENGINEER WITH RESPONSIBLE CHARGE WITH RESPECT TO THE GOVERNMENTAL
- 9 UNIT'S OVERSIGHT OF THE PROJECT FOR WHICH THE ENGINEERING DOCUMENT
- 10 WAS PREPARED.
- 11 (b) A professional engineer may perform design coordination for a project or 12 portion of a project provided that the professional engineer:
- 13 (1) holds a current license issued by the Board; and
- 14 (2) has adequate experience in, and understanding of, achieving the 15 purpose of the project or portion of the project being coordinated.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 17 October 1, 2015.