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S*0685 (Rat #0222, Act #0259 of 2016) General Bill, By Leatherman, Alexander, Campbell, S. Martin, Nicholson and O'Dell

Summary: Engineers and surveyors

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-2, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PURPOSE OF CHAPTER 22, TITLE 40 CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION OF ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING IS SUBJECT TO REGULATION BY THIS STATE: TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-10, RELATING TO THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD, REDEFINE, AND DELETE DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-50, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE BOARD, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN AND UPDATE, RATHER THAN ANNUALLY PREPARE, A ROSTER OF INFORMATION CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-60, RELATING TO THE DUTY OF THE BOARD TO PROMULGATE CERTAIN REGULATIONS, SO AS TO UPDATE A CROSS REFERENCE AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO PROVIDING ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING STATUTORY REVISIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-75, RELATING TO EMERGENCY WAIVERS OF LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO LIMIT APPLICATION OF THESE WAIVERS TO DECLARED NATIONAL OR STATE EMERGENCIES AND TO LIMIT THEIR DURATION TO NINETY DAYS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-110, RELATING TO THE AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION OF THE LICENSES OF MENTALLY INCOMPETENT PERSONS, SO AS TO DELETE A REDUNDANCY; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-220, RELATING TO ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE AS AN ENGINEER, SO AS TO REVISE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-222, RELATING TO LICENSURE OF EXISTING ENGINEERS, SO AS TO ADD AN OPTIONAL ACCREDITATION SOURCE FOR AN EDUCATION REQUIREMENT; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-225, RELATING TO ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR SURVEYOR LICENSURE, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-230, RELATING TO APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-250, RELATING TO CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE AS A FIRM, SO AS TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS FOR THESE CERTIFICATES AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS THROUGH WHICH LICENSEES MAY MAINTAIN BRANCH OFFICES: TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-260, RELATING TO TEMPORARY LICENSES, SO AS TO REVISE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THE DEPARTMENT MAY GRANT TEMPORARY LICENSES TO OUT-OF-STATE FIRMS, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION OF PLANS PRODUCED AND SUBMITTED FOR PERMITTING BY PERSONS HOLDING TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION: TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-270, RELATING TO SEALS OF LICENSEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE SEALS AND SIGNATURES OF LICENSEES ON DOCUMENTS CONSTITUTE CERTIFICATION THAT THE DOCUMENTS WERE PREPARED BY THE LICENSEE OR UNDER HIS DIRECT SUPERVISION, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-280, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO EXCEPTIONS FROM THE APPLICABILITY OF THE CHAPTER, SO AS TO MODIFY THE EXEMPTIONS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-290, RELATING TO "TIER A" SURVEYING, SO AS TO EXEMPT THE CREATION OF NONTECHNICAL MAPS. ratified title

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04/21/15	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 13)
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04/19/16	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry (Senate
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04/28/16	Senate	Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 31)
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05/19/16	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry (House
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