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Short Title: Professional Engineers Amendments.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES REGULATING PROFESSIONAL  
3 ENGINEERS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 89C-3 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

6 "(11) 'Business Firm'. – The term means any representation or activity in the  
7 fields of engineering or land surveying, as defined in this Chapter,  
8 performed by an organization which is not incorporated by a  
9 governmental entity."

10 Sec. 2. G.S. 89C-13(b)(1)f. reads as rewritten:

11 "f. Registration by Comity or Endorsement. – A person holding a  
12 certificate of registration to engage in the practice of land  
13 surveying issued on comparable qualifications from a state,  
14 territory, or possession of the United States will be given  
15 comity considerations. However, he may be asked to take such  
16 examinations as the Board deems necessary to determine his  
17 qualifications, but in any event, he shall be required to pass a  
18 written examination ~~of not less than four hours' duration,~~ which  
19 shall include questions on laws, procedures, and practices  
20 pertaining to the practice of land surveying in North Carolina."

21 Sec 3. G.S. 89C-18 reads as rewritten:

22 "§ 89C-18. Reissuance of certificates.

1 A new certificate of registration, or certificate of authorization, to replace any  
2 certificate lost, destroyed, or mutilated, may be issued, subject to the rules of the Board.  
3 A charge of ~~five dollars (\$5.00)~~ not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be made for such  
4 issuance."

5 Sec. 4. G.S. 89C-24 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 89C-24. Corporate or partnership Business firm or corporate practice of**  
7 **engineering or and land surveying.**

8 A business firm or corporation or partnership may engage in the practice of  
9 engineering or land surveying in this State; ~~provided, however, the person or persons~~  
10 ~~connected with such corporation or partnership in charge of the designing or supervision~~  
11 ~~which constitutes such practice is or are registered as herein required of professional~~  
12 ~~engineers and registered land surveyors.~~ State provided that each business firm or  
13 corporation, whether the corporation was organized as a business corporation under the  
14 provisions of Chapter 55 of the General Statutes prior to June 5, 1969, or as a  
15 professional corporation organized under the provisions of Chapter 55B of the General  
16 Statutes after June 5, 1969, is registered with the Board and has paid the appropriate  
17 fees. This registration, however, shall not affect the requirement that all engineering or  
18 land surveying work shall be performed by or under the responsible charge of Board  
19 registrants as defined in G.S. 89C-3(10) nor relieve the individual registrants within a  
20 business firm or corporation of their design and supervision responsibilities. The same  
21 ~~exemptions shall apply to corporations and partnerships as apply to individuals under~~  
22 ~~this Chapter, provided further, that Business firms and corporations shall be subject to~~  
23 the same duties and responsibilities as an individual registrant; and unless incorporated  
24 prior to June 5, 1969, as provided in G.S. 55B-15, all corporations hereunder shall be  
25 incorporated in accord with and subject to the provisions of Chapter 55B of the General  
26 Statutes of North Carolina."

27 Sec. 5. This act becomes effective October 1, 1993.