

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1285, As Amended

BY COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS; AMENDING SECTION 54-1214, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING EXAMINATIONS THAT ARE OFFERED, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING A CANDIDATE WHO FAILS AN EXAMINATION, TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A RESTRICTED LICENSE TO ENGINEERING FACULTY UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND TO DEFINE A TERM.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 54-1214, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-1214. EXAMINATIONS. (1) Examinations will be held at such times and places as the board directs. The board shall determine the acceptable grade on examinations.

(2) Written professional examinations may be taken only after the applicant has met the other minimum requirements as given in section 54-1212, Idaho Code, ~~and has been approved by the board for admission to the examinations as follows.~~ The following examinations shall be offered:

(a) Fundamentals of Engineering -- The examination consists of a test on the fundamentals of engineering acceptable to the board. Passing this examination qualifies the examinee for an engineer intern certificate, provided he has met all other requirements of certification required by this chapter.

(b) Principles and Practice of Engineering -- The professional engineering examination consists of a test on applied engineering acceptable to the board. Passing this examination qualifies the examinee for licensure as a professional engineer, provided he has met the other requirements for licensure required by this chapter.

(c) Fundamentals of Surveying -- The examination consists of a test on the fundamentals of surveying acceptable to the board. Passing this examination qualifies the examinee for a land surveyor intern certificate, provided he has met all other requirements for certification required by this chapter.

(d) Principles and Practice of Surveying -- The professional surveying examination consists of a test on applied surveying acceptable to the board. Passing this examination qualifies the examinee for licensure as a professional land surveyor, provided he has met the other requirements for licensure required by this chapter.

(3) A candidate failing all or part of a professional ~~engineering or professional land surveying~~ examination ~~for the first time~~ may apply for request reexamination, which may be granted upon payment of ~~an application fee equal to the application fee for the required examination~~ plus a separate examination fee paid by the applicant directly to the entity designated by the board. In the event of a second failure, the examinee shall be required

1 to obtain a minimum of one (1) additional year of experience, acceptable
2 to the board, from the date of the second examination failure, and submit
3 evidence of having completed an additional eight (8) semester credits of
4 college level academic education relating to the examination that may in-
5 clude a professional engineering or professional surveying review course,
6 before the board will consider that he has acquired the necessary additional
7 knowledge to warrant assignment to a third examination. ~~The separate ap-~~
8 ~~plication and examination fees shall be as set forth herein.~~ In the event
9 of a third or subsequent failure, the examinee shall be required to obtain
10 a minimum of three (3) additional years of experience, acceptable to the
11 board, from the date of the third or subsequent examination failure, and sub-
12 mit evidence of having completed an additional twelve (12) semester credits
13 of college level academic education relating to the examination that may
14 include a second professional engineering or professional surveying review
15 course, before the board will consider that he has acquired the necessary
16 additional knowledge to warrant assignment to a subsequent examination. The
17 separate application and examination fees shall be as set forth herein.

18 (4) The board may prepare and adopt specifications for the ~~written~~ ex-
19 aminations in engineering and land surveying.

20 (5) The board may issue a restricted license to engineering faculty
21 with an earned doctorate degree. The license shall be restricted to those
22 licensees remaining employed by a college or university in this state and
23 teaching upper division engineering courses. The board may waive technical
24 examinations for such licenses in lieu of other requirements prescribed by
25 rule. As used in this section, "restricted license" means a license to teach
26 college or university upper division courses with an earned doctorate but
27 without passing a technical examination.