

By the Committee on Business Regulation & Consumer Affairs  
and Representatives Brown, Futch, Trovillion, Pruitt, Argenio,  
Greenstein and Patterson

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to construction documents;  
3           amending s. 471.025, F.S.; adding a  
4           circumstance under which engineering documents  
5           must be sealed; amending s. 633.021, F.S.;  
6           adding a definition of "layout"; providing an  
7           effective date.

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9   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 471.025, Florida  
12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13           471.025 Seals.--

14           (1) The board shall prescribe, by rule, a form of seal  
15 to be used by registrants holding valid certificates of  
16 registration. Each registrant shall obtain an impression-type  
17 metal seal in the form aforesaid and may, in addition,  
18 register his or her seal electronically in accordance with ss.  
19 282.70-282.75. All final drawings, specifications, plans,  
20 reports, or documents prepared or issued by the registrant and  
21 being filed for public record and all final bid documents  
22 provided to the owner or the owner's representative shall be  
23 signed by the registrant, dated, and stamped with said seal.  
24 Such signature, date, and seal shall be evidence of the  
25 authenticity of that to which they are affixed. Drawings,  
26 specifications, plans, reports, final bid documents, or  
27 documents prepared or issued by a registrant may be  
28 transmitted electronically and may be signed by the  
29 registrant, dated, and stamped electronically with said seal  
30 in accordance with ss. 282.70-282.75.

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1           Section 2. Subsections (14) through (26) of section  
2 633.021, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (15)  
3 through (27), and a new subsection (14) is added to said  
4 section, to read:

5           633.021 Definitions.--As used in this chapter:  
6           (14) "Layout" as used in this chapter means the layout  
7 of risers, cross mains, branch lines, sprinkler heads, sizing  
8 of pipe, hanger locations, and hydraulic calculations in  
9 accordance with the design concepts established through the  
10 provisions of s. 553.79(6)(c).

11           Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
12 law.

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