

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Baxley

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to fees; amending s. 471.011, F.S.;  
3           authorizing the Board of Professional Engineers to  
4           establish fees relating to professional structural  
5           engineer licensing; amending s. 471.015, F.S.;  
6           requiring applicants to pay a specified fee in order  
7           to be eligible to receive a professional structural  
8           engineer license; providing a contingent effective  
9           date.

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

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13           Section 1. Subsections (1) and (6) of section 471.011,  
14 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

15           471.011 Fees.—

16           (1) The board by rule may establish fees to be paid for  
17 applications, examination, reexamination, licensing and renewal,  
18 inactive status application and reactivation of inactive  
19 licenses, and recordmaking and recordkeeping. The board may also  
20 establish by rule a delinquency fee. The board shall establish  
21 fees that are adequate to ensure the continued operation of the  
22 board. Fees shall be based on department estimates of the  
23 revenue required to implement this chapter and the provisions of  
24 law with respect to the regulation of engineers and professional  
25 structural engineers.

26           (6) The fee for a temporary registration or certificate to  
27 practice engineering or professional structural engineering  
28 shall not exceed \$25 for an individual or \$50 for a business  
29 firm.

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30 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section  
31 471.015, Florida Statutes, as amended by SB 572, 2021 Regular  
32 Session, is amended to read:

33 471.015 Licensure.—

34 (3) (a) The management corporation shall issue a  
35 professional structural engineer license to any applicant whom  
36 the board certifies as qualified to practice professional  
37 structural engineering and who meets all of the following  
38 requirements:

39 1. Is licensed under this chapter as an engineer or is  
40 qualified for licensure as an engineer.

41 2. Submits an application in the format prescribed by the  
42 board.

43 3. Provides satisfactory evidence of good moral character,  
44 as defined by the board.

45 4. Provides a record of 4 years of active structural  
46 engineering experience, as defined by the board, under the  
47 supervision of a licensed professional engineer.

48 5. Has successfully passed the 16-hour National Council of  
49 Examiners for Engineering and Surveying Structural Engineering  
50 examination.

51 6. Pays a fee established by the board under s. 471.011.

52 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date that  
53 SB 572 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation  
54 is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension  
55 thereof and becomes a law.