

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
2 81st General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1997
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A Bill

ACT 335 OF 1997
HOUSE BILL 1347

5 By: Representative Stalnaker
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 17, CHAPTER 25,
10 SUBCHAPTER 303, PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION FOR
11 CONTRACTOR LICENSURE; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 17,
12 CHAPTER 25, SUBCHAPTER 305, PERTAINING TO APPLICANT
13 QUALIFICATIONS FOR CONTRACTOR LICENSURE; AND FOR OTHER
14 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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18 FOR CONTRACTOR LICENSURE; TO APPLICANT
19 QUALIFICATIONS FOR CONTRACTOR LICENSURE;
20 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 17-25-303(a) is amended to read as follows:

26 "(a)(1) Any person desiring to be licensed as a contractor in this
27 state shall make and file with the board thirty (30) days prior to any regular
28 or special meeting thereof, a written application on a form as may then be
29 prescribed by the board, for examination by the board. The application shall
30 be accompanied by payment in a sum to be determined by the board, but not to
31 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100), to the Contractors Licensing Board.

32 (2) The thirty (30) day requirement may be waived by the Contractors
33 Licensing Board provided the contractor has on file with the Contractors
34 Licensing Board a completed original application and proof of successfully
35 completing any examination required."
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1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 17-25-305 is amended to read as follows:

2 "17-25-305. Applicant qualifications.

3 (a) The board, in determining the qualifications of any applicant for
 4 original license or any renewal license, shall, among other things, consider
 5 the following:

6 (1) Experience;

7 (2) Ability;

8 (3) Character;

9 (4) The manner of performance of previous contracts;

10 (5) Financial condition;

11 (6) Equipment;

12 (7) Any other fact tending to show ability and willingness to conserve
 13 the public health and safety; and

14 (8) Default in complying with the provisions of this chapter or any
 15 other law of the state.

16 (b) The board may develop reciprocal agreements with other states with
 17 similar licensing responsibilities."

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19 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
 20 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
 21 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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23 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
 24 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
 25 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
 26 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
 27 act are declared to be severable.

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29 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
 30 hereby repealed.

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32 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

33 It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that greater
 34 flexibility is required in the issuance of contractors' licenses to enable
 35 the Contractors Licensing Board to provide for the efficient regulation of
 36 licensed contractors and that the immediate passage of this act is necessary

1 to accomplish the purposes of this act. Therefore, an emergency is declared
2 to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the
3 public peace, health and safety shall become effective on the date of its
4 approval by the Governor. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the
5 Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time
6 during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the
7 Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the
8 last house overrides the veto.

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