

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.
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1 State of Arkansas
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 445

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5 By: Senator J. Taylor
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR
10 REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR; AND FOR
11 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR
15 REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-48-203 is amended to read as follows:

21 17-48-203. Qualifications – Certification.

22 (a) Any person who shall show to the satisfaction of the State Board
23 of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors that he or she
24 is a person of good character and reputation and over twenty-one (21) years
25 of age shall be eligible for registration as a professional surveyor,
26 provided that he or she qualifies under one (1) of the following provisions:

27 (1) A person holding a certificate of registration to engage in
28 the practice of land surveying issued to him or her on the basis of a written
29 examination by proper authority of a state, territory, possession of the
30 United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign country, based on
31 requirements and qualifications as shown on his or her application, which, in
32 the opinion of the board, are equal to or higher than the requirements of
33 this chapter, may be registered at the discretion of the board;

34 (2)(A) A graduate from an approved engineering curriculum with
35 sufficient surveying courses or any surveying technology curriculum of two



1 (2) years or more approved by the board, followed by at least two (2) years
 2 of land surveying which must be surveying experience of a character
 3 satisfactory to the board, who shall have passed a written examination
 4 designed to show that he or she is qualified to practice land surveying in
 5 this state, may be registered, provided that he or she is otherwise
 6 qualified.

7 (B) Each year of teaching land surveying in an approved
 8 engineering or surveying curriculum may be considered as equivalent to one
 9 (1) year of land surveying experience; or

10 (3)(A) An applicant who cannot qualify under subdivision (a)(2)
 11 of this section and who has six (6) years or more of active experience in
 12 land surveying of a character satisfactory to the board and who shall have
 13 passed a written examination designed to show that he or she is qualified to
 14 practice land surveying may be granted a certificate of registration to
 15 practice land surveying in this state, provided that he or she is otherwise
 16 qualified.

17 (B) Each year of satisfactory work in an approved
 18 engineering or engineering technology curriculum majoring in surveying may be
 19 considered as one (1) year of experience in land surveying, but not exceeding
 20 two (2) years.

21 (b) Effective on January 1, 2017, an applicant for registration as a
 22 professional surveyor shall qualify under one (1) of the following
 23 provisions:

24 (1)(A) A graduate holding a baccalaureate degree from a
 25 curriculum of four (4) years or more who has completed at least thirty (30)
 26 semester credit hours or the equivalent, as approved by the board, in courses
 27 involving land surveying, mapping, and real property, as approved by the
 28 board, followed by three (3) years or more of experience in responsible
 29 charge of land surveying under the supervision of a professional surveyor and
 30 who has passed an examination for certification as a surveyor intern shall be
 31 admitted to sit for a written examination in a form approved by the board.

32 (B) An applicant who is otherwise qualified shall be
 33 granted registration as a professional surveyor upon passing the written
 34 examination; or

35 (2)(A) A graduate holding an associate of science degree in
 36 surveying or an associate of applied science in surveying degree from a

1 program approved by the board or its equivalent, as approved by the board,
2 followed by six (6) years or more of experience in responsible charge of land
3 surveying under the supervision of a professional surveyor, and who has
4 passed an examination for certification as a surveyor intern shall be
5 admitted to sit for a written examination in a form approved by the board.

6 (B) An applicant who is otherwise qualified shall be
7 granted registration as a professional surveyor upon passing the written
8 examination.

9 ~~(b)(c)~~ Any A person who shall show to the satisfaction of the board
10 that he or she is a person of good character shall be eligible for
11 registration as a surveyor intern, provided that he or she qualifies under
12 one (1) of the following provisions:

13 (1) A person holding a certificate of registration as a surveyor
14 intern issued to him or her on the basis of a written examination by proper
15 authority of a state, territory, possession of the United States, the
16 District of Columbia, or any foreign country, based on requirements and
17 qualifications as shown on his or her application, which requirements and
18 qualifications, in the opinion of the board, are equal to or higher than the
19 requirements of this chapter, may be registered as a surveyor intern at the
20 discretion of the board;

21 (2) A graduate from an approved engineering curriculum with
22 sufficient surveying courses, or any surveying technology curriculum of two
23 (2) years or more, approved by the board, who shall have passed a written
24 examination designed to show that he or she is proficient in surveying
25 fundamentals, may be registered, provided that he or she is otherwise
26 qualified; or

27 (3)(A) An applicant who cannot qualify under subdivision (b)(2)
28 of this section and who has four (4) years or more of active experience in
29 land surveying of a character satisfactory to the board and who shall have
30 passed a written examination designed to show that he or she is proficient in
31 surveying fundamentals may be registered, provided that he or she is
32 otherwise qualified.

33 (B) Each year of satisfactory work in an approved
34 engineering or engineering technology curriculum majoring in surveying may be
35 considered as one (1) year of experience in land surveying, but not exceeding
36 two (2) years.

1 (d) Effective January 1, 2017, an applicant for registration as a
2 surveyor intern shall qualify under one (1) of the following provisions:

3 (1)(A) A graduate holding a baccalaureate degree from a
4 curriculum of four (4) years or more who has completed at least thirty (30)
5 semester credit hours, or the equivalent approved by the board, in courses
6 involving land surveying, mapping, and real property as approved by the board
7 shall be admitted to sit for a written examination in a form approved by the
8 board.

9 (B) An applicant who is otherwise qualified shall be
10 granted registration as a surveyor intern upon passing the written
11 examination; or

12 (2)(A) A graduate holding an associate of science degree in
13 surveying or an associate of applied science in surveying degree from a
14 program approved by the board or its equivalent shall be admitted to sit for
15 a written examination in a form approved by the board.

16 (B) An applicant who is otherwise qualified shall be
17 granted registration as a surveyor intern upon passing the written
18 examination.

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