

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.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2009

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 445

4  
5 By: Senator J. Taylor  
6  
7

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8  
9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR  
10 REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES.  
12

## Subtitle

13  
14 CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR  
15 REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR.  
16  
17

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
19

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  
36 (2) years or more approved by the board, followed by at least two (2) years



1 of land surveying which must be surveying experience of a character  
2 satisfactory to the board, who shall have passed a written examination  
3 designed to show that he or she is qualified to practice land surveying in  
4 this state, may be registered, provided that he or she is otherwise  
5 qualified.

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

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

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

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

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

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

34 (2)(A) A graduate holding an associate of science degree in  
35 surveying or an associate of applied science in surveying degree from a  
36 program approved by the board or its equivalent, as approved by the board,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

36 (d) Effective January 1, 2017, an applicant for registration as a

1 surveyor intern shall qualify under one (1) of the following provisions:

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

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

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

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

18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29  
30  
31  
32  
33  
34  
35  
36