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SENATE BILL NO. 136

(By Mr. Amos.....)

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(By request of State Board of Engineers)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article thirteen, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to engineers and their qualifications for registration.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That section six, article thirteen, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 6. *Qualifications to Practice Professional Engineering.*—The following facts, established in the applica-

3 tion, shall be regarded as minimum evidence satisfactory  
4 to the board, that the applicant is qualified to practice as  
5 a professional engineer, to-wit:

6 (a) A specific record of eight or more years of active  
7 practice in engineering work of a character satisfactory to  
8 the board and indicating that the applicant is competent  
9 to be placed in responsible charge of such work; or,

10 (b) Graduation from a school or college approved by  
11 the board as of satisfactory standing, having a course in  
12 engineering of not less than four years; and a specific  
13 record of an additional four years of active practice in  
14 engineering work of a character satisfactory to the board,  
15 and indicating that the applicant is competent to be  
16 placed in responsible charge of such work.

17 *Provided*, That no person shall be eligible for registra-  
18 tion as a professional engineer who is not of good char-  
19 acter and repute.

20 In considering the qualifications of applicants, responsi-  
21 ble charge of engineering teaching may be construed as  
22 responsible charge of work. Graduation in engineering  
23 from a school of recognized standing shall be considered

24 as equivalent to four years of active practice and the sat-  
25 isfactory completion of each year of work in such school  
26 without graduation shall be considered as equivalent to a  
27 half year of active practice. Graduation in a course other  
28 than engineering from a college or university of recog-  
29 nized standing shall be considered as equivalent to two  
30 years of active practice, *Provided, however,* That no ap-  
31 plicant shall receive credit for more than four years of  
32 active practice because of educational qualifications.

33 In cases where the evidence presented in the application  
34 does not appear to the board to be conclusive or to war-  
35 rant the issuing of a certificate of registration, the appli-  
36 cant may be required to present further evidence for the  
37 consideration of the board, and may also be required to  
38 pass an oral or written examination, or both, as the board  
39 may determine.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

*[Signature]*  
Chairman Senate Committee

*[Signature]*  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect *90 days from* passage.

*[Signature]*  
Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

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Speaker House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *7* day of *March*, 1955.

*[Signature]*  
Governor.



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