

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 94—ASSEMBLYMEN SPIEGEL,
KIRKPATRICK AND CARRILLO

FEBRUARY 13, 2013

JOINT SPONSOR: SENATOR PARKS

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the examinations for licensure as a professional engineer or professional land surveyor. (BDR 54-618)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors; revising provisions relating to certain examinations conducted by the Board; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides that the examination for licensure as a professional engineer must consist of an 8-hour examination on the fundamentals of engineering and an 8-hour examination on the principles and practices of engineering. (NRS 625.193) **Section 1** of this bill eliminates the requirements that the two constituent examinations be 8 hours long.

Existing law also provides that the examination for licensure as a professional land surveyor must consist of an 8-hour examination on the fundamentals of land surveying and an 8-hour examination on the principles and practices of land surveying. (NRS 625.280) **Section 2** of this bill eliminates the requirements that the two constituent examinations be 8 hours long.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 625.193 is hereby amended to read as follows:
625.193 1. The examination for licensure as a professional
engineer must consist of:



(a) An ~~18-hour~~ examination on the fundamentals of engineering that must cover the subject matter of a general education or training in engineering. If the applicant for licensure as a professional engineer has graduated from an engineering curriculum that is approved by the Board and has 15 years or more of experience in engineering, the examination on the fundamentals of engineering may be waived by the Board.

(b) An ~~18-hour~~ examination on the principles and practices of engineering that must cover the discipline of engineering in which the applicant is applying for licensure.

2. An applicant for licensure as a professional engineer must pass the examination on the fundamentals of engineering or receive a waiver of that requirement before the applicant may take the examination on the principles and practices of engineering.

3. When determining the content of the examinations on the fundamentals of engineering and the principles and practices of engineering, the Board shall consider the recognized disciplines of engineering and may conform the examination to the particular qualifications of the applicant.

4. The Board may require additional examinations for licensure in specialized areas of practice within one or more recognized disciplines of engineering.

5. The Board may administer or authorize an accredited college or university that offers a program in engineering approved by the Board to administer the examination on the fundamentals of engineering to persons who are not applicants for licensure as professional engineers in this state.

6. The Board may prescribe or limit the use of notes, texts and reference materials by applicants who are taking the examinations.

7. The Board may require the examinations or any portion of the examinations set forth in this section to be completed:

(a) In writing, with a pen or pencil of a type that has been approved by the Board;

(b) With a computer that has been provided or approved by the Board; or

(c) Orally, in the manner prescribed by the Board.

Sec. 2. NRS 625.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

625.280 1. The examination for licensure as a professional land surveyor must consist of:

(a) An ~~18-hour~~ examination on the fundamentals of land surveying that must cover the subject matter of a general land-surveying education or training. If the applicant for licensure as a professional land surveyor has 15 years or more of experience in land surveying, the examination on the fundamentals of land surveying may be waived. For the purposes of determining the years



1 of experience of an applicant for licensure as a professional land
2 surveyor pursuant to this paragraph, the Board shall consider
3 graduation from a land-surveying curriculum that is approved by the
4 Board to be equivalent to 4 years of experience.

5 (b) An ~~18-hour~~ examination on the principles and practices of
6 land surveying.

7 2. An applicant for licensure as a professional land surveyor
8 must pass the examination on the fundamentals of land surveying or
9 receive a waiver of that requirement before the applicant may take
10 the examination on the principles and practices of land surveying.

11 3. The Board may administer or authorize an accredited college
12 or university that offers a program in land surveying approved by
13 the Board to administer the examination on the fundamentals of land
14 surveying to persons who are not applicants for licensure as
15 professional land surveyors in this state.

16 4. The Board may prescribe or limit the use of notes, texts and
17 reference materials by applicants who are taking the examinations.

18 5. The Board may require the examinations or any portion of
19 the examinations set forth in this section to be completed:

20 (a) In writing, with a pen or pencil of a type that has been
21 approved by the Board;

22 (b) With a computer that has been provided or approved by the
23 Board; or

24 (c) Orally, in the manner prescribed by the Board.

25 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

