

STATE OF NEW YORK

7149

IN SENATE

January 8, 2020

Introduced by Sen. STAVISKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the requirements for a license as a professional engineer; and to repeal certain provisions of such law relating thereto

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraphs 2 and 8 of subdivision 1 of section 7206 of the
2 education law, paragraph 2 as added by chapter 987 of the laws of 1971
3 and paragraph 8 as amended by chapter 62 of the laws of 1989, are
4 amended to read as follows:

5 (2) Education: have received an education, including a bachelor's or
6 higher degree based on a program in engineering or the substantial
7 equivalent, in accordance with the commissioner's regulations;

8 (8) Fees: pay a fee [~~of two hundred twenty dollars to the department~~
9 ~~for admission to a department conducted examination and for an initial~~
10 ~~license, a fee of one hundred fifteen dollars for each reexamination, a~~
11 ~~fee] of one hundred thirty-five dollars for an initial license [~~for~~
12 ~~persons not requiring admission to a department conducted examination,~~
13 and a fee of two hundred ten dollars for each triennial registration
14 period.~~

15 § 2. Subdivision 2 of section 7206 of the education law is REPEALED
16 and subdivisions 3 and 4 are renumbered subdivisions 2 and 3.

17 § 3. Subdivision 2 of section 7206 of the education law, as amended by
18 chapter 62 of the laws of 1989 and as renumbered by section two of this
19 act, is amended to read as follows:

20 2. For an identification card as an [~~"intern engineer"~~] "engineer in
21 training", an applicant shall fulfill the requirements of paragraphs
22 one, two, four and seven of subdivision one of this section [~~, except~~
23 ~~those in subparagraphs (3) and (5), provided that admission to the exam-~~
24 ~~ination may be given when the applicant is within twenty credits of the~~
25 ~~completion of the requirements for the bachelor's or higher degree as~~
26 ~~prescribed in subparagraph (2) of subdivision one, or has completed the~~
27 ~~practical experience requirement of subdivision two of this section].~~

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 The fee for examination and identification card as an [~~"intern engineer"~~
2 ~~shall be seventy dollars and the fee for each reexamination~~] "engineer
3 in training" shall be seventy dollars.

4 § 4. Subdivision 3 of section 7206 of the education law, as added by
5 chapter 987 of the laws of 1971 and as renumbered by section two of this
6 act, is amended to read as follows:

7 3. On recommendation of the board, the department may waive specific
8 requirements, except as to age, character[~~, education~~] and citizenship,
9 in the case of applicants who are possessed of established and recog-
10 nized standing in the engineering profession and who have practiced
11 lawfully for more than fifteen years.

12 § 5. Section 7206 of the education law is amended by adding a new
13 subdivision 4 to read as follows:

14 4. Applicants who file with the department within two years of the
15 effective date of this subdivision an application and fee requirements
16 pursuant to paragraphs one and eight of subdivision one of this section
17 and who, at such time or anytime thereafter, demonstrate to the satis-
18 faction of the department that they have twelve years of practical expe-
19 rience in work satisfactory to the board may substitute such experience
20 for the degree and experience requirements specified in paragraphs two
21 and three of subdivision one of this section, provided that each full
22 year of study in engineering satisfactory to the department may at the
23 discretion of the board be accepted in lieu of up to two years of the
24 required twelve years of experience.

25 § 6. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
26 it shall have become a law and shall apply to applications for licensure
27 as a professional engineer received on or after such effective date.
28 Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule
29 or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effec-
30 tive date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such
31 effective date.