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TITLE: CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF THE STATE BOARD FOR LICENSURE OF ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 2012 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015*		
State Revenue Cash Funds Division of Professions and Occupations Cash Fund		\$1,237,300		
State Expenditures Cash Funds Division of Professions and Occupations Cash Fund		\$1,002,300		
FTE Position Change		3.7 FTE		
Effective Date: July 1, 2013.				
Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: None required.				
Local Government Impact: None.				

*Fees collected represent a 2-year license.

Summary of Legislation

This bill continues the activities of the State Board of Licensure for Architects, Professional Engineers, and Professional Land Surveyors in the Division of Professions and Occupations in the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) until September 1, 2024, and implements the recommendations in the DORA's 2012 sunset review. Among its many provisions, this bill:

- allows professional engineers and land surveyors licensed in other states to advertise in the state and to practice after obtaining a valid state license;
- requires architects to report civil malpractice claims to the board and aligns language for all three professions;
- amends the disclaimer in the improvement location certificate;
- requires licensees to update contact information with the division within 30 days of a change; and
- reconciles the fining provision among the three practice acts.

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Fiscal Impact of Programs Set to Expire

This bill continues a program in the Division of Professions and Occupations (division) that is set to repeal, effective July 1, 2013. Under current law, state agencies may be appropriated funds to wind up the affairs of an expiring program for 12 months following the repeal date. To account for the wind-up period, the impact of extending the program beyond the current repeal date is shown as beginning in FY 2014-15, one year after the repeal date. There is no need for an appropriation of the division's base funding in FY 2013-14, since the program's authorization has not yet expired, and ongoing funding for the program is included in the division's base budget request for FY 2013-14.

State Revenue and Expenditures

The state revenue and state expenditures impact for FY 2014-15 reflect the program's anticipated fee revenue and base budget expenditures beginning that year. There are no increased expenses to implement this bill. The DORA's request for the regulation of architects, professional engineers and professional land surveyors in FY 2014-15 is \$1,002,299 and 3.7 FTE. The estimated fee revenue is \$1,237,300.

Departments Contacted

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