

SB 39 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Business and General Government

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Replaces exemption for specified persons from laws regulating practice of engineers, land surveyors, and photogrammetrists with exemptions from registration requirement. Removes requirement for exempt employee or subordinate of registered professional engineer to not purport to be an engineer or registered professional engineer. Rearranges exemption provisions.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for change to ensure clarity

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Current statute prohibits the practice of engineering, land surveying, and photogrammetric mapping without registration. Specified people and practices are exempt from the laws regulating the practice of engineers, land surveyors, and photogrammetrists. Examples include registered architects acting within the scope of their profession and property owners performing land surveying on their own property.

The measure replaces the exemption from all applicable statutes with an exemption from the registration requirement. The agency believes that the revisions are necessary to ensure clarity and avoid unintended consequences.