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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Board of Licensure for Professional

Control 330 Department or Agency Engineers & Land Surveyors

Rule No. 330-X-4, Appendix A

Rule Title: Fees

         New;   X   Amend;          Repeal;          Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm  
or endanger the public health, safety, or welfare?         No        

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police  
power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare?         Yes        

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available  
that could adequately protect the public?         No        

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly  
increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if  
so, to what degree?         Yes        

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than  
the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule?         No        

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the  
purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the  
protection of the public?         Yes        

Does the proposed rule have any economic impact?         Yes        

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by  
a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama  
1975.

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Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of  
Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama, 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing  
requirements of the Administrative Procedures Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer Regina Dinger  
Date 5/20/2015

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT  
FOR APA RULE  
(Section 41-22-23(f))

Control No. 330 Department or Agency Board of Licensure for Professional  
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  XX   This rule has an economic impact, as explained below:

1. NEED/EXPECTED BENEFIT OF RULE:

The Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors is statutorily required to operate as a self sustaining Board and relies on examination fees and licensure fees for revenue to provide for the operation of the Board. The Board desires to convert from annual renewals to biennial renewals and to delete the requirement for interns and those licensees in retired status from having to renew. The amount

2. COSTS/BENEFITS OF RULE AND WHY RULE IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, AND FEASIBLE MEANS FOR ALLOCATING RESOURCES AND ACHIEVEING THE STATED PURPOSE:

Renewal increase of \$55 reflects a doubling of the annual renewal plus a small increase to offset the loss of other revenues. The Licensure Fee increase is due to the fact that a license will now be issued for a maximum of 2 years instead of 1. The reinstatement fee structure was changed to reflect the biennial renewal conversion. The changes enable the Board to remain self-sufficient without tax dollars or General Fund monies and avoids a budgeting crisis.

The Board is setting the intern and retiree renewal fees at \$0 until the requirement for renewals of those categories can be deleted from its licensure law.

3. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON COMPETITION:

None

4. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON COST-OF-LIVING AND DOING BUSINESS IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA WHERE THE RULE IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED:

Impact will be the same state wide and has an inconsequential impact on the costs of living and doing business.

5. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON EMPLOYMENT IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA WHERE THE RULE IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED:

The licensees have requested the conversion to biennial renewal to assist them with their internal record keeping. We are one of six comparable licensing boards throughout the U.S. that are still on an annual renewal cycle. The vast majority of licensing boards previously converted to 2 and 3 year renewal cycles. The licensees like it and the board sees a workload and expense decrease.

6. SOURCE OF REVENUE TO BE USED FOR IMPLEMENTING AND ENFORCING THIS RULE:

No additional costs involved to implement.

7. THE SHORT-TERM/LONG-TERM ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THIS RULE ON AFFECTED PERSONS, INCLUDING ANALYSIS OF PERSONS WHO WILL BEAR THE COSTS AND THOSE WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE RULE:

Licensees will bear the costs through modest increase in the licensure and renewal fees. Licensees will benefit by having to renew every 2 years instead of every year. The staff will benefit by not having the costs associated with and the workload involved in renewing 18,000+ licensees every year. Licensees and consumers will benefit from the Board being able to maintain the same level of needed staffing and services.

8. UNCERTAINTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ESTIMATED BENEFITS AND BURDEN OF THE RULE, INCLUDING QUALITATIVE/QUANTITATIVE BENEFITS AND BURDEN COMPARISON:

The number of licensees renewing remain somewhat constant. The decrease in revenue by not requiring the retired licensees to renew is a small fraction of the recognized revenue. The associated costs of requiring the interns and retirees to renew was larger than the revenue received. The Board is anticipating that everyone will be on the same renewal cycle requiring the staff to budget for a 2-year cycle since the majority of revenue recognized is from the renewals. The majority of monies received will be at the beginning of the 2-year cycle while expenses will be for two fiscal years.

9. THE EFFECT ON THIS RULE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH:

None

10. DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH IF THE RULE IS NOT IMPLEMENTED:

None

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

**RULE NO. & TITLE:** 330-X-4, Appendix A - Fees.

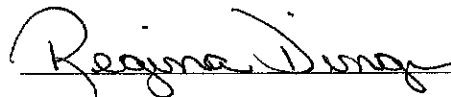
**INTENDED ACTION:** Amend

**SUBSTANCE OF AMENDMENT:** The Board proposes to amend the fee structure in order to convert to biennial renewal cycle. The amendment deletes the fee for intern renewal/reinstatement and the fee for maintaining a license in retired status. Licensure fees and renewal fees are increased since the license will now be valid for two years instead of one. The reinstatement fees are changed to reflect the change in the renewal cycle.

**TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:** A public hearing will be held only if requested by an interested party. A written request should be submitted to the agency contact person listed below. Interested persons may present their views in writing to the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, 100 N. Union Street, Suite 382, Post Office Box 304451, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-4451.

**FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:** Written comments concerning these changes must be received by the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors no later than July 14, 2015.

**CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:** Regina A. Dinger, Executive Director; Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors; P.O. Box 304451, Montgomery, AL 36130-4451; (334) 242-5568.



Regina A. Dinger, Executive Director  
Alabama State Board of Licensure for  
Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

**BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS**

**APPENDIX A  
CHAPTER 330-X-4  
FEES**

**Application Fees**

Engineer Intern/Land Surveyor Intern	\$15
Professional Engineer/Professional Land Surveyor	\$50
Certificate of Authorization	\$80

**Exam & Re-Exam Fees**

Alabama Land Surveying Standards, History and Law	\$100
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**Licensure Fees**

Professional Engineer/Professional Land Surveyor	\$25 <u>75</u>
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**Renewal Fees**

Engineer Intern/Land Surveyor Interns	\$5 <u>0</u>
Late Fee	\$10 <u>0</u>
Professional Engineer/Professional Land Surveyor	\$45 <u>100</u>
Certificate of Authorization	\$80
Professional Engineer/Professional Land Surveyor - Retired and over 65	\$10 <u>0</u>
Reactivation fee during the same year for retirees who paid \$10 renewal	\$35 <u>100</u>

**Reinstatement Fees for Lapsed License**

Professional Engineer/Professional Land Surveyor Reinstatement	
0-4 <u>2</u> year years	\$250 + 45 <u>100</u>
1-2 years	\$300 + 45
2-3 <u>4</u> years	\$350 + 45 <u>100</u>
3-4 years	\$400 + 45

For those licensees who were in retired status the previous renewal period and are seeking to renew in retired status:

0-1 year	\$60 + renewal fee
1-2 years	\$100 + renewal fee
2-3 years	\$150 + renewal fee
3-4 years	\$200 + renewal fee

CA Reinstatement

0-1 year	\$250 + 80
1-2 years	\$350 + 80

**Other Fees**

Roster	\$15
Copy charges per sheet	\$.25
Certificate replacement	\$25
Bad Check	\$30

**Mailing Labels**

Electronic Version	\$75
1,000 Labels (min amt)	\$75
2,000 Labels	\$106
3,000 Labels	\$137
4,000 Labels	\$168
5,000 Labels	\$197
10,000 Labels +	\$359

Author: Board

Statutory Authority: Section 34-11-4; Section 34-11-5; Section 34-11-6; Section 34-11-8; Section 34-11-35; Section 8-8-15, Code of Alabama 1975

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