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Present law provides relative to the regulation of engineers and land surveyors.

<u>Present law</u> provides for definitions. <u>Proposed law</u> adds the term "dual licensee" and defines it to mean any person practicing or seeking to practice both engineering and land surveying in the state who has a received both licenses from the board and is otherwise in good standing with the board.

Present law provides for members of the board and removal of board members.

Proposed law retains present law.

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<u>Present law</u> provides for licensure requirements of a professional engineer as follows:

- (1) An engineer intern who has met the requirements for progressive engineering experience in work acceptable to the board, who is of good character and reputation, who has passed the required examinations, and who has satisfied the application and submits the required fee.
- (2) An individual who holds a valid license to engage in the practice of engineering issued to him by another state, based on requirements that do not conflict with the provisions of La. law, and which were of a standard not lower than that specified in the applicable licensure laws in effect in La. at the time the license was issued, who is of good character and reputation, and who has satisfied the application requirements, and if the state, territory, or possession, or the District of Columbia, in which he is licenced will accept the license issued by the board on a reciprocal basis.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that a professional engineer shall be a graduate of a board approved engineering curriculum, who has 20 years or more of progressive engineering experience in work acceptable to the board, who is of good character and reputation, who has passed the examinations required by the board, and who has satisfied the requirements of application requirements.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the licensure requirements of a professional naval architect or marine engineer.

Proposed law removes provisions of present law.

Present law provides relative to examinations for licensure.

Proposed law authorizes the board to require an individual who failed an examination to appear

before the board for an oral interview.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the board to adopt rules concerning eligibility for licensure of an individual who has failed an examination seven or more times.

<u>Present law</u> grants disciplinary and enforcement action to the board for certain acts and offenses committed by an officer, director, manager, employee, agent, or representative of a firm.

 $\underline{Proposed\ law}\ retains\ \underline{present\ law}\ and\ adds\ acts\ and\ offenses\ subject\ to\ disciplinary\ and\ enforcement\ actions\ by\ the\ board.$

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(Amends R.S. 37:682(4)-(15), 683(A), (B)(1), (2), and (3), and (C), 684, 686, 693(A) and (B), 695, 698(C), 700(C); adds R.S. 37:682(16))