

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law provides for the regulation and licensure of contractors by the La. State Licensing Board for Contractors (board).

Existing law provides for definitions.

New law retains existing law definitions and defines "environmental well or hole" as a specialized boring that includes but is not limited to observation, monitor, piezometer, recovery, horizontal boring, cathodic protection, or geotechnical boreholes for the purposes of environmental assessment, sampling, or analyzation. Defines "water well drilling" to mean drilling for the purposes of extracting ground water which includes but is not limited to the drilling, construction, maintenance, repair, abandoning, plugging, or sealing water wells for potable and nonpotable water.

New law requires that the appropriate license classification be held by any person who advertises, solicits, undertakes, attempts, offers, or submits a price, bid, quote, or estimate to construct, supervise, direct, oversee, or perform any construction, modification, repair, or maintenance of any portion of a water well, environmental well or hole.

New law requires a water well contractor or environmental well or hole contractor to pass the appropriate examination, be registered with the State Licensing Board for Contractors, be registered and in good standing with the Dept. of Conservation and Energy, and meet all other licensure requirements of a contractor.

New law requires a water well contractor or environmental well or hole contractors to complete five hours of continuing education annually from a provider approved by the board and maintain well registration with the Dept. of Conservation and Energy.

Effective July 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 37:2150.1(25) and (26) and 2156.5)