## DIGEST

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Greene HB No. 272

**Abstract:** Provides for application fees for the licensure of geoscientists and allows fees for renewal of licenses.

<u>Present law</u> provides for licensure of professional geoscientists and geoscientists-in-training under the La. Professional Geoscience Practice Act.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires the payment of an application fee for licensure established at the discretion of the board, not to exceed \$200. Prohibits the board from increasing the application fee by more than \$30 in a three-year period. <u>Proposed law</u> further requires the payment of a licensure renewal fee established by the board, not to exceed \$150. Prohibits the board from increasing the renewal fee by more than \$20 in any one-year period. Allows for the establishment of a maximum late renewal fee not to exceed three times the normal renewal fee.

(Amends R.S. 37:711.20(A); Adds R.S. 37:711.13(D) and 711.20(C))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Commerce</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

- 1. Allowed for the licensure renewal fee not to exceed \$150 instead of \$100.
- 2. Specified that the renewal is annual and not biennial.