

1 AN ACT concerning professional regulation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Professional Engineering Practice Act of  
5 1989 is amended by adding Section 17.6 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 325/17.6 new)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

8 Sec. 17.6. Emeritus status requirements.

9 (a) An Illinois licensee who has been licensed for at  
10 least 10 consecutive years, is 65 years of age or older, and  
11 is retired from active practice may request emeritus status  
12 by filing the request on forms prescribed by the Department  
13 and paying a nonrefundable fee as established by rule. If  
14 the requirements of this Section have been met, all fees for  
15 the biennial license renewal shall be waived by the  
16 Department during the period the professional engineer is in  
17 emeritus status. An engineer with emeritus status may  
18 maintain the title "professional engineer".

19 (b) An emeritus professional engineer may be readmitted  
20 to active practice within 3 years of acquiring emeritus  
21 status upon payment of the current renewal fee.

22 (c) An emeritus professional engineer who has held  
23 emeritus status in excess of 3 consecutive years may be  
24 readmitted to active practice only after filing an  
25 application on forms supplied by the Department, payment of  
26 the applicable fees, and completion of the current  
27 examination in the principles and practice of engineering or  
28 by appearing before the Board to satisfactorily demonstrate  
29 his or her qualifications to resume active practice.

30 (d) An emeritus professional engineer seeking  
31 readmission to active practice shall be required to meet

1 continuing education requirements, as provided by Section  
2 17.5 of this Act.

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
4 becoming law.