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State Legislature House of Representatives

House Concurrent Resolution Number 2
of the 1998 First Extraordinary Session
by Representative Riddle

Professional Engineers and Land
Surveyors Seals (LAC 46:LXI.1701)

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to amend the Department of Transportation and Development Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors rule (LAC 46:LXI.1701.B), to provide for when the use of seals and signatures of engineers or land surveyors is required for sewage or water facility projects, and in-kind replacement of facilities.

WHEREAS, LAC 46:LXI.1701.B provides that engineers and land surveyors are not required to affix their seal, signature, or date on any sewage facility or water facility project or in-kind replacement of water or sewage facilities in which the estimated project cost does not exceed five thousand dollars, as calculated by agency engineers reviewing the project, or for any project for the construction of individual/private water wells; and

WHEREAS, many small towns are burdened with the expense of hiring engineers for sewage or water facility projects which cost more than five thousand dollars but affect less than three thousand gallons of water or sewage per day; and

WHEREAS, it would be more efficient and less cost prohibitive for many small towns to comply with the Department of Transportation and Development Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors rule if the criterion for the requirement of an engineer or land surveyor's seal, signature, and date was changed from projects with estimated costs which exceed five thousand dollars to projects which affect more than three thousand gallons of water or sewage per day; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 49:969 provides that "the legislature, by Concurrent Resolution, may suspend, amend, or repeal any rule or regulation or body of rules or regulations, or any fee or any increase, decrease, or repeal of any fee, adopted by a state department, agency, board, or commission."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of Louisiana that LAC 46:LXI.1701.B is hereby amended to provide that engineers and land surveyors are not required to affix their seal, signature, or date on any sewage or water facility projects, or in-kind replacement of water or sewage facilities in which the estimated number of gallons of sewage or water affected does not exceed three thousand per day, as calculated by agency engineers reviewing the project, and to delete the criterion regarding the cost of such projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the office of the Louisiana Register, which shall make the necessary changes in the Administrative Code, and to the Department of Transportation and Development.

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