

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 713  
by Representative Gadberry

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, delete "711.2(14)" and insert in lieu thereof "711.2(4), (12), and (14)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 3, after "surveying" insert "and the practice of engineering"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 3

6 On page 1, line 3, before "definitions" insert "the" and after "definitions" insert "of the  
7 practice of land surveying, engineer, and the practice of engineering"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 4

9 On page 1, line 4, after "clause;" and before "and" insert "to provide for the practice of  
10 geoscience;"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 5

12 On page 1, line 6, delete "711.2(14)" and insert in lieu thereof "711.2(4), (12), and (14)"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 6

14 On page 4, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

15 ~~"(4) "Engineer" or "professional engineer" means an individual who, by~~  
16 ~~reason of his special knowledge and ability to apply the mathematical, physical, and~~  
17 ~~engineering sciences and the principles and methods of engineering analysis and~~  
18 ~~design, acquired by an engineering education and engineering experience, is~~  
19 ~~qualified to practice engineering, as evidenced by his licensure as such by the~~  
20 ~~Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board, as set forth in~~  
21 ~~Chapter 8 of this Title. has the same meaning as provided for in R.S. 37:682.~~  
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23 ~~(12)(a) "Practice of engineering" means responsible professional service~~  
24 ~~which may include consultation, investigation, evaluation, planning, designing, or~~  
25 ~~inspection of construction in connection with any public or private utilities,~~  
26 ~~structures, machines, equipment, processes, works, or projects wherein the public~~  
27 ~~welfare or the safeguarding of life, health, and property is concerned or involved,~~  
28 ~~when such professional service requires the application of engineering principles and~~  
29 ~~the interpretation of engineering data.~~

30 ~~(b) A person shall be construed to practice or offer to practice engineering~~  
31 ~~who practices in any discipline of the profession of engineering, or who, by verbal~~  
32 ~~claim, sign, advertisement, letterhead, card, or in any other way represents himself~~  
33 ~~to be a professional engineer, or who represents himself as able to perform, or who~~  
34 ~~does perform any engineering service or work or any other professional service~~  
35 ~~designated by the practitioner or recognized by educational authorities as~~  
36 ~~engineering. The practice of engineering shall not include the work ordinarily~~  
37 ~~performed by a person who himself operates or maintains machinery or equipment.~~  
38 ~~has the same meaning as provided for in R.S. 37:682.~~  
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