2024 Regular Session

ACT No. 475

HOUSE BILL NO. 620

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 37:711.13(A), (B), and (D) and 711.20(A), to enact R.S.
3	37:711.13(E) and (F), and to repeal R.S. 37:711.20(C), relative to geoscientist
4	license fees; to provide for applications for licensure; to provide for fees for
5	professional geoscientists; to provide for fees for geoscientists-in-training; to provide
6	for the expiration and renewal of licensure; and to provide for related matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 37:711.13(A), (B), and (D) and 711.20(A) are hereby amended and
9	reenacted and R.S. 37:711.13(E) and (F) are hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§711.13. Application for licensure or certification; fees
11	A. Application for licensure as a professional geoscientist shall be on forms
12	prescribed and furnished by the board, shall show the applicant's education and a
13	detailed summary of his technical work, and shall contain such references prescribed
14	by the board. Forms provided by the board for application shall contain the
15	explanation for fees listed in Subsections E and F of this Section.
16	B. Application for certification as a geoscientist-in-training shall be on forms
17	prescribed and furnished by the board, shall show the applicant's education and a
18	detailed summary of his technical work, if any, and shall contain such references
19	prescribed by the board. Forms provided by the board for application shall contain
20	the explanation for fees listed in Subsections E and F of this Section.
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22	D.(1) An application fee for professional geoscientists or geoscientists-in-
23	training shall be established at the discretion of the board but shall not exceed two

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hundred dollars and shall not be increased by the board by more than thirty dollars in any three-year period.

(2) The application fee shall accompany the application. If the board denies the issuance of a license or certification to any applicant, the application fee shall be retained by the board. An unsuccessful applicant shall pay the prescribed fee for each subsequent application.

E. The fees for professional geoscientists are as follows:

8		<u>Fee</u>
9	(1) Application/initial licensing fee	<u>\$250</u>
10	(2) Annual license renewal	<u>\$200</u>
11	(3) Annual license renewal for	
12	licensees sixty years or older	<u>\$125</u>
13	(4) Late renewal penalty	<u>\$100</u>
14	(5) Temporary license (ninety days)	<u>\$250</u>
15	(6) Duplicate wall license certificate	<u>\$35</u>
16	(7) Affidavit of licensure	<u>\$25</u>
17	(8) Verification of licensure	<u>\$25</u>
18	(9) Insufficient funds fee	<u>\$35</u>
19	F. The fees for geoscientists-in-training are as follows:	ows:
20		<u>Fee</u>
21	(1) Application/first year certification fee	<u>\$125</u>
22	(2) Annual renewal fee	<u>\$100</u>
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§711.20. Expiration and renewals; fees

A. Licensure and certification shall expire at a time specified by the board and shall become invalid after that date unless renewed. It shall be the duty of the executive secretary of the board to notify by letter to his last known address each licensee and certificate holder of the date of the expiration of the license or certificate and the requirements for its renewal. The notice shall be mailed at least one month in advance of the expiration of such license or certificate. Renewal of

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1	licensure as a professional geoscientist or geoscientist-in-training may be effected
2	at any time during the two months prior to expiration by the payment of a fee. not to
3	exceed one hundred fifty dollars per year at the discretion of the board. The board
1	shall not increase the renewal fee by more than twenty dollars in any one-year
5	period.
6	* * *
7	Section 2. R.S. 37:711.20(C) is hereby repealed in its entirety.
	SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
	GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: