the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 126. [Senate Bill No. 241.]

ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS—BARBERS—BEAUTICIANS—DISPOSITION OF FEES.

AN ACT relating to state government and providing for the disposition of revenue of certain professional boards and commissions; amending section 11, chapter 283, Laws of 1947 as last amended by section 3, chapter 142, Laws of 1961, and RCW 18.43.080; amending section 16, chapter 283, Laws of 1947 as last amended by section 5, chapter 142, Laws of 1961, and RCW 18.43.130; adding a new section to chapter 18.43 RCW; and repealing section 15, chapter 101, Laws of 1957 and RCW 18.15.170 and section 5, chapter 168, Laws of 1953 and RCW 18.18.280.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

RCW 18.43.080 amended.

Section 1. Section 11, chapter 283, Laws of 1947 as last amended by section 3, chapter 142, Laws of 1961, and RCW 18.43.080 are each amended to read as follows:

Engineers and land surveyors. Expiration and renewals of certificates— Fees. Certificates of registration, and certificates of authorization and renewals thereof shall expire on the last day of the month of December following their issuance or renewal and shall become invalid on that date unless renewed. It shall be the duty of the administrator of the division of professional licensing to notify every person, firm or corporation registered under this chapter, of the date of the expiration of his certificate and the amount of the renewal fee that shall be required for its re-

newal for one year. Such notice shall be mailed at least thirty days before the end of December of each year. Renewal may be effected during the month of December by the payment of a fee of seven dollars and fifty cents for professional engineer, professional engineer and land surveyor, and seven dollars and fifty cents for land surveyor. In case any professional engineer and/or land surveyor registered under this chapter shall fail to pay the renewal fee hereinabove provided for, within ninety days from the date when the same shall become due, the renewal fee shall be the current fee plus an amount equal to one year's fee.

SEC. 2. Section 16, chapter 283, Laws of 1947 as RCW 18.43.130 last amended by section 5, chapter 142, Laws of 1961, and RCW 18.43.130 are each amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall not be construed to prevent Excepted services—Fees. or affect:

- (1) The practice of any other legally recognized profession or trade; or
- (2) The practice of a person not a resident and having no established place of business in this state. practicing or offering to practice herein the profession of engineering or land surveying, when such practice does not exceed in the aggregate more than thirty days in any calendar year: Provided, Such person is legally qualified by registration to practice the said profession in his own state or country in which the requirements and qualifications for obtaining a certificate of registration are not lower than those specified in this chapter; or
- (3) The practice of a person not a resident and having no established place of business in this state, or who has recently become a resident thereof, practicing or offering to practice herein for more than thirty days in any calendar year the profession of engineering or land surveying, if he shall have filed

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with the board an application for a certificate of registration and shall have paid the fee required by this chapter: *Provided*, That such person is legally qualified by registration to practice engineering or land surveying in his own state or country in which the requirements and qualifications of obtaining a certificate of registration are not lower than those specified in this chapter. Such practice shall continue only for such time as the board requires for the consideration of the application for registration; or

- (4) The work of an employee or a subordinate of a person holding a certificate of registration under this chapter, or an employee of a person practicing lawfully under provisions of this section: *Provided*, Such work does not include final design or decisions and is done under the direct responsibility, checking and supervision of a person holding a certificate of registration under this chapter or a person practicing lawfully under the provisions of this section; or
- (5) The work of a person rendering engineering or land surveying services to a corporation, as an employee of such corporation, when such services are rendered in carrying on the general business of the corporation and such general business does not consist, either wholly or in part, of the rendering of engineering services to the general public: *Provided*, That such corporation employs at least one person holding a certificate of registration under this chapter or practicing lawfully under the provisions of this chapter; or
- (6) The practice of officers or employees of the government of the United States while engaged within the state in the practice of the profession of engineering or land surveying for said government; or

- (7) Nonresident engineers employed for the purpose of making engineering examinations; or
- (8) The practice of engineering in this state by a corporation or joint stock association: *Provided*, That
- (a) Such corporation shall file with the board an application for certificate of authorization upon a form to be prescribed by the board and containing information required to enable the board to determine whether such corporation is qualified in accordance with the provisions of this chapter to practice engineering in this state;
- (b) Such corporation shall file with the board a certified copy of a resolution of the board of directors of the corporation which shall designate a person holding a certificate of registration under this chapter as responsible for the practice of engineering by said corporation in this state and shall provide that full authority to make all final engineering decisions on behalf of said corporation with respect to work performed by the corporation in this state shall be granted and delegated by the board of directors to the person so designated in said resolution: *Provided*, That the filing of such resolution shall not relieve the corporation of any responsibility or liability imposed upon it by law or by contract;
- (c) Such corporation shall file with the board a designation in writing setting forth the name or names of a person or persons holding certificates of registration under this chapter who shall be in responsible charge of each project and each major branch of the engineering activities in which the corporation shall specialize in this state. In the event there shall be a change in the person or persons in responsible charge of any project or major branch of the engineering activities, such changes shall be designated in writing and filed with the board within thirty days after the effective date of such changes;

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- (d) Upon the filing with the board of the application for certificate for authorization, certified copy of resolution, affidavit and designation of persons specified in subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this section the board shall issue to such corporation a certificate of authorization to practice engineering in this state upon a determination by the board (1) that:
- (i) The bylaws of the corporation contain provisions that all engineering decisions pertaining to any project or engineering activities in this state shall be made by the specified engineer in responsible charge, or other responsible engineers under his direction or supervision;
- (ii) The application for certificate of authorization states the type, or types, of engineering practiced, or to be practiced by such corporation;
- (iii) A current certified financial statement accurately reflecting the financial condition of the corporation has been filed with the board and is available for public inspection;
- (iv) The applicant corporation has the ability to provide through qualified engineering personnel, professional services or creative work requiring engineering experience, and that with respect to the engineering services which the corporation undertakes or offers to undertake such personnel have the ability to apply special knowledge of the mathematical, physical, and engineering sciences to such professional services or creative work as consultation, investigation, evaluation, planning, design and supervision of construction for the purpose of assuring compliance with specifications and design, in connection with any public or private utilities, structures, buildings, machines, equipment, processes, works or projects;
- (v) The application for certificate of authorization states the professional records of the designated

person or persons who shall be in responsible charge of each project and each major branch of engineering activities in which the corporation shall specialize;

- (vi) The application for certificate of authorization states the experience of the corporation, if any, in furnishing engineering services during the preceding five year period and states the experience of the corporation, if any, in the furnishing of all feasibility and advisory studies made within the state of Washington;
- (vii) The applicant corporation meets such other requirements related to professional competence in the furnishing of engineering services as may be established and promulgated by the board in furtherance of the objectives and provisions of this chapter; and
- (2) Upon a determination by the board based upon an evaluation of the foregoing findings and information that the applicant corporation is possessed of the ability and competence to furnish engineering services in the public interest.

The board may in the exercise of its discretion refuse to issue or may suspend and/or revoke a certificate of authorization to a corporation where the board shall find that any of the officers, directors, incorporators, or the stockholders holding a majority of stock of such corporation has committed misconduct or malpractice as defined in RCW 18.43.105 or has been found personally responsible for misconduct or malpractice under the provisions of subsections (f) and (g) hereof.

The certificate of authorization shall specify the major branches of engineering of which the corporation has designated a person or persons in responsible charge as provided in subsection (8) (c) of this section.

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- (e) In the event a corporation, organized solely by a group of engineers, each holding a certificate of registration under this chapter, applies for a certificate of authorization, the board may, in its discretion, grant a certificate of authorization to such corporation based on a review of the professional records of such incorporators, in lieu of the required qualifications set forth in this subsection. In the event the ownership of such corporation shall be altered, the corporation shall apply for a revised certificate of authorization, based upon the professional records of the owners, if exclusively engineers or, otherwise, under the qualifications required by subparagraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) hereof.
- (f) Any corporation authorized to practice engineering under this chapter, together with its directors and officers for their own individual acts, are responsible to the same degree as an individual registered engineer, and must conduct its business without misconduct or malpractice in the practice of engineering as defined in this chapter.
- (g) Any corporation which has been duly certified under the provisions of this chapter and has engaged in the practice of engineering shall have its certificate of authorization either suspended or revoked by the board if, after a proper hearing, the board shall find that the corporation has committed misconduct or malpractice as defined in RCW 18.43-.105. In such case any individual engineer holding a certificate of registration under this chapter, involved in such malpractice or misconduct, shall have his certificate of registration suspended or revoked also.
- (h) All plans, specifications, designs and reports when issued in connection with work performed by a corporation under its certificate of authorization shall be prepared by or under the responsible charge of and shall be signed by and shall be stamped with

the official seal of a person holding a certificate of registration under this chapter.

- (i) For each certificate of authorization issued under the provisions of this subsection (8) of this section there shall be paid an initial fee of five hundred dollars and an annual renewal fee of one hundred dollars.
- (9) The practice of engineering and/or land surveying in this state by partnership: *Provided*, That
- (a) A majority of the members of the partnership are engineers or architects or land surveyors duly certificated by the state of Washington or by a state, territory, possession, district or foreign country meeting the reciprocal provisions of RCW 18-43.100: *Provided*, That at least one of the members is a professional engineer or land surveyor holding a certificate issued by the director of licenses under the provisions of RCW 18.43.070; and
- (b) Except where all members of the partnership are professional engineers or land surveyors or a combination of professional engineers and land surveyors or where all members of the partnership are either professional engineers or land surveyors in combination with an architect or architects all of which are holding certificates of qualification therefor issued under the laws of the state of Washington, the partnership shall file with the board an instrument executed by a partner on behalf of the partnership designating the persons responsible for the practice of engineering by the partnership in this state and in all other respects such person so designated and such partnership shall meet the same qualifications and shall be subject to the same requirements and the same penalties as those pertaining to corporations and to the responsible persons designated by corporations as provided in subsection (8) of this section.

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New section.

SEC. 3. There is added to chapter 18.43 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Fees, disposition of—
Professional
engineers'
account
established.

All fees collected under the provisions of RCW 18.43.050, 18.43.080 and 18.43.130 shall be divided and twenty percent paid into the state general fund and eighty percent paid into the professional engineers' account of the state general fund, which account is hereby established to be used to carry out the purposes and provisions of RCW 18.43.050, 18.43.060, 18.43.080, 18.43.100, 18.43.110, 18.43.120, 18.43.130, 18.43.140 and all other duties required for operation and enforcement of this chapter.

Repeal.

- SEC. 4. The following acts or parts of acts are hereby repealed:
- (1) Section 15, chapter 101, Laws of 1957 and RCW 18.15.170;
- (2) Section 5, chapter 168, Laws of 1953 and RCW 18.18.280.

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