

BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 584
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Committee Report (Substituted)

DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, the Professional Land Surveying Practices Act provides that persons who fail the examination for licensure as a Registered Professional Land Surveyor (RPLS) are required to wait six months before they are authorized to retake the exam. C.S.S.B. 584 eliminates the six-month waiting period for retaking the examination for licensure as a RPLS.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 16(e), Professional Land Surveying Practices Act (Article 5282c, V.T.C.S.), to provide that an applicant who fails an examination may apply to take a subsequent examination by filing an updated application and paying an additional examination fee not to exceed \$100. Deletes language specifying that an applicant who fails an examination may apply to take a subsequent examination not earlier than six months from the date of the failed examination.

SECTION 2. Provides that the change in law made by this Act to Section 16(e), Professional Land Surveying Practices Act (Article 5282c, V.T.C.S.), applies to a person who fails an examination before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 2. Amends As Filed S.B. 584, Professional Land Surveying Practices Act (Article 5282c, V.T.C.S.), as follows:

- Deletes previously proposed SECTION 2 pertaining to requiring the Texas Board of Professional Land Surveying to expunge the complaint of a registrant or licensee from the records of the board.
- Redesignates proposed SECTION 3 as SECTION 2 and deletes previously proposed text pertaining to changes in law applying to Section 24, Professional Land Surveying Practices Act (Article 5282c, V.T.C.S.) with regard to a complaint filed before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. Redesignated from SECTION 4.