



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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H.B. 236*

131st General Assembly
(As Reported by H. Commerce and Labor)

Reps. Blessing and Landis, Howse

BILL SUMMARY

- Requires a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to complete at least two hours of continuing professional development in professional ethics or rules relevant to the practices of engineering or surveying during each biennial renewal period.
- Allows a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to carry forward to the next biennial renewal period up to two hours of continuing professional development in professional ethics or rules.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Continuing professional development hours

Beginning with registrations expiring on or after December 31, 2017, the bill requires a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to complete at least two of the already required 30 hours of continuing professional development in professional ethics or rules relevant to the practices of engineering or surveying.¹ Under continuing law, a registration as a professional engineer or professional surveyor expires biennially on December 31, following initial registration or renewal. Continuing law requires a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to complete at least 30 hours of continuing professional development during the biennial renewal period unless otherwise exempt. That professional development may include

* This analysis was prepared before the report of the House Commerce and Labor Committee appeared in the House Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

¹ R.C. 4733.151(C).

coursework or activities dealing with technical, ethical, or managerial topics relevant to the practice of engineering or surveying.²

Under continuing law, a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor who completes more than 30 hours of approved coursework or activities in a biennial renewal period may carry forward to the next biennial renewal period a maximum of 15 of the excess hours. The bill allows a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to carry forward to the next biennial renewal period up to two hours of continuing professional development on professional ethics or rules as part of the 15 hour maximum.³

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	06-01-15
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² R.C. 4733.151(A) and (B) and R.C. 4733.15, not in the bill.

³ R.C. 4733.151(E).

