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H.B. No. 153

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the amount of the fee for the registration of an
3 engineering firm.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 1001.204, Occupations Code, is amended
6 by adding a new Subsection (b) and relettering existing Subsections
7 (b) and (c) as Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

8 (b) In establishing the fee for the registration of an
9 engineering firm, the board shall adopt a fee schedule under which:

10 (1) firms are categorized according to the number of
11 engineers employed; and

12 (2) the amount of the fee for a category employing
13 fewer engineers is less than the amount of the fee for a category
14 employing more engineers.

15 (c) Fee revenue may not exceed the amount reasonable and
16 necessary to administer this chapter.

17 (d) [~~(c)~~] General revenue of the state may not be used to
18 pay the costs of administering this chapter in an amount that
19 exceeds the amount of fees received under this chapter.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003, and
21 applies only to a registration fee that becomes due on or after that
22 date. A registration fee that becomes due before the effective date
23 of this Act is governed by the law as it existed immediately before
24 the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in

1 effect for that purpose.