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H.B. No. 2284

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the practice of engineering.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1001.003(c), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The practice of engineering includes:

(1) consultation, investigation, evaluation, analysis, planning, engineering for program management, providing an expert engineering opinion or testimony, engineering for testing or evaluating materials for construction or other engineering use, and mapping;

(2) design, conceptual design, or conceptual design coordination of engineering works or systems, including buildings or related structures;

(3) development or optimization of plans and specifications for engineering works or systems;

(4) planning the use or alteration of land or water or the design or analysis of works or systems for the use or alteration of land or water;

(5) responsible charge of engineering teaching or the teaching of engineering;

(6) performing an engineering survey or study;

(7) engineering for construction, alteration, or repair of real property;

1 (8) engineering for preparation of an operating or
2 maintenance manual;

3 (9) engineering for review of the construction or
4 installation of engineered works to monitor compliance with
5 drawings or specifications;

6 (10) a service, design, analysis, or other work
7 performed for a public or private entity in connection with a
8 utility, structure, building, machine, equipment, process, system,
9 work, project, or industrial or consumer product or equipment of a
10 mechanical, electrical, electronic, chemical, hydraulic,
11 pneumatic, geotechnical, or thermal nature;

12 (11) providing an engineering opinion or analysis
13 related to a certificate of merit under Chapter 150, Civil Practice
14 and Remedies Code; or

15 (12) any other professional service necessary for the
16 planning, progress, or completion of an engineering service.

17 SECTION 2. Section 1051.601(b), Occupations Code, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 (b) This chapter does not prohibit an engineer licensed
20 under Chapter 1001 from:

21 (1) planning and supervising work on:

22 (A) a construction project primarily intended
23 for engineering use, including a railroad, hydroelectric work, or
24 industrial plant; or

25 (B) a structure incidental to a construction
26 project described by Paragraph (A); or

27 (2) planning, designing, or supervising work on the

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1 [~~mechanical, electrical, or structural~~] features of buildings or
2 related structures [~~a building~~].

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.