

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2003 SESSION

CHAPTER 447

An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-2206 of the Code of Virginia, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, relating to professions and occupations; soil scientists; waiver of examination.

[H 2759]

Approved March 16, 2003

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 54.1-2206 of the Code of Virginia, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 54.1-2206. (Effective until July 1, 2004) Waiver of examination.

The Board may waive the requirement for examination pursuant to § 54.1-2205 (i) upon written application from an individual who holds an unexpired certificate or its equivalent issued by a regulatory body of another state, territory or possession of the United States and is not the subject of any disciplinary proceeding before such regulatory body which could result in the suspension or revocation of his certificate, if such other state, territory or possession recognizes the certificates issued by the Board; and (ii) upon written application from an individual who has not been examined in the principles and practice of soil evaluation as required by § 54.1-2205 when such individual has a record of at least ~~ten~~ 10 years of experience in soil evaluation, the quality of which demonstrates to the Board that the applicant is competent to practice as a professional soil scientist. *The provisions of clause (ii) shall expire on July 1, 2004.*

§ 54.1-2206. (Effective July 1, 2004) Waiver of examination.

A. The Board may waive the requirement for examination pursuant to § 54.1-2205 ~~(i)~~ upon written application from an individual who holds an unexpired certificate or its equivalent issued by a regulatory body of another state, territory or possession of the United States and is not the subject of any disciplinary proceeding before such regulatory body which could result in the suspension or revocation of his certificate, if such other state, territory or possession recognizes the certificates issued by the Board; and ~~(ii) upon written application from an individual who has not been examined in the principles and practice of soil evaluation as required by § 54.1-2205 when such individual has a record of at least ten years of experience in soil evaluation, the quality of which demonstrates to the Board that the applicant is competent to practice as a professional soil scientist.~~

B. The Board shall waive the requirement for examination pursuant to § 54.1-2206.2 upon the written application from an individual who (i) holds an unexpired certificate or its equivalent issued by a regulatory body of another state, territory or possession of the United States or has been provisionally certified under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineator Certification Program of 1993 and is not the subject of any disciplinary proceeding before such regulatory body, which could result in the suspension or revocation of his certificate or (ii) has a record of at least ~~ten~~ 10 years of experience in wetland delineation the quality of which demonstrates to the Board that the applicant is competent to practice as a certified professional wetland delineator. This provision shall expire two years after initiation of the program.