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HOUSE BILL NO. 1380

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

LICENSING: Provides for the delinquent renewal of a license issued by the State Board of Home Inspectors

1 AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1479(B), relative to the Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors; to establish penalties for home inspectors who fail to renew their license within the twelve-month period after expiration; to establish penalties for home inspectors who fail to renew their license within the thirty-six-month period following expiration; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 37:1479(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1479. License issuance and renewal; appearance on documents

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B. Any licensee who fails to timely renew his license may thereafter renew by paying the appropriate renewal and delinquent fees, filing a renewal application, and completing all continuing education requirements accruing during the period of delinquency. The period for delinquent renewal of an expired license shall be limited to the twelve-month period immediately following the expiration date of the active license. Failure to renew an expired license during such twelve-month period shall result in forfeiture of renewal rights and shall require the former licensee to apply as an initial applicant and meet all requirements of an initial applicant. require the licensee to pass the board approved licensing examination in addition to paying the appropriate renewal and delinquent fees, filing a renewal application, and

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completing all continuing education requirements accruing during the period of delinquency. Failure to renew an expired license within the thirty-six-month period immediately following the expiration date of the active license shall, in addition to the above requirements, require the licensee to retake and pass ninety hours of classroom education as set forth in the rules and regulations of the board and to take a standards of practice and code of ethics report writing seminar offered by the board or an education provider approved by the board.

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DIGEST

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LeBas HB No. 1380

Abstract: Establishes penalties for home inspectors who fail to renew their license within the twelve-month or thirty-six-month period after expiration of the license.

<u>Present law</u> provides that any licensee who fails to timely renew his license may thereafter renew, within the 12-month period immediately following the expiration date of the active license, by paying the appropriate renewal and delinquent fees, filing a renewal application, and completing all continuing education requirements accruing during the period of delinquency.

<u>Present law</u> further provides that failure to renew an expired license during the 12-month period shall result in forfeiture of renewal rights and shall require the former licensee to apply as an initial applicant and meet all requirements of an initial applicant.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that failure to renew an expired license during the 12-month period shall require the licensee to pass the board approved licensing examination in addition to paying the appropriate renewal and delinquent fees, filing a renewal application, and completing all continuing education requirements accruing during the period of delinquency.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that failure to renew an expired license during the 36-month period immediately following the expiration date of the active license shall also require the licensee to retake and pass 90 hours of classroom education as set forth in the rules and regulations of the La. State Board for Home Inspectors and to take a standards of practice and code of ethics report writing seminar offered by the board or an education provider approved by the board.

(Amends R.S. 37:1479(B))