

Regular Session, 2012
HOUSE BILL NO. 748
BY REPRESENTATIVE PONTI

ACT No. 100

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 37:702(7), relative to the practice of engineering; to provide an exception for
3 the evaluation of oil and gas resources; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 37:702(7) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 §702. Saving clause

7 This Chapter shall not be construed to prevent or to affect:

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9 (7)(a) The practice of evaluation of oil and gas resources, when performed
10 by an engineer in good standing licensed pursuant to this Chapter, and which
11 evaluation includes the quantification of the volume of oil and gas reserves and
12 resources in the subsurface of the earth, the determination of production forecasts for
13 the reserves or resources, and the evaluation of the economic impact of production
14 forecasts, provided such evaluation does not apply to the practice of civil engineering
15 or land surveying, does not involve design, construction, or engineering assessments
16 of any kind on the surface, and does not present a risk to public health or safety.

17 (b) This Paragraph shall not prevent the practice of evaluation of oil and gas
18 resources if the evaluation is performed by a person who is a licensed engineer in
19 good standing practicing within the jurisdiction of his licensure.

20 (c) This Paragraph shall not prevent the application of this Chapter to the
21 practice of evaluation of oil and gas resources if the evaluation is performed by an

1 engineer licensed in a state that prohibits engineers licensed under this Chapter from
2 engaging in the evaluation of oil and gas resources in that state.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____