## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE BILL No. 1226 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY BAKER AND ROTHMAN, MAY 29, 2024

REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, MAY 29, 2024

## AN ACT

1	Amending the act of May 23, 1945 (P.L.913, No.367), entitled "An								
2	act relating to and regulating the practice of the profession of engineering, including civil engineering, mechanical								
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4 5	engineering, electrical engineering, mining engineering and chemical engineering, the profession of land surveying and								
6	the profession of geology and constituent parts and								
7	combinations thereof as herein defined; providing for the								
8	licensing and registration of persons practicing said								
9	profession, and the certification of engineers-in-training								
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12	violation of this act; prescribing the powers and duties of								
13	the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land								
14	Surveyors and Geologists, the Department of State and the								
15 16	courts; prescribing penalties; and repealing existing laws," further providing for exemption from licensure and								
10	registration.								
18	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania								
19	hereby enacts as follows:								
20	Section 1. Section 5(d) of the act of May 23, 1945 (P.L.913,								
21	No.367), known as the Engineer, Land Surveyor and Geologist								
22	Registration Law, is amended and the section is amended by								
23	adding subsections to read:								
24	Section 5. Exemption from Licensure and Registration								
25	Except as specifically provided in this section, this act shall								

1 not be construed to require licensure and registration in the 2 following cases:

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(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (q) of this 4 5 section, the practice of engineering or land surveying by a regular employe, contractor or agent of a public utility 6 7 company, as defined by the Public Utility Code (66 Pa.C.S. § 101 8 et seq.) in connection with the facilities of such public utility, which are subject to regulation by the Pennsylvania 9 10 Public Utility Commission: Provided, That such public utility 11 shall employ at least one professional engineer, as defined in 12 this act, who shall be in responsible charge of such utility's 13 engineering work and shall employ at least one professional land 14 surveyor, as defined in this act, who shall be in responsible 15 charge of such utility's land surveying;

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17 (f.1) The practice of engineering or land surveying by a 18 regulator employe, contractor or agent of an electric 19 cooperative corporation, as defined in 15 Pa.C.S. § 7302 20 (relating to application of chapter), in connection with the 21 facilities of the electric cooperative, provided that the electric cooperative corporation or agent thereof either shall 22 23 employ at least one professional engineer or professional land 24 surveyor or belong to a Pennsylvania electric cooperative association that employs a professional engineer or professional 25 26 land surveyor. \* \* \* 27 28 (1) The practice of engineering, land surveying or geology 29 work by the employes, contractors or agents of a provider of

30 <u>cable service</u>, voice over Internet protocol service, broadband

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1	Internet	access	service	or	any	other	service	delivered	over	а
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2 cable system, a provider of enhanced telecommunications services

3 or a provider of telecommunications services, if those services

4 are not connected with or incidental to engineering, land

- 5 surveying or geology services rendered by the company.
- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.