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## BILL 7

## ENGINEERING AND GEOSCIENCE PROFESSIONS AMENDMENT ACT, 2023

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(Assented to , 2023)

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

#### Amends RSA 2000 cE-11

- 1 The Engineering and Geoscience Professions Act is amended by this Act.
- **2** Section 3(1) is amended by striking out "No individual" and substituting "Subject to section 3.1, no individual".

#### **Explanatory Notes**

- 1 Amends chapter E-11 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.
- **2** Section 3(1) presently reads:
  - 3(1) No individual, corporation, partnership or other entity, except a professional engineer, licensee or permit holder entitled to engage in the practice of engineering, shall
    - (a) use
      - (i) the title "professional engineer", the abbreviation "P. Eng." or any other abbreviation of that title,
      - (ii) the word "engineer" in combination with any other name, title, description, letter, symbol or abbreviation that represents expressly or by implication that the individual, corporation, partnership or other entity is a professional engineer, licensee or permit holder,

or

#### 3 The following is added after section 3:

#### Exemption from section 3(1)(a)(ii)

- **3.1(1)** An individual, corporation, partnership or other entity who
  - (a) is not a professional engineer, licensee or permit holder entitled to engage in the practice of engineering, and
  - (b) uses the word "engineer" in combination with the word "software", or any other words or phrases similar to the phrase "software engineer" as prescribed by regulations made under section 18.1,

is exempt from the application of section 3(1)(a)(ii).

(2) An individual, corporation, partnership or other entity referred to in subsection (1) shall not be considered, only because of using the words or phrases referred to in subsection (1)(b), to represent or hold out, expressly or by implication, that the individual, corporation, partnership or other entity is entitled to engage in the practice of engineering, or is a professional engineer, licensee or permit holder.

#### 4 The following is added before section 19:

#### Ministerial regulations

**18.1** The Minister may make regulations prescribing words or phrases similar to the phrase "software engineer" to be used for the purpose of section 3.1(1)(b).

- (b) represent or hold out, expressly or by implication, that the individual, corporation, partnership or other entity
  - (i) is entitled to engage in the practice of engineering, or
  - (ii) is a professional engineer, licensee or permit holder.
- **3** Exemption from section 3(1)(a)(ii).

4 Ministerial regulations.

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