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Introduced by Rep. VerHeulen

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4585

AN ACT to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and classify the laws of this state regarding the regulation of certain occupations and to regulate certain persons and activities relative to those occupations; to create a board for each of those occupations; to establish the powers and duties of certain departments and agencies and the boards of each occupation; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for certain fees; to provide for penalties and civil fines; to establish rights, relationships, and remedies of certain persons under certain circumstances; to provide immunity from certain civil liability for certain entities and certain related occupations under certain circumstances; to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending sections 2007 and 2008 (MCL 339,2007 and 339,2008), section 2007 as amended by 1992 PA 103.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

- Sec. 2007. (1) When he or she is licensed, a licensee shall obtain or adopt a seal, in a form authorized by the appropriate board, that bears the licensee's name and the legend indicating either "licensed architect", "licensed professional engineer", or "licensed professional surveyor". However, a seal that exists on September 1, 1992 and bears the legend "registered architect", "registered professional engineer", "registered land surveyor", or "licensed land surveyor" is acceptable if a seal is required under state law.
- (2) A licensee shall apply his or her seal and signature to a plan, specification, plat, or report that is issued by the licensee and filed with a public authority. If the licensee of the licensee named on a document has expired or is suspended or revoked, a person shall not apply the licensee's seal or signature to the document unless the license is renewed, reinstated, or reissued.
 - (3) As used in this section and section 2008:
- (a) "Electronic seal" means a seal created by electronic or optical means and affixed electronically to a document or electronic document.
- (b) "Electronic signature" means a signature created by electronic or optical means and affixed electronically to a document or electronic document with intent to sign the document.
 - (c) "Seal" includes an electronic seal.
 - (d) "Signature" includes an electronic signature.

Sec. 2008. (1) A plan, plat, drawing, map, and the title sheet of specifications, an addendum, bulletin, or report or, if a bound copy is submitted, the index sheets of a plan, specification, or report, if prepared by a licensee and required to be submitted to a governmental agency for approval or record, shall carry the embossed, printed, or electronic seal of the person in responsible charge.

- (2) If the overlapping of the professions of architecture and engineering is involved in a project, a licensed architect or licensed professional engineer who seals the plans, drawings, specifications, and reports may perform services in the field of the other practice if the services are incidental to the architectural or engineering project as a whole.
- (3) A licensee shall not seal a plan, drawing, map, plat, report, specification, or other document that is not prepared by the licensee or under the supervision of the licensee as the person in responsible charge.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect upon the expiration of 90 days after the date this amendatory act is enacted into law.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.	Say Exampal
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