

**Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003**

SENATE BILL NO. 2131
(Agriculture Committee)
(At the request of the Board of Registration for Professional Soil Classifiers)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 43-36-14, 43-36-15, and 43-36-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to soil classifier application and registration fees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 43-36-14 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

43-36-14. Application for registration. Application for registration as a professional soil classifier and for certification as a soil classifier-in-training must be on a form prescribed and furnished by the board, must contain statements made under oath showing the applicant's education, a detailed summary of the applicant's experience, and references as required by this chapter and must be accompanied by an application fee established by the board of not less than ~~five~~ fifty nor more than ~~twenty-five~~ two hundred dollars. If the national test is administered, the amount may not exceed five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 43-36-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

43-36-15. Registration fees.

1. The board shall establish registration fees provided:
 - a. The registration fee for in-state professional soil classifiers must be at least ~~twenty~~ fifty dollars but not more than ~~one~~ three hundred dollars.
 - b. The registration fee for in-state soil classifier-in-training certification or enrollment must be at least ~~ten~~ twenty-five dollars but not more than ~~fifty~~ one hundred dollars.
 - c. The registration fee for out-of-state professional soil classifiers must be at least ~~fifty~~ one hundred dollars but not more than ~~one~~ three hundred dollars.
2. If the board denies the issuance of a certificate to an applicant, the board shall retain the application fee.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Section 43-36-16 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

43-36-16. Examinations. Examinations must be held at such times and places as the board determines. Examinations required on fundamental soil subjects may be taken at any time prescribed by the board. The final examinations may not be taken until the applicant has completed a period of soil classifying experience as provided in this chapter. The passing grade on any examination may not be less than seventy percent. A candidate failing one examination may apply for reexamination, which may be granted upon payment of a fee established by the board of not less than ~~ten~~ twenty-five nor more than ~~twenty-five~~ fifty dollars. Any candidate for registration having an average grade of less than fifty percent may not apply for reexamination for a period of one year from the date of such examination.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2131.

Senate Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 2 Absent 0

House Vote: Yeas 64 Nays 29 Absent 1

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2003.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2003.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2003,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State