

**HB 1958 - DIGEST**

Provides that an engineer must be registered as a structural engineer in order to provide structural engineering services for significant structures.

Allows the board to waive the requirements of this act until December 31, 2009, if: (1) On January 1, 2007, the engineer is registered with the board as a professional engineer; and

(2) Within two years of January 1, 2007, the engineer demonstrates to the satisfaction of the board that the engineer has sufficient experience in the duties typically provided by a professional structural engineer regarding significant structures.

Provides that "significant structures" include: (1) Structures housing, supporting, or containing sufficient quantities of explosive substances to be of danger to the safety of the public if released;

(2) Essential facilities that have a ground area of more than five thousand square feet and are more than twenty feet in mean roof height above average ground level.