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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 106TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1570, L.D. 2000, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to the Certification and Regulation of Geologists and Soil Scientists."

Amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§4909." by striking out all of subsection 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

- '2. As a geologist, be qualified by either education or experience, or both, pursuant to the rules and regulations for certification to be established by the board; as a soil scientist, be qualified pursuant to either of the following:
 - A. Graduation and experience. A graduate of an approved 4-year college curriculum, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, in which the applicant has successfully completed a minimum of 15 credit hours of soil or soil-related courses of a pedological nature; and with a specific record of an additional 3 years or more of experience in soil science of a grade and character which indicates to the board that the applicant may be competent to practice as a soil scientist; and be otherwise qualified. Teaching pedologic courses in a college or university offering an approved 4-year soil science or agronomic curriculum should be considered as experience in soil investigations,

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B. Long established practice. An applicant with an experience record of at least 8 years of actual practice in pedology, and of a grade and character which indicates to the board that the applicant may be competent to practice soil investigations, may at the discretion of the board, be registered to engage in the practice of soil science in this State, providing he is otherwise qualified.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the requirements for qualification as a geologist.

Filed by Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake.

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