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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to fees; amending s. 471.011, F.S.; 3 authorizing the Board of Professional Engineers to 4 establish fees relating to professional structural 5 engineer licensing; amending s. 471.015, F.S.; 6 requiring applicants to pay a specified fee in order 7 to be eligible to receive a professional structural 8 engineer license; providing a contingent effective 9 date. 10

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsections (1) and (6) of section 471.011, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

471.011 Fees.-

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(1) The board by rule may establish fees to be paid for applications, examination, reexamination, licensing and renewal, inactive status application and reactivation of inactive licenses, and recordmaking and recordkeeping. The board may also establish by rule a delinquency fee. The board shall establish fees that are adequate to ensure the continued operation of the board. Fees shall be based on department estimates of the revenue required to implement this chapter and the provisions of law with respect to the regulation of engineers and professional structural engineers.

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(6) The fee for a temporary registration or certificate to practice engineering or professional structural engineering shall not exceed \$25 for an individual or \$50 for a business firm.

Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 471.015, Florida Statutes, as amended by HB 375, 2022 Regular Session, is amended to read:

471.015 Licensure.

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- (3)(a) The management corporation shall issue a professional structural engineer license to any applicant whom the board certifies as qualified to practice professional structural engineering and who meets all of the following requirements:
- 1. Is licensed under this chapter as an engineer or is qualified for licensure as an engineer.
- 2. Submits an application in the format prescribed by the board.
- 3. Provides satisfactory evidence of good moral character, as defined by the board.
- 4. Provides a record of 4 years of active structural engineering experience, as defined by the board, under the supervision of a licensed professional engineer.
- 5. Has successfully passed the 16-hour National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying Structural Engineering examination.

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6. Pays a fee established by the board under s. 471.011. Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date that HB 375 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law.

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