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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 742

Chairperson: Joel Johnson
Committee: Health and Human Services
Date of Hearing: February 27, 2008

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

We live in an increasingly complex world. Engineers are requiring a greater body of knowledge in order to address the problems they must solve. The traditional four-year degree is insufficient to provide the necessary educational background for a certificate of licensure.

The appropriate qualifications for licensure should include graduation from either (1) a baccalaureate-level engineering curriculum with an additional thirty credit hours of upper-level undergraduate coursework or graduate-level coursework, or (2) a masters-level engineering curriculum. LB 742 would require that on and after January 1, 2015, this additional educational requirement would go into effect.

LB 742 would also delete obsolete language contained in section 81-3451(3) (b) which terminated on January 1, 2005.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Joel T. Johnson