

## **130th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

## **FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2021**

Legislative Document	No. 11
S.P. 18	In Senate, January 13, 2021

## An Act To Clarify the Laws Regarding Reciprocity for Licensure of **Professional Engineers**

Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on January 11, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

h GT

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1352-A, sub-§1, ¶A-1 is enacted to read:
3	A-1. An applicant for licensure by endorsement or comity who provides proof that the
4	applicant is a licensed professional engineer in good standing in another state, territory
5	or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or any foreign country who
6	has been licensed under qualifications that in the opinion of the board are substantially
7	equivalent to the requirements in this chapter may be licensed without additional
8	qualifications in accordance with this paragraph. The board, giving due consideration
9	to the protection of the public, may waive additional qualifications if an applicant
10	seeking licensure under this paragraph has practiced as a licensed professional engineer
11	for a minimum of 8 years and has never been subject to disciplinary action in this or
12	any other jurisdiction.
13	SUMMARY
14	This bill allows the State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers to grant
15	licensure to applicants who have been licensed in good standing in another jurisdiction with
16	substantially equivalent qualifications to this State if the applicant has been licensed for at

substantially equivalent qualifications to this State if the applic
least 8 years and has never been subject to disciplinary action.