

Former Art. 56, § 330(d) and Art. 75 1/2, § 2(c) defined the terms "professional land surveyor" and "professional engineer" to mean an individual who is registered with the respective Board. In effect, the word "professional" was synonymous with the word "registered" or, under the revised terminology, the word "licensed". In most instances, the Business Occupations Article Review Committee would conform the former terminology to that generally used throughout the Code for comparable licensing provisions, and the terms "licensed land surveyor" and "licensed engineer" would be substituted for the terms "professional land surveyor" and "professional engineer". In these instances, however, the Committee determined that the terms are so firmly established in the professions that the terms should not be changed now for the sake of uniformity with other licensing laws. Therefore, the terms "professional land surveyor" and "professional engineer" are retained in the revision.

Throughout this article, the term "unit" is substituted for the former references such as "department", "agency", "board", and "commission", except when a former reference indicated a specific entity. The term "unit" is used as the general term for an organization in a government because the term is broad enough to include all such entities.

Throughout this article, references to current units and positions are substituted for obsolete references to entities that have been abolished or otherwise ceased to exist.

In this article, the word "regulation" is substituted for the former references to "rules and regulations" to distinguish, to the extent possible, between regulations of executive units and rules of judicial or legislative units and to establish consistency in the use of these words. This substitution conforms to the practice of the Division of State Documents. See the revisor's note to SG § 10-101(e).

Also throughout this article, for consistency and to avoid unnecessary confusion, the singular verb "adopt" is used in relation to rules or regulations and verbs such as "prescribe" and "promulgate" are deleted. Regulations, in any event, are subject to Title 10, Subtitle 1 of the State Government Article.

In the "Membership" sections of this article, there is a subsection captioned "Tenure; vacancies". A standard paragraph included in each of those subsections provides that a "member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies". That paragraph applies: (1) when a successor is appointed to replace a member who has died, resigned, or failed for any other reason to complete a term; (2) when a member is appointed to succeed a member who has "held over" to part of the next term, pending the delayed appointment and qualification of the successor; or (3) when, in any other situation, a member takes office after a